WESTMINSTER.

27th January 1916.

By virtue of His Majesty's Commission under the Great Seal, and in obedience to His Majesty's Commands, Parliament was prorogued on the above-mentioned day to Tuesday the Fifteenth day of February next, to be then here holden.
Tuesday, 15th February 1916.

Prayers at Two of the clock.

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 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 resumed the Chair at Four of the clock.

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

- Aberdare and Aberaman Gas
- Burnley Corporation
- Canada Company
- Colchester Gas
- Ferndale Gas
- Hornsey Gas
- Imperial Continental Gas Association
- Newcastle-upon-Tyne and Gateshead Gas
- River Glen
- South Eastern and London, Chatham, and Dover Railways
- Swansea Harbour
- Van Diemen's Land Company
- Weston-super-Mare Grand Pier
- Yeadon Water

Mr. Speaker acquainted the House that he had issued, during the Recess, a 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 for the County of Louth (North Division), in the room of Augustine Roche, Esquire, deceased.

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, or endeavoured so to be, by Bribery, or any other corrupt practices, this House will proceed with the utmost severity against all such persons as shall have been wilfully concerned in such Bribery or other corrupt practices.

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

Resolved, That if it shall appear that any person 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 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, and 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 purused 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.

Ordered, That a Committee of Privileges be appointed.

A Bill for the more effectual preventing clandestine Outlawries was read the first time; and ordered to be read a second time.

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 Peregine 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 persons as shall be licensed by Mr. Speaker; and that no other person do presume to print the same.

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 Standing Order No. 95:—

Trade Reports (Annual Series).
Copies of Diplomatic and Consular Reports, Annual Series, Nos. 5555 to 5563.

Mail on Neutral Vessels (Miscellaneous Nos. 5, 6, 1916).

Von Papen's Papers (Miscellaneous Nos. 6, 1916).

Copy of Selection from Papers found in the possession of Captain Von Papen, late German Military Attaché at Washington. Falmouth, 2nd and 3rd January 1916.

Agriculture (Scotland).

Railway Accidents.
Copy of Summary of Accidents and Casualties reported to the Board of Trade by the several Railway Companies in the United Kingdom, during the three months ending 30th September 1915; together with Reports to the Board of Trade by the Inspecting Officers upon certain Accidents which were inquiries into.

Copy of Report of a Sub-Committee of the British Trade Advisory Committee to the Board of Trade after the War on Commercial Intelligence with respect to measures for securing the position, after the War, of certain branches of British Industry.


Copy of Report of the Health of Munition Munitions Workers Committee on Employment of Women (Memorandum No. 4).

Copy of Report of the Health of Munition Workers Committee on Hours of Work (Memorandum No. 5).

Copy of Introduction and Part I. of the Land Settlement for the Land Settlement or Employment on the Land in England and Wales of discharged Sailors and Soldiers.

Copy of Report of the Committee on War Loans for Small Investors.

Copy of Third Report of the Committee on Public Retrenchment in the Public Expenditure.

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

Mr. Secretary Samuel presented, by His Majesty's Command,—Copy of Report to the Executive Committee of the National Relief Fund on the administration of the Fund up to the 30th September 1915.

Mr. Secretary Samuel also presented, pursuant to Shops Act, 1912, by the Councils of the local authorities, and confirmed by the Secretary of State for the Home Department:—

Boroughs of Haslingden and Tynemouth.

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

Mr. Arthur Henderson presented, pursuant to College the directions of several Acts of Parliament,—Copy of Application received from the Right Honourable the Viscount Ridley and others, for the grant of a Charter to "The Trinity College of Music," London, referred by His Majesty in Council for the consideration and report of a Committee of His Majesty's Most Honourable Privy Council, together with a Copy of the Draft of the Charter applied for.

Copy of Order in Council, dated 3rd February 1916, under the Government of India Act, 1915, India Act, 1871, approving certain alterations in and additions to the Establishment of the Secretary of State for India in Council.

Copy of Order in Council, dated 27th March 1916, directing that the Officer for the time being as District Officer, Tawar, North Borneo, shall in the State of North Borneo exercise the functions of a British Consular Officer under the Merchant Shipping Acts.

Copy of Order in Council under the Merchant Shipping Act, 1894, and the Mersey Channels Act, 1897, dated 27th January 1916, making Rules for the Channels and the steps for avoiding Collisions to be taken by Vessels navigating the River Mersey and
Consolidated Fund; the money borrowed and the securities created in respect thereof; and the expenditure under the Post Office (London) Railway Act, 1915, for the period ended 31st March 1916.

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

Mr. Tennant presented, pursuant to the Army directions of an Act of Parliament,—Copy of (Territorial Forces) Scheme made by the Army Council for the establishment and constitution of an Association for the County of Renfrew, under the Territorial and Reserve Forces Act, 1907.

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 Return to the Lord Chancellor of Lunacy, the number of Visits made and the number of Patients seen by the several Commissioners in Lunacy during the six months ending on the 31st December 1915.

Copy of Rules of the Supreme Court, dated 31st January 1916.

Copy of First Annual Report of the Board of Control under the Lunacy and Mental Deficiency Act, 1913. Part I.


The Order made upon the 27th day of January 1915, in the last Session of Parliament, That the Paper relative to Spontaneous Combustion of Coal in Mines (Departmental Committee) do lie upon the Table, was read and discharged.

Ordered, That the said Paper be withdrawn.

(Mr. Secretary Samuel.)

Mr. Speaker reported, That the House had been at the House of Peers, at the desire of the Lords Commissioners appointed under the Great Seal for holding this present Parliament, and that the Lord High Chancellor, being one of the said Commissioners, delivered His Majesty's Most Gracious Speech to both Houses of Parliament in pursuance of His Majesty's Commands, and of which Mr. Speaker said he had, for greater accuracy, obtained a Copy; which he read to the House, as followeth:

My Lords, and Gentlemen,

It has been My duty to summon you after a short Recess to renew your deliberations. The spirit of My allies and of My people, who are united in this conflict by ever-strengthening ties of sympathy and understanding, remains steadfast in the resolve to secure reparation for the victims of unprovoked and unjustifiable outrage, and effectual safeguards for all nations, against the aggression of a Power which mistakes force for right and expediency for honour.

With a proud and grateful confidence I look to the courage, tenacity, and resource of My Navy and Army, on whom we depend worthily to perform our part in the attainment of this goal.

Mr. Acland presented, pursuant to the directions of several Acts of Parliament,— Copies of Orders under the Destructive Insects and Pests Acts, numbered D.I.P. 353 and 354, declaring the respective areas described in the schedules thereto, and infected areas for the purposes of the Wart Disease of Potatoes (Infected Areas) Order of 1914.

Mr. Secretary Pease presented, pursuant to the directions of an Act of Parliament,—Copy of Account showing the money issued out of the Post Office (London) Railway Act, 1913.

Mr. Acland presented, pursuant to the directions of several Acts of Parliament,— Copies of Two Orders in Council, dated 27th January and 3rd February 1918, made under the Naval and Marine Pay and Pensions Act, 1865.


Copy of Order of the Privy Council, dated 31st March 1915.

Copy of Order 9691, under the Diseases of Animals Acts, entitled the Bristol (Avonmouth Dock) Foreign Animals Wharf Order of 1916, defining a Foreign Animal Wharf as described in the Schedule thereto, and revoking the Bristol (Avonmouth Dock) Foreign Animals Wharf Order of 1915.

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

Mr. Joseph Pease presented, pursuant to the directions of an Act of Parliament,—Copy of Account showing the money issued out of the Post Office (London) Railway Act, 1913.
My Lords, and Gentlemen,

The only measures which will be submitted to you are such as, in the opinion of My advisers, tend to the attainment of our common object.

I confidently commend them to your patriotism and loyalty, and I pray that the Almighty will give His blessing to your counsels.

King's speech

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

Most Gracious Sovereign,

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

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 to-morrow.

Adjournment.

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

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

Wednesday, 16th February 1916.

PRAYERS.

Mr. Speaker laid upon the Table,—Report from the Examiners of Petitions for Private Bills, That in respect of the Bills comprised in the Order 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.:

Aberdare and Aberaman Gas.
Burnley Corporation.
Canada Company.
Colchester Gas.
Ferndale Gas.
Hornsey Gas.
Imperial Continental Gas Association.
Newcastle-upon-Tyne and Gateshead Gas.
River Glen.
South Eastern and London, Chatham, and Dover Railways.
Swansea Harbour.
Van Diemen's Land Company.
Weston-super-Mare Grand Pier.
Yealand Water.

Borough of Liverpool (East Toxteth Division), in the room of Edward Marshall Hall, Esquire, King's Counsel, who, since his Election for the said borough, hath accepted the Office of Recorder of Guildford.—(Mr. Bridgeman.)

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 Tyrone (South Tyrone), in the room of Andrew Long Hornor, Esquire, King's Counsel, deceased.—(Sir John Lansdale.)

A Petition of the Trustees of the British Museum being offered to be presented.—(Mr. Museum.

Lewis Harcourt:)

Mr. Lewis Harcourt, by His Majesty's Command, acquainted the House that His Majesty, having been informed of the contents of the said Petition, recommends it to the consideration of the House.

Then the said Petition was brought up, and read; setting forth, That the only funds belonging to your Petitioners for the support of the British Museum consist of thirty thousand pounds two and a half per cent. Consolidated Annuities, the annual dividends whereof amount for 1916–17 to seven hundred and fifty pounds; of a bequest of Francis Henry eighth Earl of Bridgewater, the annual proceeds of which amount to about three hundred and sixty-five pounds; of a bequest of Charles Baron Farnborough, the annual proceeds of which amount to about seventy-two pounds; and also of a fund bequeathed by the late Mr. Charles Drury Edward Portman, until lately invested in Metropolitan Consolidated three and a half per Cent., and amounting at the present time to eighteen hundred and seventy pounds cash; that the establishment is necessarily attended with an expense far beyond the annual produce of the above-mentioned sums, and the Trust cannot with benefit to the public be carried on without the aid of Parliament; your Petitioners therefore humbly pray your Honourable House to grant them such further support towards enabling them to carry on the execution of the Trust necessarily attended with an expense far beyond the annual produce of the above-mentioned sums, and the Trust cannot with benefit to the public be carried on without the aid of Parliament; your Petitioners therefore humbly pray your Honourable House to grant them such further support towards enabling them to carry on the execution of the Trust

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

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

Ordered, That the Paper relative to the Military Service Act, 1916, which was presented upon the 15th day of this instant February, be printed.

Ordered, That the Paper relative to Lunacy and Mental Deficiency, which was presented upon the 15th day of this instant February, be printed.

Mr. Secretary Samuel also presented, by His Police Majesty's Command.—Copy of Report of the Commissioner of Police of the Metropolitan for the year 1914.

Mr. Secretary Samuel also presented, pursuant to the directions of an Act of Parliament, 1912.—Copy of Order made under the Shops Act, 1912, by the Council of the undermentioned Local Authority, and confirmed by the Secretary of State for the Home Department—

City of Bradford.
Ordered, That the said Papers do lie upon the Table.


Copy of Order in Council under the Military Service Act, 1916, dated 15th February 1916, amending the Military Service (Regulations) Order, 1916, so far as it relates to Scotland.

Copy of Order in Council under the Navy and Marine (Property of Deceased) Act, 1865, dated 15th February 1916, cancelling Clause 20 of the Order in Council dated the 28th day of December 1864, and substituting a new Clause therefor.

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

Mr. Montagu presented, pursuant to the directions of several Acts of Parliament,—Appropriation Account for Army Services for 1914–15, with the Report of the Comptroller and Auditor General thereon, and upon the Store Accounts of the Army.

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 the Statement of the surpluses and deficits upon the Grants for the year ended 31st March 1915; together with the Report of the Comptroller and Auditor General thereon.

Annual Accounts of the Royal Army Clothing Factory for the year 1914–15, with the Report of the Comptroller and Auditor General thereon, and upon the Store Accounts of the Navy.

Copy of the Appropriation Account of the Army for 1914–15, with the Report of the Comptroller and Auditor General thereon, and upon the Store Accounts of the Navy.

Copy of Account of the Imperial Ottoman Guaranteed Loan of 1862 for the year 1915.

Copy of Provisional Regulations, dated 5th February 1916, made by the Welsh Insurance Commissioners, entitled the National Health Insurance (Deposit Contributors' Administration Expenses) Regulations (Wales), 1916.

Copy of Provisional Regulations, dated 7th February 1916, made by the Irish Insurance Commissioners, entitled the National Health Insurance (Deposit Contributors' Administration Expenses) Regulations (Ireland), 1916.

Copy of Regulations, dated 26th January 1916, made by the Irish Insurance Commissioners, entitled the National Health Insurance (Decision of Questions) Regulations (Ireland), 1916.

Ordered, That the said Papers do lie upon the Table; and that the Papers relative to the Army, Navy, and National Health Insurance be printed.

Mr. Lloyd George presented, pursuant to the directions of an Act of Parliament,—Copy of the Munitions (Leaving Certificate) Rules, 1916, made by the Minister of Munitions under Section 5 of the Munitions of War (Amendment) Act, 1916, with respect to Leaving Certificates.

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:

Accounts 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 1915; together with the Report of the Comptroller and Auditor General thereon.

Ordered, That the said Paper be printed.

Ordered, That there be laid before this House an Account of the Income and Expenditure Museum of the British Museum (Special Trust Funds) for the year ending the 31st day of March 1916, and Return of the number of persons admitted to visit the Museum and the British Museum (Natural History) in each year from 1910 to 1915, both years inclusive; together with a Statement of the progress made in the arrangement and description of the Collections, and an Account of objects added to them in the year 1915.—(Mr. Lewis Harcourt.)

A Motion was made, and the Question being put, That the words "thirty-first day of March" be there inserted:—It passed in the Negative.

And the Question being put, That the words "thirty-first day of March" be there inserted:—It was resolved in the Affirmative.

Then the Main Question, so amended, being put:

Ordered, That, until the thirty-first day of March no Public Bills other than Government Bills be introduced, and no Ballot be taken for determining the precedence of such Bills—(The Prime Minister), 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.

Then the Main Question, so amended, being put:

Ordered, That, until the thirty-first day of March no Public Bills other than Government Bills be introduced, and no Ballot be taken for determining the precedence of such Bills.

The Order of the day being read, for resuming King's Speech the adjourned Debate on the Question proposed (Motion for an Address);

Ordered, That the said Papers do lie upon the 15th day of this instant February, 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;

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

An Amendment was proposed to be made to Air Services, the Question, by adding at the end thereof the words "That this House humbly regrets that no mention is made in the Gracious Speech from the Throne of any proposals for placing the air services of the country on a firmer and stronger basis."—(Mr. Jynnings-Hicks.)
And the Question being proposed, That those words be there added:—The said proposed Amendment was, with leave of the House, withdrawn.

And the Main Question being again proposed;

Another Amendment was proposed to be made to the Question, by adding at the end thereof the words "But regret that there is no mention of any intention on the part of the Government to accept responsibility for the payment of pensions and allowances to all soldiers and sailors discharged from the Army and Navy on account of disease contracted or developed during service with the colours." (Mr. William Thorne.)

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

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

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

Ordered, That the Debate be resumed to-morrow.

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

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

Thursday, 17th February, 1916.

PRAYERS.

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A BILL to amend the Alexandra (Newport and South Wales) Docks and Railway Act, 1906, and for other purposes, was presented, and read the first time; and ordered to be read a second time.

A Bill for incorporating and conferring powers on the Beighton and District Gas Company, was presented, and read the first time; and ordered to be read a second time.

A Bill to extend the time limited by the Cardiff Railway Acts for the purchase of certain lands, 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 limited for the repayment of money borrowed under the authority of the City of Dublin Steam Packet Company's Act, 1895, and to make other provisions in relation thereto; to enable the City of Dublin Steam Packet Company to borrow further moneys, and for other purposes, was presented, and read the first time; and ordered to be read a second time.

A Bill for granting additional powers to the Colonial Bank was presented, and read the first time; and ordered to be read a second time.

A Bill to empower the Folkestone and District Gas and Coke Company to acquire the undertaking of the Hythe and Sandwich Gas Company; extend the limits of supply of the Company; to provide for the conversion of the existing capital of the Company, and for other purposes, was presented, and read the first time; and ordered to be read a second time.

A Bill to extend the times limited by the Metropolitan Electric Tramways Act, 1911, and the Metropolitan Electric Tramways (Railless Traction) Act, 1915, for the exercise of certain powers by the Metropolitan Electric Tramways Limited, and the Middlesex County Council, 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 Northwich Gas Company to the Urban District Council of Northwich, and to confer upon the Council further powers in relation 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 confer further powers on the Plymouth and Stonehouse Gas Light and Coke Company; to make further provision with reference to the utilisation and conversion of products arising from the manufacture of gas and the distillation of tar, and for other purposes, was presented, and read the first time; and ordered to be read a second time.

A Bill to authorise the sale of the Church of Saint John's, in Victoria Square, in the City and County of Kingston-upon-Hull, with the site thereof, and the application of the proceeds of the sale to the provision of a new church, and for other purposes, was presented, and read the first time; and ordered to be read a second time.

A Bill to authorise the South Metropolitan Gas 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 extend the limits for the supply of water by the Mayor, Aldermen, and Burgess of the Borough of Tynemouth, to authorise them to construct additional waterworks, and to confer further powers upon them with respect to their water undertaking; to make further provision for the health, local government, and improvement of the borough, and for other purposes, was presented, and read the first time; and ordered to be read a second time.

A Bill to provide for the transfer of the Uxbridge undertaking of the Eton Gas Company to the Gas Bill, Uxbridge Gas Company; to extend the limits of supply of the latter 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 Mayor, Aldermen, Wakefield Citizens of the City of Wakefield to construct further waterworks; to extend the time for constructing certain authorised waterworks; to make further provision with regard to their water undertaking, and for other purposes, was presented, and read the first time; and ordered to be read a second time.

Mr. Montagu presented, by His Majesty's Navy and Command,—Supplementary Estimate of the Army Services for Operations, ending 31st March, 1916 for general Navy and other
Army Services, Warlike Operations, and other Expenditure arising out of the War.

Estimate of the amount required to be voted for general Navy and Army Services, Warlike Operations, and other Expenditure arising out of the War (Vote of Credit, 1916-17).

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

Mr. Secretary Samuel presented, by His Majesty's Command,—Copy of Final Report of the Commissioners appointed to inquire into Venereal Diseases, with Appendix (Minutes of Evidence, 27th April 1914 to 21st June 1915).

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, numbered D.I.P. 351, 352, and 355 to 357, inclusive, declaring the respective areas described in the Schedules thereto to be infected with Warlike Disease, and infected areas for the purposes of the War Disease of Potatoes (Infected Areas) Order of 1914.

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

Mr. Balfour presented, pursuant to the 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 Banks Act, 1866, and the application of the interest or dividends accruing in respect thereof; and of the proceeds of any sale of any stocks, annuities, or securities, during the financial year 1914-15.

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

Ordered, That there be laid before this House a Return of Deaths in England and Wales in the year 1915 upon which a coroner's jury has returned a verdict of Death from Starvation or Starvation or Starvation, as the case may be, after inquest.

Ordered, That the said 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;

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

Another Amendment was proposed to be made Merchant to the Question, by adding at the end thereof the words “But this House humbly regrets that Your Majesty’s Government have not taken measures to utilise economically the available merchant tonnage of the country, by placing it under the control of a central expert authority, with full power to requisition and direct the movements of all vessels and fix and limit remuneration for transport services of all kinds during the war.”—(Mr. Peto.)

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 Volunteer to the Question, by adding at the end thereof the words “But this House humbly regrets that no reference is made to making provision for the recognition and status of volunteer training corps duly affiliated to the Central Association of Volunteer Training Corps, and whose services are offered through that association.”—(Mr. Samuel Roberts.)

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

And the Main Question being again proposed:

And the House having continued to sit till Twelve of the clock on Friday morning;

Mr. Speaker called the attention of the House to tedious repetition on the part of Mr. Ginnell, Member for North Westmeath, and directed the honourable Member to resume his seat.

Ordered, That the proceedings on the King’s Business of Speech (Motion for an Address), if under discussion at Eleven of the clock this night, be not interrupted under the Standing Order (Motion for Sittings of the House).—(The Prime Minister.)

The Order of the day being read, for resuming the adjourned Debate on the Question proposed upon the 15th day of this instant February, 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 this House, at its rising this day, do adjourn till Monday next. — (The Prime Minister.)

The House resumed the said adjourned Debate.

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

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 twelve minutes after Twelve of the clock on Friday morning, till Monday next, pursuant to the Resolution of the House of this day.

Monday, 21st February 1916.

PRAYERS.

King's Speech (Answer to Address.)

THE Vice-Chamberlain of the Household reported to the House, That His Majesty, having been attended with their Address of the 17th day of this instant February, 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 Petition of the Trustees of the British Museum for a Grant in Aid, which was presented upon the 16th day of this instant February, be referred to the Committee of Supply.—(Mr. Harcourt.)

Mr. Secretary Banor Law presented, by His Majesty's Command,—Copy of Colonial Report, No. 874 (British Guiana, Report for 1914-15).

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

Mr. Secretary Samuel presented, pursuant to the directions of an Act of Parliament,—Copy of Order made under the Shops Act, 1912, by the Council of the undermentioned Local Authority, and confirmed by the Secretary of State for the Home Department:—County of Chester (Urban District of Marple).

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

Mr. Montagu presented, by His Majesty's Command,—Estimate of further sum required to be voted for the Civil Services for the year ending 31st March 1916.

Mr. Montagu also presented,—Return to an Order, dated the 17th day of this instant February, for a Return relative to the National Gallery.

Mr. Montagu also presented, pursuant to the directions of an Act of Parliament,—Copy of Special Order, dated 24th January 1916, made by the National Health Insurance Joint Committee and the Scottish Insurance Commissioners, entitled the National Health Insurance (Special Employer's Custom) Order (Scotland), 1915 (No. 2).

Copy of Regulations, dated 4th February 1916, made by the Scottish Insurance Commissioners, entitled the National Health Insurance (Appointment of Representatives of Insured Persons on Insurance Committees) Amendment Regulations (Scotland), 1916.

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

Mr. Acland presented, pursuant to the Diseases of Directions of an Act of Parliament,—Copy of Animals Acts Order 9679, under the Diseases of Animals Acts, dated 12th February 1916, defining a Foreign Animals Quarantine Station at Whale Island Pier, Portsmouth Harbour.

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


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Mr. Birrell presented, pursuant to the directions of several Acts of Parliament,—Copies of Orders made under the Poor Relief (Ireland) (Ireland.) Acts by the Local Government Board for Ireland.

Copy of Statute VI. of University College, Cork, under the Irish Universities Act, 1908.

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

Mr. Runciman presented, by His Majesty's Command,—Copy of Report of the London Traffic Board, Branch of the Board of Trade, 1915.

Mr. Runciman also presented, pursuant to the directions of an Act of Parliament,—Copy of Report by the Board of Trade of their proceedings under the General Pier and Harbour Acts, 1861.

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

Mr. Lloyd George presented, by His Majesty's Munitions Command,—Copy of Report by the Health of Munitions Workers Committee on Canteen Construction and Equipment.

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

Mr. Balfour presented, by His Majesty's Command,—Estimate of further sum required to be voted for the Navy for the service of the year ending 31st March 1916.

Mr. Balfour also presented, pursuant to the directions of an Act of Parliament,—Accounts of the Receipt and Expenditure of the capital of the Greenwich Hospital and of the income derived from the Lums and other property held for the benefit of Greenwich Hospital, and the Foundation of Samuel Travers, Esquire, for the year ended on 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; and that the said Esti-
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.)

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 Ways and Means.

Ordered, That the Report be received to-morrow.

The House accordingly resolved itself into the said Committee.

Ordered, That the Committee may have leave to sit again.

Ordered, That the Committee had come to several Resolutions.

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

Ordered, That the Report be received to-morrow.

The Chairman of Ways and Means also acquainted the House that 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. Beckett.)

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

Tuesday, 22nd February 1916.

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 County of Worcester (Mid or Droitwich Division) in the room of Major the Honourable John Cavendish Lyttelton, who, since his Election for the said county, hath accepted the Office of Steward or Bailiff of His Majesty's Manor of Northstead, in the County of York.—(Mr. Bridgeman.)

Ordered, That the Alexandra (Newport and South Wales) Dock and Railway Bill be read a second time upon Thursday next.
Ordered, That the Beighton and District Gas Bill be read a second time upon Thursday next.

Ordered, That the Cardiff Railway Bill be read a second time upon Thursday next.

Ordered, That the City of Dublin Steam Packet Company Bill be read a second time upon Thursday next.

Ordered, That the Colonial Bank Bill be read a second time upon Thursday next.

Ordered, That the Folkestone Gas Bill be read a second time upon Thursday next.

Ordered, That the Metropolitan Electric Tramways Bill be read a second time upon Thursday next.

Ordered, That the Northwich Urban District Council (Gas) Bill be read a second time upon Thursday next.

Ordered, That the Plymouth and Stonehouse Gas Bill be read a second time upon Thursday next.

Ordered, That the Saint John's Church, Kingston-upon-Hull, Bill be read a second time upon Thursday next.

Ordered, That the South Metropolitan Gas Bill be read a second time upon Thursday next.

Ordered, That the Tynemouth Corporation Bill be read a second time upon Thursday next.

Ordered, That the Uxbridge Gas Bill be read a second time upon Thursday next.

Ordered, That the Wakefield Corporation Bill be read a second time upon Thursday next.

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

Mr. Birrell presented, pursuant to the Intermediate directions of an Act of Parliament,—Copy of Education amended Rules as to the constitution and procedure of the Registration Council made under the Intermediate Education (Ireland) Act, 1914.

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

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 1916.—(Mr. Ruasiman.)

Ordered, That the proceedings on Government Business be not interrupted this night under the Standing Order (Sittings of the House), and may be entered upon at any time though opposed.—(The Prime Minister.)

A Motion was made, and the Question being proposed, That, until the House otherwise determines, 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;

(5) All Select Committees, including Committees on Private Bills, shall have power to sit on Friday, and, if the House adjourns from Thursday or Friday till the following Tuesday, on Monday, notwithstanding the adjournment of the House;

(6) Whenever the House adjourns from Thursday to the following Tuesday, Members desiring to 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;

(7) 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—(The Prime Minister);

The Question was amended, in l. 23, by inserting, after the word “following,” the words “Monday or;” in l. 25, by inserting, after the word “a,” the word “Monday;” in 1. 29, by inserting, after the word “following,” the words “Monday and—(The Prime Minister)—and,
in l. 31, by inserting, after the word “following,” the words “Monday or.—(Mr. Aneurin Williams).” And the Main Question, so amended, 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;

(5) All Select Committees, including Committees on Private Bills, shall have power to sit on Friday, and, if the House adjourns from Thursday or Friday till the following Tuesday, on Monday, notwithstanding the adjournment of the House;

(6) Whenever the House adjourns from Thursday to the following Monday or Tuesday, Members desiring to give Notice of Questions for oral answer on a Monday, 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 Monday and Tuesday, or Wednesday, respectively, and be printed and circulated with the Votes;

(7) Whenever the House adjourns from Thursday to the following Monday or 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.

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Mr. Rea reported from the Committee of Supply [21st February] Supply of the 21st day of this instant February several Resolutions; which were read, as follow:

Supplementary Vote of Credit, 1915-16.

1. That a Supplementary sum not exceeding Supplementary £120,000,000 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 conduction 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.

Vote of Credit, 1916-17.

2. That a sum not exceeding £300,000,000 be Vote of Credit, 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 1917 for general Navy and Army Services, in so far as specific provision is not made therefor by Parliament; for the conduction 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.

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

Mr. Rea reported from the Committee of Ways and Means [21st February] 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 1916, the sum of £120,000,000 be granted out of the Consolidated Fund of the United Kingdom.

2. 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 1917, the sum of £300,000,000 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 Consolidated said Resolutions: And that the Chairman of WAYS and MEANS, Mr. Chancellor of the Exchequer, and Mr. Montagu do prepare and bring in it.

Mr. Montagu accordingly presented a Bill to Consolidated Fund (No. 1) apply certain sums out of the Consolidated Fund of the United Kingdom to the service of the years ending on the thirty-first day of March, one thousand nine hundred and sixteen and one thousand nine hundred and seventeen: And the same was read the first time, c 3
Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time to-morrow.

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

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

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

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

Ordered, That the Committee of Public Accounts do consist of Fifteen Members.

The Committee was accordingly nominated of Mr. Arnold, Sir Robert Balfour, Mr. Brody, Sir Hildred Carville, Sir Henry Cairns, Mr. Hazleton, Sir Charles Henry, Mr. Higginson, Colonel Jessel, Mr. Leif-Jones, Mr. Jowett, Mr. Maclaren, Mr. Montagu, Mr. Neville, and Sir Robert Williams.

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

Ordered, That Five be the quorum of the Committee.—(Mr. Rea.)

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

Ordered, That the Committee do consist of Seventeen Members.

The Committee was accordingly nominated of Mr. Agg-Gardner, Mr. Bentham, Mr. Fenwick, Mr. Hibbert, Mr. Higginson, Colonel Jessel, Sir Hildred Jones, Sir John Lonsdale, Mr. Maclaren, Mr. Mooney, Sir Henry Norman, Mr. Patrick O'Brien, Captain William Redmond, Sir Henry Samuel, Mr. Watt, and Mr. Tyson Wilson.

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

Ordered, That Three be the quorum of the Committee.—(Mr. Rea.)

Ordered, That a Select Committee be appointed to assist Mr. Speaker in the arrangements for the Official Report 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. Agg-Gardner, Mr. Bowerman, Mr. Godfrey Collins, Mr. Dorin, Mr. Fletcher, Mr. Grant, Mr. Butler Lloyd, Mr. MacVeagh, Mr. Partington, Mr. Walter Roeb, and Sir George Toulmin.

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

Ordered, That Three be the quorum of the Committee.—(Mr. Rea.)

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 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.

The Committee was accordingly nominated of Sir William Ball, Mr. Bart, Mr. Dalrymple, Mr. Charles Duncan, Mr. Hackett, Mr. Leicester Harmsworth, Mr. Hughes, Mr. Haydn Jones, Mr. Kenyon, Mr. Ronald McNeill, Mr. Marshall, Mr. Page, Colonel Pryce-Jones, Mr. Reddy, and Mr. Turton.

Ordered, That Three be the quorum of the Committee.—(Mr. Rea.)

Adjournment.

Whereupon Mr. Deputy Speaker, pursuant to the Order of the House of the 22nd 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 Eight of the clock, adjourned till to-morrow.

Thursday, 24th February 1916.

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 Bolton, in the room of Thomas Taylor, Esquire, 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. Gollan.)

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 Hertford (Eastern or Hertford Division), in the room of Sir John Folke Lancelot Rolleston, Knight, who, since his Election for the said county, hath accepted the Office of Steward or Bailiff of His Majesty's Three Chiltern Hundreds of Stoke, Desborough, and Burnham, in the County of Buckingham.—(Mr. Bridgeman.)

The Alexandria (Newport and South Wales) Docks and Railway Bill was, according to Order, read a second time; and referred to the Examiners of Petitions for Private Bills.

The Brighton and District Gas Bill was, according to Order, read a second time; and referred to the Examiners of Petitions for Private Bills.

The Cardiff Railway Bill was, according to Order, read a second time; and referred to the Examiners of Petitions for Private Bills.

The City of Dublin Steam Packet Company Bill was, according to Order, read a second time; and referred to the Examiners of Petitions for Private Bills.

The Order of the day being read, for the Colonial Bank Second Reading of the Colonial Bank Bill; Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time upon Tuesday next.

The Folkestone Gas Bill was, according to Order, read a second time; and referred to the Examiners of Petitions for Private Bills.

The Metropolitan Electric Tramways Bill was, according to Order, read a second time; and referred to the Examiners of Petitions for Private Bills.

The Northwich Urban District Council (Gas) Bill was, according to Order, read a second time; and referred to the Examiners of Petitions for Private Bills.

The Plymouth and Stonehouse Gas Bill was, according to Order, read a second time; and referred to the Examiners of Petitions for Private Bills.

The Saint John's Church, Kingston-upon-Hull Bill was, according to Order, read a second time; and referred to the Examiners of Petitions for Private Bills.

The South Metropolitan Gas Bill was, according to Order, read a second time; and referred to the Examiners of Petitions for Private Bills.

The Tynemouth Corporation Bill was, according to Order, read a second time; and referred to the Examiners of Petitions for Private Bills.

The Wakefield Corporation Bill was, according to Order, read a second time; and referred to the Examiners of Petitions for Private Bills.

The Order made upon the 26th day of January last, That the Paper relative to Friendly Societies, &c. be printed, was read and discharged.

Ordered, That the said Paper be withdrawn.

Mr. Montague presented, pursuant to the directions of an Act of Parliament,—(1) Account of the gross amount of all sums received and paid by the Commissioners for the Reduction of the National Debt on account of Banks for Savings and Friendly Societies in Great Britain and Ireland, from their commencement at 6th August 1817 to 20th November 1915, inclusive; of the aggregate amount of the separate surplus fund of all Savings Banks at 20th November 1915, and of the gross amount of all sums transferred to or paid out of such surplus fund in the course of the year ended 20th November 1915; and of all expenses incurred by the said Commissioners for salaries of clerks or other incidental expenses during the year ended 20th November 1915:—

(2) Account of the several transactions which have taken place during the year ended 20th November 1915, 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, &c.;

(3) Statement showing the aggregate amount of the Liabilities of the Government to the
trustees of Savings Banks and Friendly Societies respectively at 20th November 1915, &c.

Evictions

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

Mr. Birrell presented, by His Majesty's Command,—Copy of Return (I) of the number of Eviction Notices filed under Section 7 of the Land Law (Ireland) Act, 1887 ; and (II.) of the number of actual Evictions under Section 7 of the Act filed during the quarter ended 31st December 1915.

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

Mr. Secretary Samuel presented, pursuant to the directions of an Act of Parliament,—Copy of Order made under the Shops Act, 1912, by the Council of the aforementioned Local Authority, and confirmed by the Secretary of State for the Home Department :

Urban District of Sutton-in-Ashfield.

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

Shops Act, 1912.

Resolved, That an humble Address be presented to His Majesty, that He will be graciously pleased to give directions that there shall be laid before this House a Return of Copy of Minute by the Secretary of State for India, stating the circumstances under which three members of his permanent Establishment have been retained in the Service after they have attained the age of Sixty-five.—(Mr. Secretary Chamberlain.)

East India (India Office, Retirement at Sixty-five.)

Consolidated Fund (No. 1) Bill.

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. 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.

Orderd, That the Bill be read the third time upon Tuesday next.

The Naval Prize Procedure Bill was, according to Order, read a second time.

A Motion was made, and the Question being proposed, That this House will immediately resolve itself into a Committee on the Bill—(Mr. Rea) — The said Motion was, with leave of the House, withdrawn.

Orderd, That the Bill be committed to a Committee of the whole House for Tuesday next.

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

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

Mr. Birrell presented, pursuant to the directions of an Act of Parliament,—Copy of Declara-

tion withdrawing the British reservations in respect of Articles 23, 27, and 28 of the Red Cross Convention, 1906. Berns, 7th July 1914.

Orderd, That the said Paper do lie upon the Table.
Mr. Secretary Samuel 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:—

Borough of Accrington.
Urban District of Chadderton.

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

Mr. Montagu presented, by His Majesty’s Command,—Copy of Final Report of the Committee on Retrenchment in the Public Expenditure.

Mr. Montagu also presented, pursuant to the directions of an Act of Parliament, —An 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 1916.

Ordered, That the said Papers do lie upon the Table; and that the Paper relative to National Debt (Military Savings Banks) be printed.

Mr. Arthur Henderson presented, by His Majesty’s Command,—Copy of Summary of Returns supplied to the Board of Education by County Local Education Authorities of children excused from school for employment in Agriculture on 31st January 1916.

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

Mr. Secretary Bonar Law presented, by His Majesty’s Command,—Copy of Colonial Report, No. 876 (Leeward Islands, Report for 1914-15).

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

Mr. Acland presented, pursuant to the directions of an Act of Parliament,—Copies of Orders under the Destructive Insects and Pests Acts, numbered D.I.P. 358 to 360, inclusive, declaring the respective areas described in the Schedules thereto to be infected with Wart Disease of Potatoes, 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.


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Mr. Lloyd George presented, pursuant to the directions of an Act of Parliament,—Copy of Rules for constituting and regulating Munitions Tribunals, made in pursuance of Section 15 of the Munitions of War Act, 1915, as amended by the Munitions of War (Amendment) Act, 1916, by the Secretary for Scotland as far as relates to offences and the enforcement of orders, and by the Minister of Munitions as far as relates to other matters.

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

Mr. Secretary Chamberlain presented, —East India Return to an Address to His Majesty, dated (India Office, Retirement at the 24th day of this instant February, for a Sixty-five).

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

The Lord Advocate also presented, pursuant to Shops Act, 1912, to the directions of an Act of Parliament,—Copy of Order by the Secretary for Scotland, dated 3rd February 1916, under the Shops Act, 1912, affecting certain Shops in the Burgh of Coatbridge.

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

The following Paper, pursuant to the directions Friendly 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 1915. Part A. General Report.

Ordered, That the said Paper be printed.

The Consolidated Fund (No. 1) Bill was, Consolidated according to Order, read the third time and passed.

Ordered, That the Clerk do carry the Bill to Mr. Speaker’s 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 Naval Prize Procedure 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.
29th February.—1st March.

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

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.

Adjournment.

Whereupon Mr. Deputy Speaker, pursuant to the Order of the House of the 22nd 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 after Ten of the clock, adjourned till to-morrow.

Wednesday, 1st March 1916.

PRAYERS.

ORDERED, That the Paper relative to the Irish Universities Act, 1908, which was presented upon the 29th day of February last, be printed.

Munitions.

No. 32.

Ordered, That the Paper relative to Munitions, which was presented upon the 29th day of February last, be printed.

Munitions.

No. 33.

Ordered, That the Paper relative to Munitions, which was presented upon the 29th day of February last, be printed.

Bankruptcy Courts (Ireland.)

Mr. Birrell presented, pursuant to the directions of several Acts of Parliament.—Annual 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 1915.

Copy of Pawnbrokers' Returns from the City Marshal of Dublin for the year 1915.

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

Roscasleigh Commission.

Mr. Secretary Samuel presented, by His Majesty's Command,—Copy of the Sixty-eighth Report from the Ecclesiastical Commissioners for England and Wales, with an Appendix.

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


No. 34.

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

Post Office (Money Orders.)

Mr. Joseph Pease presented, pursuant to the directions of an Act of Parliament,—Copy of the Money Order Amendment (No. 3) Regulations, 1916, dated 20th January 1916.

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

1916.

Mr. Runciman presented, by His Majesty's Merchant Command,—Copy of Report of the Committee appointed by the Board of Trade to advise on the Load Lines of Merchant Ships and the carriage of Deck Cargoes of Wood Goods.

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

Ordered, That there be laid before this House Trade and Accounts relating to Trade and Navigation of Navigation. the United Kingdom for each month during the year 1916.—(Mr. Runciman.)

Resolved, That an humble Address be presented to His Majesty, that He will be graciously pleased to give directions that there be laid before this House a Return showing the number of 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 1915 (in continuation of Parliamentary Paper, No. 150 of Session 1914-16).—(Mr. Bruce.)

Captain Sir Owen Cosby Philips, K.C.M.G., New Member for the Borough of Chester, was sworn.

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

(Nin the Committee.)

Navy Supplementary Estimate, 1915-16.

1. £10 (Supplementary), Wages, &c. of Officers, Seamen, Boys, Coastguard, and Royal Marines.

Army Supplementary Estimate, 1915-16.

2. £10 (Supplementary), Pay, &c.

Civil Services Supplementary Estimates, 1915-16.

Class I.

3. £37,330 (Supplementary), Diplomatic and Consular Buildings.

Class II.

4. Motion made, and Question proposed, That a Supplementary sum not exceeding £50,100 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 1916 for the Salaries and Expenses of the Board of Agriculture and Fisheries, and of the Royal Botanic Gardens, Kew, including certain Grants in Aid:

Whereupon Motion made, and Question, That a Supplementary sum not exceeding £50,000 be granted for the said Service.—(Mr. Hyde),—put, and negatived.

Original Question put, and agreed to.

5. Motion made, and Question proposed, That a Supplementary sum not exceeding £50,000 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:

Whereupon Motion made, and Question, That a Supplementary sum not exceeding £49,500 be granted for the said Service.—(Mr. King),—put, and negatived.

Original Question put, and agreed to.

Class IV.

6. £4,800 (Supplementary), National Gallery.
6 GEO. V. 1st—2nd March.

Prayers.

Mr. Speaker laid upon the Table,—Report Private Bills from one of the Examiners of Petitions for (Standing Orders not previously infringed into, which are applicable thereto, have been complied with—):

Alexandra (Newport and South Wales) Dock and Railway Bill;
Brighton and District Gas Bill;
Cardiff Railway Bill;
City of Dublin Steam Packet Company Bill;
Folkestone Gas Bill;
Uxbridge Gas Bill.

Ordered, That the Bills be committed.

Mr. Secretary Samuel presented, pursuant to the directions of an Act of Parliament,—Copy of Register of the Inspectors of Constabulary Forces in Counties and Boroughs; England and Wales; No. 35.

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

Mr. Acland presented, pursuant to the directions of an Act of Parliament,—Copy of Register of Insects and Pests Acts, numbered D.I.P. 361, 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 Bowar Law presented, by His Majesty's Principal Secretary of State,—Copy of Colonial Report, No. 875 (Mauritius, Report for 1914).

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

Herbert James Whiteley, Esquire, Member for New Member for Worcestershire (Mid or Droitwich sworn.
Captain William Edge, Member for Borough of Bolton, 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 followeth:

The Lords have agreed to the Naval Prize Fund (No. 1) Bill, without any Amendment.

The Lords have agreed to the Consolidated Fund (No. 2) Bill.

The Lords have agreed to the Naval Prize Procedure Bill, without any Amendment.

Resolved, That this House, at its rising this day, do adjourn till Tuesday next.—(Mr. Lloyd the House, George.)

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

(private Committee)

Civil Services and Revenue Departments Estimates, 1916–17 (Vote on Account).

Motion made, and Question proposed, That a sum not exceeding £36,634,000 be granted to...
His Majesty, on the 31st day of March 1917, viz.:

**Civil Services.**

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**Scotland:**

| Secretary for Scotland, Office of | 10,000 | |
| Board of Agriculture | 25,000 | |
| Fishery Board | 8,000 | |
| General Board of Control | 10,000 | |
| Registrar General's Office | 3,000 | |
| Local Government Board | 12,000 | |

| Ireland: | | |
| Lord Lieutenant's Household | 2,000 | |
| Chief Secretary's Office and subordinate Departments | 11,000 | |
| Department of Agriculture and Technical Instruction | 15,000 | |
| Charitable Donations and Bequests Office | 1,000 | |
| Congested Districts Board | 64,000 | |
| Local Government Board | 50,000 | |
| Public Record Office | 3,000 | |
| Public Works Office | 18,000 | |
| Registrar General's Office | 5,000 | |
| Valuation and Boundary Survey | 12,000 | |

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**1916.**

| Supreme Court of Judicature, &c. | £ | |
| Land Registry | 150,000 | |
| Public Trustee | 5,000 | |
| County Courts | 45,000 | |
| Police, England and Wales | 50,000 | |
| Prisons, England and the Colonies | 400,000 | |
| Refractory and Industrial Schools, Great Britain | 170,000 | |
| Criminal Lunatic Asylums, England | 24,000 | |

**Scotland:**

| Law Charges and Courts of Law | 30,000 | |
| Scottish Land Court | 3,000 | |
| Register House, Edinburgh | 17,000 | |
| Prisons | 50,000 | |

**Ireland:**

| Law Charges and Criminal Prosecutions | 30,000 | |
| Supreme Court of Judicature and other Legal Departments | 45,000 | |
| Land Commission | 220,000 | |
| County Court Officers, &c. | 35,000 | |
| Dublin Metropolitan Police | 55,000 | |
| Royal Irish Constabulary | 650,000 | |
| Prisons | 45,000 | |
| Refractory and Industrial Schools | 60,000 | |
| Dundrum Criminal Lunatic Asylum | 4,000 | |

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**Scotland:**

| Public Education | - 1,000,000 | |
| National Galleries | - 2,000 | |

**Ireland:**

| Public Education | - 980,000 | |
| Endowed Schools Commissioners | - 400 | |
| National Gallery | - 1,000 | |
| Science and Art | - 25,000 | |
| Universities and Colleges, Ireland | - 55,000 | |

**CLASS V.**

| Diplomatic and Consular Services | - 310,000 | |
| Colonial Services | - 120,000 | |
| Telegraph Subsidies | - 16,000 | |
| Cyprus (Grant in Aid) | - 49,000 | |

**CLASS VI.**

| Superannuation and Retired Allowances | - 380,000 | |
| Miscellaneous Expenses | - 12,860 | |
| Hospitals and Charities, Ireland | - 15,000 | |
| Temporary Commissions | - 15,000 | |
| Ireland Development Grant | - 180,000 | |
| Statutory Committee | - 600 | |

**CLASS VII.**

| Old Age Pensions | - 5,000,000 | |
| National Health Insurance Joint Committee | - 60,000 | |
| National Health Insurance Commission (England) | - 1,500,000 | |
| National Health Insurance Commission (Wales) | - 110,000 | |
| National Health Insurance Commission (Scotland) | - 190,000 | |
| National Health Insurance Commission (Ireland) | - 129,000 | |
| Labour Exchanges and Unemployment Insurance | - 300,000 | |
| National Insurance Audit Department | - 50,000 | |
| Treatment of Tuberculosis (Special Grants) | - 150,000 | |
| Highlands and Islands (Medical Services) Board | - 2,000 | |
2nd—7th March.

Resolved, That this House will, upon Tuesday 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 1st day of this instant March:

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.

Whereupon Mr. Deputy Speaker, pursuant to the Order of the House of the 22nd 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 after Nine of the clock, adjourned till Tuesday next, pursuant to the Resolution of the House of this day.

Tuesday, 7th March 1916.

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 Electric Tramways Bill.

Colonial Bank Bill.

Ordered, That the Bills be committed.

The Order of the day being read, for the Tynemouth Corporation Bill:

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time upon Wednesday the 15th day of this instant March.

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 Leicester (Southern or Harborough Division), Writ, in the room of John William Logan, Esquire, who, since his Election for the said county, hath accepted the Office of Steward or Bailiff of His Majesty's Three Chiltern Hundreds of Stoke, Desborough, and Burnham, in the County of Buckingham.—(Mr. Geilgud.)

Mr. Secretary Bonar Law presented, by His Majesty's Command,—Copy of Colonial Reports, No. 877 (Trinidad and Tobago, Report for 1914-15).

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

The Lord Advocate presented, pursuant to directions of an Act of Parliament,—Copy of Annual Statistical Report by the University Court of the University of Glasgow for the year 1914-15.

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

Mr. Long presented, by His Majesty's Command,—Copy of Seventy-seventh Annual Report of the Registrar General of Births, Deaths, and Marriages in England and Wales, 1916. 

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

Ceylon War Contribution.

Mr. Montague presented, by His Majesty's Command,—Copy of Treasury Minute, dated 25th February 1916, showing the manner in which instalments of the Ceylon War Contribution will be applied.

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


Secretary Sir Edward Grey presented, by His Majesty's Command,—Copy of Agreement between the United Kingdom and France concerning the exchange of Post Office Money Orders between the Suez Canal and Madagascar. Signed at Paris, 31st January 1916.

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

Army Estimates (1916-17). No. 37.

Mr. Tennant presented, by His Majesty's Command,—Estimate of the sum required for the year ending 31st March 1917 for the Effective and Non-effective Services of the Army.

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

Trade and Navigation. No. 38.

Mr. Runciman presented, —Return to an Order, dated the 1st day of this instant March, for a Return relative to Trade and Navigation.

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

Church Estates Commission.

Mr. Secretary Samuel presented, by His Majesty's Command,—Copy of Sixty-fifth Report from the Church Estates Commissioners, for the year preceding 1st March 1916.

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

Street Accidents caused by Vehicles. No. 39.

Mr. Secretary Samuel also presented,—Return to an Address to His Majesty, dated the 1st day of this instant March, for a Return relative to Street Accidents caused by Vehicles.

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


Mr. Lloyd George presented, pursuant to the directions of an Act of Parliament,—Copy of Munitions Tribunals (Appeal) Rules, 1916, dated 2nd March 1916. 

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

Joseph Bliss, Esquire, Member for the County of Devon, was sworn.

William Cole, Esquire, Member for the County of Tyrone (South Tyrone Division), was sworn.

Chairmen's Panel.

Sir Daniel Goddard reported from the Com-Collection Committee; That they had selected the following Seven Members to be the Chairmen's Panel;—Sir Edwin Cornwall, Mr. P. T. O'Connor, Mr. Samuel Roberts, Mr. Arthur Stanley, Mr. Stuart-Wortley, Mr. Eugene Wason, and Mr. John Wilson Wilson.

Appointment of Members under the Parliament Act, 1911.

Sir Daniel Goddard further reported from the Chairmen's Committee; That in pursuance of Section 1, Panel they had appointed Mr. John William Wilson under appointment of Members No. 37, and Mr. Stuart-Wortley from the Chairmen's Panel, with whom Mr. Speaker shall consult, if practicable, before giving his Certificate to a Money Bill.

Unopposed Bill Committees (Panel).

Sir Daniel Goddard further reported from the Unopposed Bill Committee; That they had selected the following Nine Members to be the Panel to serve on unopposed Bill Committees under Standing Committee; Order 109;—Mr. Baldwin, Sir William Beatte, Sir Frederick Cowley, Sir Francis Edwards, Mr. Mooney, Colonel Alan Sykes, Mr. Thomas Stanford, Mr. Turtion, and Sir Francis Layland-Barratt.

Ordered, That the Reports do lie upon the Table.

The Order of the day being read, for the Supplementary Committee of Supply (Navy Estimates) an Amendment was proposed to be made to Pensions to the Question, by leaving out from the word "Sailors," "That " to the end of the Question, in order to add the words "in the opinion of this House, the State should accept the responsibility for the payment of pensions and allowances to all Sailors discharged from the Navy on account of diseases contracted or developed during service with the colours, and, in the case of death, pensions and allowances to the dependants, if any—(Mr. Hodge),—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 Mr. Speaker do now leave the Chair.—(Mr. Balfour); An Amendment was proposed to be made to Pensions to the Question, by leaving out from the word "Sailors," "That " to the end of the Question, in order to add the words "in the opinion of this House, the State should accept the responsibility for the payment of pensions and allowances to all Sailors discharged from the Navy on account of diseases contracted or developed during service with the colours, and, in the case of death, pensions and allowances to the dependants, if any—(Mr. Hodge),—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 Mr. Speaker do now leave the Chair.—(Mr. Balfour); An Amendment was proposed to be made to Pensions to the Question, by leaving out from the word "Sailors," "That " to the end of the Question, in order to add the words "in the opinion of this House, the State should accept the responsibility for the payment of pensions and allowances to all Sailors discharged from the Navy on account of diseases contracted or developed during service with the colours, and, in the case of death, pensions and allowances to the dependants, if any—(Mr. Hodge),—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 Mr. Speaker do now leave the Chair.—(Mr. Balfour); And the Main Question being put; Ordered, That Mr. Speaker do now leave the Chair —(Mr. Balfour). And the Main Question being put; Ordered, That Mr. Speaker do now leave the Chair.—(Mr. Balfour). And the Main Question being put; Ordered, That Mr. Speaker do now leave the Chair.—(Mr. Balfour).
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 receiving the Report from the Committee of Supply of the 2nd 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 1st day of this instant March;
Ordered, That the Report be received 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.

Adjournment.
Whereupon Mr. Speaker, pursuant to the Order of the House of the 22nd 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.

Wednesday, 8th March 1916.

PRAYERS.

THE Aberdeen Corporation Water Order Confirmation Bill was, according to Order, read a second time; and ordered to be taken into consideration to-morrow.

Mr. Pretyman presented a Bill to confirm certain Provisional Orders made by the Board of Trade under the Gas and Water Works Facilities Act, 1876, relating to Fleetwood Gas and Long Eaton Gas: 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. Hayes Fisher presented a Bill to confirm certain Provisional Orders of the Local Government Board relating to Bradford, Burton-upon-Trent, Buxton, Saint Helens, and Warrington: 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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Copy of Order in Council under the Naval Prize Act, 1864, and the Naval Agency and Distribution Act, 1864, dated 29th February 1916; and Naval Parking Act, 1864, providing for the distribution of Prize Money amongst the Officers and Crews of His Majesty's Ships of War entitled thereto.

Copy of Order in Council under the Liverpool Cathedral Act, 1902, dated 29th February 1916, approving a Scheme of the Ecclesiastical Commissioners for substituting the Chapel of Saint Nicholas for the Church of Saint Peter as the Parish Church of Liverpool.

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

Mr. Secretary Samuel presented, pursuant to a Resolution of the previous sittings, a Bill to correct a Misprint in 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.

Copy of Order made under the Shops Act, Shops Act, 1912, by the Council of the aforementioned Local Authority, and confirmed by the Secretary of State for the Home Department:

Urban District of Cleethorpes-with-Thornthwaite.

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

The Lord Advocate presented, pursuant to a Motion for a Report by the Chairman of Committees of the Council of the City of Edinburgh, House of Lords and the Chairman of Ways and Means, under Section 2 of the Private Legislation Procedure (Scotland) Act, 1899, that they are of opinion that the provisions of the North British Railway Order are of such a character, and raise such questions of policy and principle, that they ought to be dealt with by Private Bill and not by Provisional Order; that, save as aforesaid, 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.

Mr. Montagu presented, by His Majesty's National Command,—Copy of Second Report on the work of the National Insurance Audit Department, 1911 to 1913.

Mr. Montagu also presented, pursuant to the directions of several Acts of Parliament, Account of the Receipts and Disbursements of the Duchy of Lancaster in the year ended on the 21st December 1915; also a separate Account of the Capital of the said Duchy to the same date.

Ordered, That the said Papers do lie upon the Table; and that the Papers relative to the Duchy of Lancaster and the Duchy of Cornwall be printed.

Mr. Montagu, supported by Mr. Chancellor of the Duchy of Lancaster, presented a Bill to provide for the payment of a Grant in Aid of the funds at the disposal of the Statutory Committee constituted under the Naval and Military War Pensions, &c. Act, 1915.
8th March, 1916.

Class IV.

6. That a Supplementary sum not exceeding National
£4,800 be granted to His Majesty, to defray Gallery
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, and of the National Gallery
of British Art, Millbank.

Class V.

7. That a Supplementary sum not exceeding Colonial
£49,828 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 sundry Colonial Services, including
the charge of the Forestry Fund Corporation.

Class VI.

9. That a Supplementary sum not exceeding Miscellaneous
£1,700 be granted to His Majesty, to defray the
charge which will come in course of payment
during the year ending on the 31st day of
March 1916 for certain Miscellaneous Expenses,
including certain Grants to the Dominion
Administration.

10. That a sum not exceeding £414 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 Salary of the Vice-Chairman of
the Statutory Committee of the Royal Patriotic
Fund Corporation.

11. That a sum not exceeding £1,000 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 Expenses of the Ministry of
Munitions and Indian Colonial Government.

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

The Fourth Resolution being read a second
time:

And a Motion being made, and the Question
being put, That this House doth agree with the Committee
in the said Resolution:

The House divided.

The Yeas to the Right;

The Noes to the Left.

Tellers for the [Mr. Gulland, Yeas, {Lord Edmund Talbot : 44.]
Tellers for the [Mr. Hogge, Noes, Sir Arthur Markham : 20.]

So it was resolved in the Affirmative.

The Fifth to the Ninth Resolutions, being
read a second time, were agreed to.

The Tenth Resolution being read a second
time:

Supply.


Mr. Gulland reported from the Committee
of Supply of the 1st day of this instant March
several Resolutions; which were read, as
follow:

Navy Supplementary Estimate, 1915-16.

1. That a Supplementary sum not exceeding
£50,000 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 Board of Agriculture and Fisheries,
and of the Royal Botanic Gardens, Kew, including
certain Grants in Aid.

2. That a Supplementary sum not exceeding
£4,800 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 Gallery, and of the National Gallery
of British Art, Millbank.

3. That a Supplementary sum not exceeding
£57,330 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 Dip-
losmatic and Consular Buildings,
and for the maintenance of certain Cemeteries Abroad.

4. That a Supplementary sum not exceeding
£50,100 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 1916 for the Salaries and Expenses
of the Board of Agriculture and Fisheries,
and of the Royal Botanic Gardens, Kew, including
certain Grants in Aid.

5. That a Supplementary sum not exceeding
£50,000 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.
And a Motion being made, and the Question being put, That this House doth agree with the Committee in the said Resolution;  
The House divided.  
The Yeas to the Right;  
The Noes to the Left.  
Tellers for the [Mr. Gallaud:]  
Yea. [Lord Edmund Talbot:] 40.  
Tellers for the [Mr. Hogge:]  
Noo. [Mr. Anderson:] 12.  
So it was resolved in the Affirmative.  
Ordered, That the remaining Resolutions be taken into further consideration to-morrow.  

The Order of the day being read, for receiving the Report from the Committee of Supply of the 2nd day of this instant March;  
Ordered, That the Report be received to-morrow.  

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.  

A Motion being made, That this House will, to-morrow, resolve itself into a Committee to consider of authorising the charge on the Consolidated Fund of such sums as may become payable under any Act of the present Session to provide for the payment of a Grant in Aid of the funds at the disposal of the Statutory Committee constituted under the Naval and Military War Pensions, &c. Act, 1915, and for payments by Local Authorities in aid of the Expenses of local and district committees under that Act—(Mr. Gallaud);  
Mr. Montagu, 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 22nd 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 seven minutes after Eleven of the clock, adjourned till to-morrow.

THURSDAY, 9TH MARCH, 1916.

PRAyERS.

THE Order of the day being read, for taking into consideration the Aberdeen Corporation Water Order Confirmation Bill;  
Ordered, That the Bill be taken into consideration upon Tuesday next.


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

Mr. Tennant presented, pursuant to the directions of an Act of Parliament,—Copy of (Military Statement of the amounts due by the public to depositors in Military Savings Banks on 31st March 1915, &c.

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

The Chairman of Ways and Means reported the City of Dublin Steam Packet Company Bill; That they had examined the allegations contained in the Preamble of the Bill, and amended certain allegations relating to the sinking fund and other matters, and found the Preamble, as amended, to be true; and had gone through the Bill and made Amendments thereunto.

Ordered, That the Report do lie upon the Table.

Resolved, That this House, at its rising this sitting of day, do adjourn till Tuesday next.—(The Prime Minister.)

Lord Edmund Talbot reported from the Committee of Supply of the 2nd day of this instant March a Resolution; which was read, as followeth:

Civil Services and Revenue Departments Estimates, 1916-17 (Vote on Account).  
That a sum not exceeding £36,634,000 be Civil Services granted to His Majesty, on account for or towards defraying the charges for the following Civil Services and Revenue Departments for 1916-17 (Vote on Account), viz.:

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CLASS II.  
United Kingdom and Colonies:  
House of Lords Office                    | 20,000 |
House of Commons                        | 85,000 |
Treasury and subordinate Departments    | 47,000 |
Home Office                             | 100,000 |
Foreign Office                          | 20,000 |
Colonial Office                         | 23,000  |
Privy Council Office                    | 5,000   |
Board of Trade                          | 180,000 |
Mercantile Marine Services              | 75,000  |
Bankruptcy Department of the Board of Trade | 4      |
Board of Agriculture and Fisheries      | 200,000 |
Charity Commission                      | -       |
Government Code and Support             | 13,000  |
Civil Service Commission                | 20,000  |

THE ORDER OF THE DAY.

Aberdeen Corporation Water Order Confirmation Bill.

Lord Edmund Talbot reported from the Committee on the City of Dublin Steam Packet Company Bill.
9th March.

Ireland:
- Public Education - 280,000
- Endowed Schools Commissioners - 400
- National Gallery - 1,000
- Science and Art - 25,000
- Universities and Colleges, Ireland - 55,000

Class V.
- Diplomatic and Consular Services - 320,000
- Colonial Services - 120,000
- Telegraph Subsidies - 16,000
- Cyprus (Grant in Aid) - 49,000

Class VI.
- Superannuation and Retired Allowances - 380,000
- Miscellaneous Expenses - 12,866
- Hospitals and Charities, Ireland - 16,000
- Temporary Commissions - 15,000
- Ireland Development Grant - 180,000
- Statutory Committee - 600

Class VII.
- Old Age Pensions - 5,000,000
- National Health Insurance Joint Committee - 60,000
- National Health Insurance Commission (England) - 1,500,000
- National Health Insurance Commission (Wales) - 110,000
- National Health Insurance Commission (Scotland) - 130,000
- National Health Insurance Commission (Ireland) - 120,000
- Labour Exchanges and Unemployment Insurance - 300,000
- National Insurance Audit Department - 50,000
- Treatment of Tuberculosis (Special Grants) - 150,000
- Highlands and Islands (Medical Services) Board - 2,000

Ministry of Munitions - 100
Ministry of Munitions (Ordnance Factories) - 10

Revenue Departments.
- Customs and Excise - 1,100,000
- Inland Revenue - 980,000
- Post Office - 12,000,000

Total for Civil Services and Revenue Departments - £36,634,000

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

Dr. Macnamara reported from the Committee of Supply of the 8th day of March several Resolutions; which were read, as follow:


1. That 350,000 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 1917.

2. That a sum not exceeding £1,000 be Wages, &c. 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 1917.

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

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 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 taking into consideration the Eleventh and Twelfth of the Resolutions which, upon the 8th day of this instant March, were reported from the Committee of Supply of the 1st day of this instant March:
Ordered, That the said Resolutions be taken into further consideration upon Tuesday next.

Naval and Military War Pensions, &c. (Expenses) Bill.

The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Naval and Military War Pensions, &c. (Expenses) Bill;
Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time upon Tuesday next.

Naval and Military War Pensions, &c. (Expenses) [Consolidated Fund].

The Order of the day being read, for taking into consideration the Aberdeen Water Order Confirmation Bill;
Ordered, That the Bill be taken into consideration upon Thursday next.

Ordered, That Mr. Speaker do issue his South Shields Borough Writ.

The Order of the day being read, for taking Aberdeen Water Order Confirmation Bill;
Ordered, That the said Resolutions be taken into consideration the Aberdeen Corporation Water Order Confirmation Bill.

Ordered, That Mr. Speaker do issue his South Shields Borough Writ.

Ordered, That Mr. Speaker do issue his Chester 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 South Shields, in the room of the Right Honourable Russell Rea, deceased. — (Mr. Gulland.)

Ordered, That Mr. Speaker do issue his Chester County (Hyde Division) Borough Writ.

Mr. Montagu, presented, pursuant to the Standing Order 175a, for the partial closing of the British Museum (Bloomsbury) and Natural History Museum, Muscum.

Mr. Montagu also presented, pursuant to the Standing Order 175a, an Account of the gross amount of all Bank Annuities and any Annuities 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 5th January 1916.

Annual Account of Receipts and Disbursements of the Court of Probate Division of the High Court of Justice in Ireland for the year 1915.

Copy of Twenty-fourth Annual Report of the Proceedings of the Inspection Committees of Trustee Savings Banks, for the year ended 20th November 1915, with Appendices.

Ordered, That the said Papers do lie upon the Table; and that the Papers relative to National Debt Annuities and Trustee Savings Banks be printed.

Mr. Attorney General presented, pursuant to Standing Orders 150, and 173a, the Attorney General on the Saint John's Church, Kingston-upon-Hull, Bill.

Ordered, That the said Paper be referred to the Committee on the Bill.
Mr. Secretary Samuel presented, by His Majesty's Command, — Copy of Sixty-third Report of the Charity Commissioners for England and Wales.

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. 5564 to 5566.

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 of Accounts of Loan Societies in England and Wales for the year 1914, furnished to the Central Office for the Registry of Friendly Societies.

Noel Pemberton Billing, Esquire, Member for the County of Hertford (Eastern or Hertford Division), was sworn.

Private Legislation Procedure (Scotland) Act, 1899.

Sir Daniel Goldard reported from the Committee of Selection; 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. Assizworth, Major Austen-Grey, Sir Henry Craik, Mr. Currie, Sir John Dewar, Mr. Edbomont, Mr. Harry Hope, Mr. John Deans Hope, Mr. Mackinder, Mr. Morton, Sir John Mc Callum, Mr. Sutherland, Mr. Watten, Mr. Watt, and Mr. Willie.

Ordered, That the Report do lie upon the Table.

The Order of the day being read, for the Committee of Supply (Army Estimates); And a Motion being made, and the Question being proposed, That Mr. Speaker do now leave the Chair—(Mr. Treasur;)

An Amendment was proposed to be made to the Question, by leaving out from the word "That" to the end of the Question, and adding the words "in the opinion of this House, the State should accept the responsibility for the payment of pensions and allowances to all soldiers discharged from the Army on account of diseases contracted or developed during service with the colours, and, in the case of death, pensions and allowances to the dependants, if any".—(Mr. Jowett)—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 again proposed:—And a Debate arising thereupon; And it being Eleven o'clock, the Debate stood adjourned.

Ordered, That the Debate be resumed to-morrow.

Mr. Secretary Samuel presented, by His Majesty's Command, — Copy of Sixty-third Report of the Charity Commissioners for England and Wales.

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

The Order of the day being read, for the Committee on Naval and Military War Pensions, &c. (Expenses) [Consolidated Fund];

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

The Order of the day being read, for taking Supply into consideration the Eleventh and Twelfth of the Resolutions which, upon the 8th day of this instant March, were reported from the Committee of Supply of the 1st day of this instant March, viz.:—

11. That a sum not exceeding £1,000 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 Expenses of the Ministry of Munitions;

12. That a sum not exceeding £1,000 be granted to His Majesty, to defray the charge which will come in course of payment during the year ending on 31st day of March 1916 for the Expenses of the Ordnance Factories, the cost of the production of which will be charged to the Army, Navy, Ministry of Munitions, and Indian and Colonial Governments, &c.;

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

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. The Order of the House of the 32nd 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.

Wednesday, 15th March 1916.

PRAYERS.

THE House proceeded to take into consideration City of Dublin the City of Dublin Steam Packet Steam Packet Company Bill, as amended in the Committee.

Ordered, That the Bill be read the third time.

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

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

Mr. Lloyd George presented, pursuant to the Mandates of an Act of Parliament,—Copy of Rules for constituting and regulating Mandates Tribunals in Ireland, made in pursuance of Section 15 of the Mandates of War Act, 1915, as amended by the Mandates of War (Amendment) Act, 1916, by the Lord Lieutenant as far as relates to offences and the enforcement of orders, and by the Minister of Munitions as far as relates to other matters.

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 9th March 1916, made by the Welsh Insurance Commissioners, entitled the National Health Insurance (Decision of Questions) Regulations (Wales), 1916.

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

Mr. Balfour presented, by His Majesty's Command,—Copy of List of Exceptions to the King's Regulations as to Pay, Non-effective Pay, and Allowances sanctioned by the Lords Commissioners of the Admiralty, with the approval of the Lords Commissioners of the Treasury, pursuant to the Order in Council dated 19th December 1881, during the year 1914-15.

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

The Order of the day being read, for resuming the adjourned Debate on the Question proposed upon the 14th day of this instant March, That Mr. Speaker do now leave the Chair (for the Committee of Supply (Army Estimates));

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

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.)

Army Estimates, 1916-17.

Motion made, and Question proposed, That a number of Land Forces not exceeding 4,000,000, 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 1917:

Whereupon Motion made, and Question, That the Chairman do report Progress, and ask leave to sit again—(Sir John Simon)—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 then 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.

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.

Naval and Military War Pensions, &c. (Expenses) Bill.

The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Naval and Military War Pensions, &c. (Expenses) Bill;

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

Naval and Military War Pensions, &c. (Expenses) [Consolidated Fund] Bill.

The Order of the day being read, for the Committee on Naval and Military War Pensions, &c. (Expenses) [Consolidated Fund];

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

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Whereupon Mr. Speaker, pursuant to the Adjournment, Order of the House of the 22nd 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 Eleven of the clock, adjourned till to-morrow.

Thursday, 16th March 1916.

PRAYERS.

The House, according to Order, proceeded Aberdeen to take into consideration the Aberdeen Corporation Water Order Confirmation Bill.

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

Mr. Montagu presented, pursuant to the directions of several Acts of Parliament,—(1) An Account of the gross amount of all sums received and paid by the Commissioners for the Reduction of the National Debt on account of Banks for Savings and Friendly Societies in Great Britain and Ireland, from their commencement at 6th August 1817 to the 20th November 1915:—(2) An Account of the several transactions which have taken place during the year ended 20th November 1915, in the investment of all moneys which came into the hands of the Commissioners for the Reduction of the National Debt for Savings Banks and Friendly Societies respectively on 20th November 1915, &c.

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

A Motion was made, and the Question being put, That this House, at its rising this day, do adjourn till Tuesday next—(Mr. Lloyd George):

The House divided.

The Yeas to the Right;

The Noes to the Left.

Tellers for the [Mr. Gulland, Yeas, ]128.

[Tellors for the [Mr. Pringle, Noes, ]67.

So it was resolved in the Affirmative.

Ordered, That the Business of Supply, if under business of discussion this night at Eleven of the clock, be the House not interrupted under the Standing Order (Sittings of the House).—(Mr. Lloyd George).

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

(In the Committee.)

Army Estimates, 1916-17.

1. Motion made, and Question proposed, That a number of Land Forces not exceeding 4,000,000, 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 1917:
Friday, 17th March 1916:

Question put, and agreed to.
1. £1,000 for the Pay, &c. of His Majesty's Army (including Army Reserve) at Home and Abroad (exclusive of India).

 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.

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 1916, the sum of £198,039 be granted out of the Consolidated Fund of the United Kingdom. (Mr. Long.)

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 1917, the sum of £36,636,000 be granted out of the Consolidated Fund of the United Kingdom. (Mr. Long.)

Resolutions to be reported.

Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair; and the Deputy Chairman reported, That the Committee had come to several Resolutions.

Ordered, That the Report be received upon Tuesday 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 Tuesday next, again resolve itself into the said Committee.

The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Naval and Military War Pensions, &c. (Expenses) Bill;

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

Adjournement.

And it being after half-past Eleven of the clock on Thursday evening, Mr. Deputy Speaker adjourned the House without Question put, pursuant to the Standing Order, it being then five minutes after One of the clock on Friday morning, till Tuesday next, pursuant to the Resolution of the House of this day.

Tuesday, 21st March 1916.

PRAYERS.

Mr. Speaker laid upon the Table,—Report Private Bills from one of the Examiners of Petitions for Private Bills, That in the case of the following Bill, referred on the First Reading thereof, the Standing Orders which are applicable thereto, have been complied with, viz.:

Plymouth and Stonehouse Gas Bill.

South Metropolitan Gas Bill.

Ordered, That the Bills be committed.

Mr. Speaker laid upon the Table,—Report Provisional Orders 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.:

Gas Provisional Orders Bill.

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

Mr. Speaker laid upon the Table,—Report Provisional Orders from one of the Examiners of Petitions for Order Bills, That in the case of the following Bill, referred on the First Reading thereof, the Standing Orders are applicable, viz.:

Local Government Provisional Orders (No. 1) Bill.

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

The City of Dublin Steam Packet Company Bill was read the third time and passed.

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

The Aberdeen Corporation Water 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.

A Bill for vesting the Whiteinch Tramway Company in the North British Railway Company; for authorising the construction of a road diversion; for empowering the Company and the Haddington County Council to acquire lands, and for other purposes, was presented, and read the first time; and ordered to be read a second time.

Mr. Secretary Samuel presented, pursuant to the directions of an Act of Parliament,—Accounts Council, of the General Medical Council and Branch Councils, and of the Dental Registration Fund, for 1912.

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

Mr. Montagu presented, pursuant to the directions of several Acts of Parliament,—Copies of Regulations, dated 15th March 1916, under the Superannuation Act, 1884, declaring that Frederick Whaling Robinson, Telegraphist, General Post Office, was appointed without a Civil Service Certificate through inadvertence on the part of the head of his Department.

Copy of Regulations, dated 15th March 1916, National Health Insurance Joint Committee, and by the Insurance Commissioners, the Scottish Insurance Commissioners, the Irish Committee (Regulations).
6 Geo. V. 21st March.

Insurance Commissioners, and the Welsh Insurance Commissioners, entitled the National Health Insurance (Navy and Army) Consolidated Regulations, 1916.

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

The Lord Advocate presented, by His Majesty's Command,—Copy of Statement showing (1) an Estimate of the sums receivable by the Education (Scotland) Fund for the year 1915-16, of the expenditure therefrom under Section 16(1) of the Education (Scotland) Act, 1908, and of the balance available for allocation under Section 16 (2) of that Act; (2) the allocation of such balance in accordance with the terms of the Department's Minute of 28th June 1912.

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:—Return of all sums received by the Visitors of Lunatics for travelling expenses, or upon other account, from 1st January to 31st December 1915.

New Member sworn.

Cecil Algernon Cochrane, Esquire, Member for the Borough of South Shields, was sworn.

Supply (16th March) Report.

Mr. Rea reported from the Committee of Supply of the 16th day of this instant March several Resolutions; which were read, as follows:

Army Estimates, 1916-17.

1. That a number of Land Forces not exceeding 4,000,000, 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 1917.

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 a 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 1917.

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

Ordered, That the Resolution which, upon the 9th day of this instant March, 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 350,000 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 1917.

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. Balfour, Mr. Forster, and Dr. Macnamara do prepare and bring it in.

Mr. Tennant 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. Rea reported from the Committee of Ways and Means of the 16th day of this instant March several Resolutions; which were read, as follow:

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1. 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 £198,039 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 1917, the sum of £36,636,000 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 Consolidated said Resolutions: 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 Consolidated apply certain sums out of the Consolidated Fund (No. 2) Bill to the service of the years ending on the thirty-first day of March, one thousand nine hundred and sixteen and one thousand nine hundred and seventeen: And the same was read the first time, and ordered to be read a second time to-morrow: and to be printed.

The Naval and Military War Pensions, &c. Naval and (Expenses) 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. Rea.)

The House, according to Order, resolved itself into a Committee on Naval and Military War Pensions, &c. (Expenses) [Consolidated Fund], [In the Committee.]

Resolved, That it is expedient to authorise the issue, out of the Consolidated Fund, of the sum of one million pounds, payable under any Act of the present Session to provide for the payment of a Grant in Aid of the funds at the disposal of the Statutory Committee constituted under the Naval and Military War Pensions, &c. Act, 1915.—(Mr. Hager Fisher.)

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 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.

Whereupon Mr. Deputy Speaker, pursuant to the Order of the House of the 22nd 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.
Wednesday, 22nd March 1916.

PRAYERS.

THE Gas Provisional Orders Bill was, according to Order, read a second time, and committed.

The Local Government Provisional Orders (No. 1) 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.

Mr. Lloyd George presented, by His Majesty's Command, — Copy of Report of Health of Munition Workers Committee on Industrial Fatigue and its Causes (Memorandum No. 7); on Special Industrial Diseases (Memorandum No. 8); on Ventilating and Lighting of Munition Factories and Workshops (Memorandum No. 9); on Sickness and Injury (Memorandum No. 10). 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 the Foreign and Colonial Parcel Post Amendment (No. 78) Warrant, 1916, dated 21st February 1916. Ordered, That the said Paper do lie upon the Table.

Mr. Montagu presented, pursuant to the directions of an Act of Parliament, — Annual Accounts of the Ordnance Factories for the year 1914-15, with the Report of the Comptroller and Auditor General thereon. Ordered, That the said Paper do lie upon the Table; and be printed.

Mr. Ruaneiman presented, pursuant to the directions of an Act of Parliament, — Copy of the Unemployment Insurance (Supplementary) Regulations, 1916, made by the Board of Trade, dated 15th March 1916. Ordered, That the said Paper do lie upon the Table.

The following Paper, pursuant to the directions of an Act of Parliament, was laid upon the Table by the Clerk of the House: — Copy of Rules, dated 19th March 1916, under the Indictments Act, 1915, made by the Rule Committee established under the Act.

Sir Edwin Corbett reported from the Committee on the Cardiff 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.

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

The Lords communicate that they have come to the following Resolution, viz., That it is Bills, desirable that all Consolidation Bills in the present Session be referred to a Joint Committee of both Houses of Parliament. The Lords have passed a Bill, intituled An War Risks Act to facilitate the Insurance against war risks (Insurance Trustees) of property subject to Trusts; to which the Lords desire the concurrence of this House.

The Lords have passed a Bill, intituled An Burnley Corporation Act to extend the time for the construction of certain waterworks authorised by the Burnley Corporation Act, 1908; to confer further powers upon the Mayor, Aldermen, and Burgess of the Borough of Burnley in regard to their water undertaking, and for other purposes; to which the Lords desire the concurrence of this House.

The Lords have passed a Bill, intituled Swansea Harbour Bill [Lords] to postpone the repayment of certain mortgages granted by the Swansea Harbour Trustees, and for other purposes; to which the Lords desire the concurrence of this House.

The Burnley Corporation Bill [Lords] was Burnley Corporation Bill [Lords] read the first time. Ordered, That the Bill be referred to the Examiners of Petitions for Private Bills.

The Swansea Harbour Bill [Lords] was Swansea Harbour Bill [Lords] read the first time. Ordered, That the Bill be referred to the Examiners of Petitions for Private Bills.

The Consolidated Fund (No. 2) Bill was, Consolidated Fund (No. 2) Bill accordingly, read a second time, and Fund ordered, That the said Paper do lie upon the Table; and be printed. The Order of the day being read, for receiving Naval and Military War Pensions, &c. (Expenses) [Consolidated Fund]; Ordered, That the Report be received to-morrow. The Order of the day being read, for the Naval and Military War Pensions, &c. (Expenses) Bill; Ordered, That this House will, to-morrow, resolve itself into the said Committee.

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

The Order of the day being read, for the Supply Committee of Supply; Ordered, 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 this House will, to-morrow, resolve itself into the said Committee.

Whereupon Mr. Deputy Speaker, pursuant to Adjournment, the Order of the House of the 22nd 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. Deputy Speaker adjourned the House without Question put, pursuant to the Order of the House of the 22nd day of February last, till to-morrow.
Army Reserve

Mr. Tennyson presented, pursuant to the directions of an Act of Parliament,—Copies of Regulations for the Army Reserve, by Royal Warrant, dated 1st March 1916, relating to men deemed to have been enlisted under the Military Service Act, 1916, and Royal Warrant, dated 20th January 1916, relating to men enlisted under the Royal Warrant of 20th October 1915.

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

East India

Mr. Secretary Chamberlain presented, pursuant to the directions of an Act of Parliament,—Copy of Rules, dated 14th March 1916, made by the Secretary of State for India in Council under the Indian Civil Service (Temporary Provisions) Act, 1915.

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

The Order made upon the 10th day of this instant March, That the Paper relative to National Debt (Savings Banks and Friendly Societies) do lie upon the Table, and be printed, was read and discharged.

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 Wednesday next, at half an hour after Eleven of the clock.

Ordered, That the Report do lie upon the Table.

Mr. McKinnon Wood, supported by the Lord Advocate, presented a Bill to amend the Law relating to the registration of irregular Marriages in Scotland, and to amend, during the continuance of the present War, the Marriage Notice (Scotland) Act, 1878, so far as applying to persons serving in the Naval and Military Forces of the Crown: And the same was ordered to be read a second time upon Tuesday next; and to be printed.

Mr. Hayes Fisher, supported by Mr. Herbert Lewis and Mr. Solicitor General, presented a Bill to make provision with respect to officers and servants of Local Authorities serving in or with His Majesty's Forces, and to make various administrative provisions with a view to economy in money and labour in connection with the present War: And the same was ordered to be read a second time upon Tuesday next; and to be printed.

Mr. Secretary Bonar Law, supported by Mr. Steel-Maitland and Mr. Harcourt, presented a Bill to provide for transferring the management of the Imperial Institute from the Board of Trade to the Colonial Office, and for other purposes connected therewith: 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.—(Mr. Lloyd George.)

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Thursday, 23rd March 1916.

PRAYERS.

6 GEO. V. 23rd March.

The Order of the day being read, for the Supply Committee of Supply (Civil Services and Revenue Departments Estimates);

And a Motion being made, and the Question being proposed, That Mr. Speaker do now leave the Chair—(Mr. Montagu);

An Amendment was proposed to be made to Defence of the Realm Act, 1914, so far as applying to persons serving in the Naval and Military War Pensions, &c. (Expenditure in respect of Royal Palaces, including a Grant in Aid):

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

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

The House, according to Order, resolved itself Consolidated into a Committee on the Consolidated Fund (No. 2) Bill. (In the Committee.)

Clauses 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 made Progress in the matter to them referred; and that he was directed to move, That the Committee may have leave to sit again.

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

Mr. Rea reported from the Committee on Naval and Military War Pensions, &c. (Expenses) [Consolidated Fund] a Resolution; which was read, as followeth:

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That it is expedient to authorise the issue, out of the Consolidated Fund, of the sum of one million pounds, payable under any Act of the present Session to provide for the payment of a Grant in Aid of the funds at the disposal of the Statutory Committee constituted under the Naval and Military War Pensions, &c. Act, 1915.

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 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 North British Railway North British (substituted) Bill be read a second time tomorrow.

Mr. Secretary Samuel presented, pursuant Shops Act, to the directions of an Act of Parliament,— 1912.

Copy of Order under the Shops Act, 1912, Shops Act, made by the Council of the County of Dunsire, 1912, and confirmed, with amendment, by the Secretary of State for the Home Department:—

County Borough of Grimsby.

County Borough of Salford.

Borough of West Ham.

Copy of Order under the Shops Act, 1912, Shops Act, made by the Council of the County of Dunsire, 1912, and confirmed, with amendment, by the Secretary of State for the Home Department.

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

Mr. Arthur Henderson presented, by His Board of Majesty’s Command, —Copy of Regulations Education, under which Special Grants in Aid of certain Local Education Authorities in England and Wales will be made, 1916–17.

Mr. Arthur Henderson also presented, pursuant to the directions of several Acts of Parliament,—Copy of Statute made under the Universities of Oxford and Cambridge Act, 1877, by the Governing Body of Trinity College, Cambridge, on 27th November 1915, and sealed on 3rd December 1915, repealing Section (i) of Statute XIII. of the Statutes of the College, and substituting therefor an amended Section (j).

Copy of Two Orders in Council under the Spring Assizes Spring Assizes Act, 1879, dated 21st March Act, 1879, constituting Spring Assize Counties Nos. 2 and 3 for the Spring Assizes, 1916.


Copy of Order in Council under the Merchant Merchant shipping Act, 1894, and the Merchant Shipping (Mercantile Marine Fund) Act, 1896, dated 21st March 1916, constituting a Surveyor of Shipping and Marine Engineer on the establishment of the Trinity House of Deptford Strond, and abolishing the appointment of Marine Assistant Engineer thereon.

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

Mr. Montagu presented, by His Majesty’s Command,—Copy of Annual Report and Bounty, Accounts of the Governors of Queen Anne’s Bounty for the year 1916.

Mr. Montagu also presented, pursuant to the directions of several Acts of Parliament,—Copy of Health of Provisional Regulations, dated 24th March 1916, made by the National Health Insurance Health Insurance Committee, Joint Committee, with the consent of the (Regulations.) Treasury, entitled the National Health Insurance (Injuries in War Compensation) Regulations, 1916.

Copy of Treasury Minute, dated 17th March Superannuation, 1916, granting a retired allowance to Mr. Son, Act, 1887.

Arthur Cook, Minor Staff Clerk, Patent Office, Board of Trade, under the Superannuation Act, 1887.

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

Tuesday, 28th March 1916.

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.:—

Swansea Harbour [Lords].

Burnley Corporation [Lords].

Ordered, That the Bills be read a second time.
Mr. Acland presented, by His Majesty's Command,—Copy of Annual Report of proceedings under the Diseases of Animals Acts, the Markets and Fairs (Weighing of Cattle) Acts, &c. for 1915.  
Ordered, That the said Paper do lie upon the Table.

The War Risks (Insurance by Trustees) Bill [Lords] was read the first time, and ordered to be read a second time to-morrow; and to be printed.

Mr. Secretary Bonar Law, supported by Mr. Steel-Maitland and Mr. Attorney General, presented a Bill to validate certain King's Regulations made under the Pacific Order in Council, 1893: And the same was ordered to be read a second time to-morrow; and to be printed.

The Consolidated Fund (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 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. LOWNThER, Speaker).

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. Rea.)

The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Imperial Institute (Management) 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 Marriage (Scotland) Bill;

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

The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Local Government (Emergency Provisions) Bill;

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

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

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

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

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

Ordered, That so much of the Lords' Message of the 22nd day of this instant March as communicates the following 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.

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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. Guilleum.)

Ordered, That a Message be sent to the Lords to acquaint them therewith : And that the Clerk do carry the said Message.

Whereupon Mr. Speaker, pursuant to the Adjournment, Order of the House of the 22nd 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 Eleven of the clock, adjourned till to-morrow.

Wednesday, 29th March 1916.

PRAYERS.

THE House proceeded to take into consider- 
THE House proceeded to take into consideration the Cardiff Railway Bill, as amended in the Committee. 

Ordered, That the Bill be read the third time.

The Order of the day being read, for the North British Railway Bill (substituted); and to be printed.

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

Mr. Protym presented a Bill to confirm a Provisional Order made by the Board of Trade under the Electric Lighting Acts, 1882 to 1909, relating to Church Stretton: 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, by His Majesty's Command,—Copy of Second Report of the Government Committee appointed by the Secretary for Scotland on War Organisation in the Distributing Trades in Scotland.

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

Mr. Secretary Samuel presented, pursuant to Shops Act, the directions of an Act of Parliament,—Copy 1912.  
Of Order under the Shops Act, 1912, made by the Council of the aforementioned Local Authority, and confirmed by the Secretary of State for the Home Department:—

Borough of Eccles.

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

Secretary Sir Edward Grey presented, by His Majesty's Command,—Copy of further correspondence with the United States Ambassador respecting the safety of Alien Enemies repatriated from India on the Steamship "Golconda," No. 8, 1916.

Ordered, That the said Paper do lie upon the Table.
The Weston-super-Mare Grand Pier Bill [Lords] was read the first time.

Ordered, That the Bill be referred to the Examiners of Petitions for Private Bills.

The Imperial Institute (Management) Bill Imperial Institute (Management) Bill

Ordered, That the Bill be committed to a Committee of the whole House for to-morrow.

—(Mr. Rea.)

The Pacific Islands Regulations (Validation) 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. Rea.)

The Marriage (Scotland) Bill was, according to Marriage to Order, read a second time.

Ordered, That the Bill be committed to a Committee of the whole House for to-morrow.

—(Mr. Rea.)

The War Risks (Insurance by Trustees) Bill War Risks (Insurance by Trustees) Bill

Ordered, That the Bill be committed to a Committee of the whole House for to-morrow.

—(Mr. Rea.)

A Motion was made, and the Question being Adjournment, put, That this House do now adjourn—(Mr. Gulland)—It passed in the Negative.

The House, according to Order, resolved itself Army into a Committee on the Army (Annual) Bill.

(In the Committee.)

Clauses No. 1 to No. 4 agreed to.

A Clause (Insertion in the Army Act of new section relating to the ill-treatment of horses, and consequential amendment of section twenty-four)—(Mr. George Greenwood)—brought up, and read the first time.

Motion made, and Question, That the Clause be read a second time, put, and negatived.

Another Clause (Amendment of section forty-eight of the Army Act with respect to sentences of death)—(Mr. Aneurin Williams)—brought up, and read the first time.

Motion made, and Question, That the Clause be read a second time, put, and negatived.

Another Clause (Restriction on discharge of soldiers suffering from venereal disease)—(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 (Amendment of provisions of Army Act relating to the liability of a soldier to maintain his wife and children, &c.)—(Mr. King)—brought up, and read the first time.

Motion made, and Question proposed, That the Clause be read a second time:—Motion and Clause, by leave, withdrawn.

Schedule agreed to.
Preamble agreed to.
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.

Adjourment.
Whereupon Mr. Deputy Speaker, pursuant to the Order of the House of the 22nd 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 after Nine of the clock, adjourned till to-morrow.

Thursday, 30th March 1916.

PRAYERS.

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HE Order of the day being read, for taking into consideration the Amendments made by the Lords to the Aberdeen Corporation Water Order Confirmation Bill;

Ordered, That the said Amendments be taken into consideration upon Tuesday next.

Mr. Montagu presented,—Return to an Order, dated the 29th day of this instant March, for a Return relative to Supreme Court (Prize, &c. Deposit Account, 1914–15.)

No. 48.

Government Insurances and Annuities. No. 49.

Mr. Montagu also presented, pursuant to the directions of an Act of Parliament,—Account of all moneys received on account of Contracts for the grant of Deferred Life Annuities and for payments on Death, and of the disposal thereof, and of the Contracts made, during the year 1915.

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

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

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

The Chairman of Ways and Means reported from the Committee on the Gas 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 on Tuesday next.

The Chairman of Ways and Means reported Wakefield the Wakefield Corporation Bill, with Amendments.

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

The Chairman of Ways and Means reported Metropolitan from the Committee on the Metropolitan Electric Tramways Tramways Bill; That they had examined the Bill, and amended the same, and found the same, as amended, to be true; and had gone through the Bill and made Amendments thereunto.

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

The Chairman of Ways and Means reported the Uxbridge Gas the Uxbridge Gas Bill, with Amendments.

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

The Chairman of Ways and Means reported from the Committee on the Plymouth and Stonehouse Stonehouse Gas Bill; That they had examined the allegations contained in the Preamble of the Bill, and 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.

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 Consolidated Consolidated Fund (No. 2) Bill, without any Amendment.

The Lords have agreed to the Naval and Naval and Military War Pensions, &c. (Expenses) Bill, without any Amendment.

The Lords have appointed a Committee consisting of Five Lords to join with a Com-mittee of the Commons to consider all Consolidation Bills in the present Session, and request the Commons to appoint an equal number of their Members to be joined with the said Lords.

The Lords have referred the Larcomery Larcomery Bill to the said Committee.

Resolved, That this House, at its rising this Sittings of day, do adjourn till Tuesday next.—(Mr. Lloyd the House, George.)

Ordered, That, until the House otherwise Ballot for determines, and so far as the House does not otherwise determine, no Public Bills other than Government Bills be introduced and no Ballot be taken for determining the precedence of such Bills.—(Mr. Lloyd George.)

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

Supply. (4th allotted Day.)
Royal Assent.

30th March. 1916.

(In the Committee.)

Civil Services and Revenue Departments Estimates, 1916–17.

Class I.

1. Motion made, and Question proposed, That a sum not exceeding £32,700 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 1917 for Expenditure in respect of Royal Palaces, including a Grant in Aid:

   Whereupon Motion made, and Question proposed, That a sum not exceeding £32,600 be granted for the said Service—(Mr. Ashley) — Motion, by leave, withdrawn.

   Original Question put, and agreed to.

2. £3,100 for Expenditure in respect of Osborne.

3. £54,000 for the Royal Parks and Pleasure Gardens.


5. £23,000 for Expenditure in respect of Miscellaneous Legal Buildings.

6. £43,200 for Expenditure in respect of Art and Science Buildings, Great Britain.

7. £17,900 for Expenditure in respect of Diplomatic and Consular Buildings, and for the maintenance of certain Cemeteries Abroad.

8. £350,600 for Customs and Excise, Inland Revenue, Post Office and Telegraph Buildings in Great Britain, and certain Post Offices Abroad.


10. £141,400 in respect of sundry Public Buildings in Great Britain, not provided for on other Votes.

Class II.

11. Motion made, and Question proposed, That a sum not exceeding £88,700 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 1917 for the Salaries and Expenses of the Office of the Commissioners of His Majesty's Works and Public Buildings:

   Whereupon, the Yeoman Usher of the Black Rod came with a Message from the House to attend the Lords Commissioners, the Chairman left the Chair.

   Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair.

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 the several Acts therein mentioned; and that the Lords thereby authorised had declared the Royal Assent to the said Acts, as follow:


Then the House again resolved itself into the said Committee of Supply.

(Ini the Committee.)

11. Question again proposed, That a sum not exceeding £88,700 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 1917 for the Salaries and Expenses of the Office of the Commissioners of His Majesty's Works and Public Buildings:

   Question put, and agreed to.

   Resolutions to be reported.

   Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair; and the Deputy Chairman reported, That the Committee had come to several Resolutions.

Ordered, That the Report be received upon Tuesday 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 Tuesday next, again resolve itself into the said Committee.

The Order of the day being read, for the Imperial Committee on the Imperial Institute (Management) Bill;

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

The Order of the day being read, for the Pacific Islands Regulations (Validation) Bill;

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

The Order of the day being read, for the Marriage Committee on the Marriage (Scotland) Bill;

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

The Order of the day being read, for the Local Committee on the Local Government (Emergency Provisions) Bill;

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

The Order of the day being read, for the War Risks Committee on the War Risks (Insurance by Trustees) Bill [Lords];

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

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

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

Whereupon Mr. Deputy Speaker, pursuant Adjournment, to the Order of the House of the 22nd 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. Speaker adjourned the House without Question put, pursuant to the Order of the House of the 22nd day of February last, it being then seven minutes after Eight of the clock, till Tuesday next, pursuant to the Resolution of the House of this day.

Tuesday, 4th April 1916.

PRAYERS.

THE Cardiff 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 Burnley Corporation Bill [Lords.] was read a second time, and committed.

The Swansea Harbour Bill [Lords.] was read a second time, and committed.

The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the North British Railway (substituted) Bill;

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

The Gas Provisional Orders 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 Amendments made by the Lords to the Aberdeen Corporation 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. Acland presented, by His Majesty's Command,—Copy of Report on Agricultural Education and the improvement of Live Stock in Wales in the years 1912-13 to 1914-15.

Mr. Acland also presented, pursuant to the directions of several Acts of Parliament,—Copy of the Trading with the Enemy (Vesting) Act, 1916.

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

National Relief Fund (Scotland.)

Welsh Church Act, 1914, No. 52.

Mr. Secretary Samuel 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 as regards Scotland up to the 30th September 1915.

Mr. Secretary Samuel also presented, pursuant to the directions of an Act of Parliament,—Copy of Account of Cash Receipts and Payments of the Welsh Church Commission for the period from 24th September 1914 to 31st December 1915; 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 the Welsh Church Act, 1914, be printed.

Mr. Montagu presented, pursuant to the National directions of several Acts of Parliament,—Copy of Regulations, dated 8th March 1916, made by the National Health Insurance Joint (Scotland) Committee, acting jointly with the Scottish Insurance Commissioners, entitled the National Health Insurance (Panel and Pharmaceutical Committees) Amendment Regulations (Scotland), 1916.

Copy of Regulations made by the Commissioners of Inland Revenue under the Finance (No. 2) Act, 1915, with respect to the assessment and collection of Income Tax in the case of weekly wage-earners, and the procedure to be adopted for the purpose.

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

Mr. Secretary Bonar Law presented, by Colonial His Majesty's Command,—Copies of Colonial Reports, Nos. 878 (Nigeria, Report for 1914) and 879 (Cayman Islands, Jamaica, Report for 1914-15).

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 the Trading with the Enemy (Vesting, Trading with and Application of Property) Amendment Rules, 1916, dated 29th March 1916, made by the Lord Chancellor under the Trading with the Enemy Amendment Act, 1915.

Ordered, That there be laid before this House Financial a Copy of Statement of Revenue and Expenditure as laid before the House by Mr. Chancellor of the Exchequer when opening the Budget,—No. 50. (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 Financial a Copy of Statement showing the amount of Taxes payable on certain Incomes, and the virtual rate of Income Tax charged in the £ under the existing Law and under the proposals made by Mr. Chancellor of the Exchequer on 4th April 1916.—(Mr. Montagu.)

Mr. Montagu accordingly presented the said Paper.

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

Thomas Owen Jacobsen, Esquire, Member for New Members the County of Chester (Hyde Division), was sworn.

Patrick Joseph Whitty, Esquire, Member for the North Louth Division of the County of Louth, was sworn.

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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. Lloyd George.]

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

(In the Committee.)

Entertainments Duty.

1. Motion made, and Question proposed, That there shall, on and after the first day of May, nineteen hundred and sixteen, be charged on all payments for admission to any entertainment of music, play, exhibition, performance, amusement, game, or sport) an Excise duty at the following rates (namely):—

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<td>Does not exceed 2d.</td>
<td>A halfpenny</td>
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<td>- One penny</td>
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<td>- Two pence</td>
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<td>- Three pence</td>
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<td>Exceeds 5s. 6d. and does not exceed 10s. 6d.</td>
<td>- Six pence</td>
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<td>Exceeds 10s. 6d., one shilling for the first 12s. 6d., and one shilling for every 10s. or part of 10s. over 12s. 6d.</td>
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—[Mr. Chancellor of the Exchequer.]

The Chairman called the attention of the Committee to the continued irrelevance on the part of Mr. Gwinnell, its Chairman, to the question at issue, and directed the honourable Member to discontinue his speech.

Question put, and agreed to.

Railway Fare Duties.

2. Resolved, That there shall be charged on railway fares, including any payment made in respect of travelling by railway, the following Excise duties (namely):—

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<tr>
<td>For every fare exceeding nine pence but not exceeding one shilling, a duty of one penny;</td>
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<td>For every fare exceeding one shilling, a duty of one penny for every shilling, and for every part of a shilling over one shilling.</td>
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<td>In the case of persons travelling from a place in the United Kingdom to any place in the British Islands—</td>
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<td>In the case of persons travelling from a place in the United Kingdom to a place outside the British Islands, on every fare a duty of four shillings if the fare is a first-class fare, three shillings if the fare is a second-class fare, and two shillings if the fare is a third-class fare.</td>
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—[Mr. Chancellor of the Exchequer.]

Matches (Excise).

4. Resolved, That there shall, on and after the fifth day of April, nineteen hundred and sixteen, be charged on matches made in Great Britain or Ireland an Excise duty at the rate of three shillings and four pence for every ten thousand matches so made, and so in proportion for any less quantity, and on a licence to be taken out annually by a manufacturer of matches an Excise duty of one pound.—[Mr. Chancellor of the Exchequer.]

Table Waters, &c.

5. Resolved, That there shall be charged upon table waters (including aerated waters and other beverages) sold, or supplied for sale or supply, in Great Britain or Ireland the following duties of Excise (namely):—

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<td>Where the payment—</td>
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—[Mr. Chancellor of the Exchequer.]

Machines for Aerating Waters.

6. Resolved, That there shall be charged on every aerating machine, contrivance for making aeration of any description, an Excise duty of five guineas.—[Mr. Chancellor of the Exchequer.]

Cider and Perry.

7. Resolved, That there shall be charged on any cider or perry sold or supplied, or kept for sale or supply, in Great Britain or Ireland a duty of Excise at the rate of four pence per gallon, the duty to be charged in the like manner as the duty on table waters is charged.—[Mr. Chancellor of the Exchequer.]

Cocoa.

8. Resolved, That in lieu of the duties of Customs now payable on cocoa imported into Great Britain or Ireland there shall, on and after the fifth day of April, nineteen hundred and sixteen, be charged the following duties (that is to say):—

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<tr>
<td>Cocoa</td>
<td>- the lb. 0 0 6</td>
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<tr>
<td>Cocoa husks and shells</td>
<td>the cwt. 0 12 0</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>Cocoa butter</td>
<td>- the lb. 0 0 6</td>
</tr>
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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.—[Mr. Chancellor of the Exchequer.]

Coffee.

9. Resolved, That in lieu of the duties of Customs now payable on coffee imported into Great Britain or Ireland there shall, on and after the fifth day of April, nineteen hundred and sixteen, be charged the following duties (that is to say):—

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<td>Coffee</td>
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and so in proportion for any less quantity.
Coffee (not kiln-dried, roasted, or ground) - - - the cwt. 2 2 0
Coffee (kiln-dried, roasted, or ground) - - - the lb. 0 0 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.)

Chicory (Customs).

10. Resolved, That in lieu of the duties of Customs now payable on chicory imported into Great Britain or Ireland there shall, on and after the fifth day of April, nineteen hundred and sixteen, be charged the following duties (that is to say):—

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<th>Description</th>
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<td>Chicory, raw or kiln-dried</td>
<td>1 19 8</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>Chicory, roasted or ground</td>
<td>0 0 6</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.—

(Mr. Chancellor of the Exchequer.)

Chicory, &c. (Excise).

11. Resolved, That in lieu of the duty of Excise now payable on chicory there shall, on and after the fifth day of April, nineteen hundred and sixteen, be charged the following duty (that is to say):—

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and so in proportion for any less quantity; and in lieu of 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, or on any mixture of any such article or substance with coffee or chicory, there shall, on and after the fifth day of April, nineteen hundred and sixteen, be charged the following duty (that is to say) —

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<th>Description</th>
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<tr>
<td>For every quarter of a pound of any such article, substance, or mixture</td>
<td>- - - 0 0 1 ½</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.—

(Mr. Chancellor of the Exchequer.)

Sugars (Customs).

12. 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 fifth day of April, nineteen hundred and sixteen, be charged the following duties:—

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<th>Description</th>
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<td>Sugar of a polarisation exceeding 98 degrees</td>
<td>- - - the cwt. 0 14 0</td>
</tr>
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<td>Sugar of a polarisation not exceeding 76 degrees</td>
<td>- - - the cwt. 0 6 9</td>
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and intermediate duties varying between 14s. and 6s. 9d. on sugar of a polarisation not exceeding 98 and exceeding 76 degrees.

Sugars (Excise).

13. Resolved, That in lieu of the duties of Excise now payable on sugar made in Great Britain or Ireland there shall, on and after the fifth day of April, nineteen hundred and sixteen, be charged the following duties:—

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<td>Sugar of a polarisation not exceeding 76 degrees</td>
<td>- - - the cwt. 0 5 7</td>
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and intermediate duties varying between 11s. 8d. and 5s. 7d. 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 polariscop)—

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<tr>
<th>Description</th>
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<tr>
<td>if containing 70 per cent. or more of sweetening matter</td>
<td>- - - the cwt. 0 7 4 ½</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>if containing less than 70 per cent. and more than 50 per cent. of sweetening matter</td>
<td>- - - the cwt. 0 5 3 ½</td>
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<tr>
<td>if containing not more than 50 per cent. of sweetening matter</td>
<td>- - - the cwt. 0 2 7 ½</td>
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Glucose—

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<td>Solid</td>
<td>- - - the cwt. 0 8 10 ¼</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>Liquid</td>
<td>- - - the cwt. 0 6 4 ½</td>
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Saccharin (including substances of a like nature or use) the oz. 0 4 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.)

Motor Cars.

14. Resolved, That in lieu of any Excise duty now payable for motor cars there shall be
charged, both for Great Britain and Ireland, in each year (including the year beginning the first day of January, nineteen hundred and sixteen), for every motor bicycle, motor tricycle, and for every other motor car, duties at the following rates calculated in accordance with horse-power, the rate of horse-power for the purposes of the duty being reckoned in accordance with regulations made by the Treasury for the purpose:

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<th>Horse Power.</th>
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<td>Not exceeding 6</td>
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<td>Exceeding 6 and not exceeding 12</td>
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<td>Exceeding 12 and not exceeding 16</td>
<td>6 6 0</td>
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<td>Exceeding 16 and not exceeding 26</td>
<td>8 8 0</td>
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<td>Exceeding 26 and not exceeding 33</td>
<td>18 18 0</td>
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<td>Exceeding 33 and not exceeding 49</td>
<td>25 4 0</td>
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<td>Exceeding 49 and not exceeding 69</td>
<td>31 10 0</td>
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<td>Exceeding 69 and not exceeding 99</td>
<td>63 0 0</td>
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<td>Exceeding 99</td>
<td>126 0 0</td>
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</table>

Motor Cycles—
Not exceeding 4 | - |
Exceeding 4 | Three-quarters of the duty which would be payable in the case of a motor car.

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.
15. Resolved, That—
(a) Income Tax shall be charged for the year beginning the sixth day of April, nineteen hundred and sixteen, at the rate of five shillings in the pound; and that the same Super Tax be charged for that year as was charged for the year beginning the sixth day of April, nineteen hundred and fifteen; 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 ten of the Finance Act, 1915, and Part II. of the Finance (No. 2) Act, 1915, with respect to the Income Tax charged for the year beginning the sixth day of April, nineteen hundred and fifteen, 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.)

Earned Income.
16. Resolved, That—
(a) the relief given in respect of earned income shall be modified so as to allow relief only as follows, namely, relief by way of reduction of the rate of the tax to—

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<td>Exceeding 12 and not exceeding 16</td>
<td>3s. 0d.</td>
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<tr>
<td>Exceeding 16 and not exceeding 26</td>
<td>2s. 6d.</td>
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<td>Exceeding 26 and not exceeding 33</td>
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<td>Exceeding 49 and not exceeding 69</td>
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<td>1s. 0d.</td>
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(b) 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.)

Unearned Income (Graduated Relief).
17. Resolved, That—
(a) the relief given by section six of the Finance Act, 1914, shall cease, but where the total income of an individual from all sources does not exceed two thousand pounds, such relief shall be given by way of repayment as will reduce the rate of the tax on his unearned income to—

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(b) 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.)

Provision as to Service in the Navy or Army.
18. Resolved, That, for the purpose of any relief under the Acts relating to Income Tax, a person shall not be deemed to have served as a member of the naval or military forces of the Crown unless in the year for which relief is claimed he has served on the active list of the Navy or with the colours, either out of the British Islands or for at least one month continuously in the British Islands. —(Mr. Chancellor of the Exchequer.)

Excess Profits Duty.
19. Resolved, That—
(a) excess profits duty under Part III. of the Finance (No. 2) Act, 1915, shall be charged for any accounting period ending on or after the first day of July, nineteen hundred and fifteen; and
(b) excess profits duty shall be an amount equal to sixty per centum, instead of fifty per centum, of the excess profits in the case of trades or businesses which have commenced after the fourth day of August, nineteen hundred and fourteen, for all accounting periods ending after
the fourth day of August, nineteen hundred and fifteen, and in the case of other trades or businesses, for any accounting period ending after the completion of the first year in respect of which that trade or business has been liable to that duty; and
(e) the excess mineral rights duty under section forty-three of the Finance (No. 2) Act, 1915, shall be an amount equal to sixty per centum, instead of fifty per centum, of the excess rent in the case of minerals which have become subject to a mining lease after the fourth day of August, nineteen hundred and fourteen, for all accounting years, and in the case of other minerals, for any accounting year ending after the completion of the first accounting year.
(Mr. Chancellor of the Exchequer.)

Excess Profits in case of Companies where Directors have Controlling Interest.

20. Resolved, That companies or other bodies corporate whose directors (including managers) who are remunerated out of the funds of the company or body corporate have a controlling interest may be treated, for the purposes of excess profits duty for any accounting period (including a past accounting period), as if they were firms and not companies or bodies corporate.
(Mr. Chancellor of the Exchequer.)

Explanatory Provisions as to Accounting Periods and Accumulating Profits.

21. Resolved, That it is expedient to declare—
(a) that any period for which the books of a trade or business have been made up for any purpose, so that the profits for the period can be readily ascertained, may be treated as an accounting period for the purposes of excess profits duty; and
(b) that the profits accumulating during the accounting period are not to be treated, for the purposes of excess profits duty, as accumulated profits or as capital employed in the trade or business.
(Mr. Chancellor of the Exchequer.)

Excess Profits Duty on Sale of Assets.

22. Resolved, That there shall be charged on any sum by which the price given on the sale of any asset capable of producing profits exceeds the pre-war value of that asset a duty of sixty per centum of the excess.—(Mr. Chancellor of the Exchequer.)

Extended Power to Borrow.

23. Resolved, That the Treasury may borrow, for the purpose of raising any sums which they are authorised to issue under any Consolidated Fund Act or Appropriation Act, or for the purpose of paying off any securities issued under any such Act, in the same manner as they are authorised to borrow under subsection (1) of section one of the War Loan Act, 1915.—(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.
Wednesday, 5th April 1916.

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.:

Weston - super - Mare Grand Pier Bill [Lords].

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time.

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

Great Central and Sheffield and District Railways [Lords].

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

The House proceeded to take into consideration the Metropolitan Electric Tramways Bill, as amended in the Committee.

Ordered, That the Bill be read the third time.

The House proceeded to take into consideration the Plymouth and Stonehouse Gas Bill, as amended in the Committee.

Ordered, That the Bill be read the third time.

The House proceeded to take into consideration the Uxbridge Gas Bill, as amended in the Committee.

Ordered, That the Bill be read the third time.

The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the North British Railway (substituted) Bill;

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

Mr. McKinnon Wood presented a Bill to confirm a Provisional Order under the Private Legislation Procedure (Scotland) Act, 1899, relating to Edinburgh Corporation: And the same was read the first time, and ordered (under Section 9 of the Act) to be read a second time upon Thursday the 13th day of this instant April; and to be printed. 

The Lord Advocate presented, by His Majesty's Command,—Copy of Fifty-eighth Annual Report of His Majesty's Inspector of Constabulary for Scotland, for the year 1915.

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

Ordered, That there be laid before this House a Return showing the estimated quantities of Coal raised in the United Kingdom in each quarter of the year 1915, compared with particulars for the corresponding periods of 1914 (in continuation of Parliamentary Paper, No. 389 of Session 1914-16).—(Mr. Runciman.)

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

The Lords have passed a Bill, intituled An Van Diemen's Act for granting additional powers to the Van Diemen's Land Company; to which the Lords desire the concurrence of this House.

The Lords have passed a Bill, intituled An Canada Act for staving the winding-up of the Canada Company; for enabling the Company to allot and issue further paid-up capital to the existing shareholders; for granting additional powers to the Company; for providing for a capital recoupment fund; for amending the Company's charter, and for consolidating and amending the Acts relating to the Company, and for other purposes; to which the Lords desire the concurrence of this House.

The Van Diemen's Land Company Bill [Lords] was read the first time.

Ordered, That the Bill be referred to the Examiners of Petitions for Private Bills.

The Canada Company Bill [Lords] was read the first time.

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The Imperial Continental Gas Association Bill [Lords] was read the first time.

Ordered, That the Bill be referred to the Examiners of Petitions for Private Bills.

Mr. Birrell presented a Bill to amend the Education (Provision of Meals) (Ireland) Act, 1914; and the same was ordered to be read a second time to-morrow; and to be printed. Bill 16.

Mr. Birrell presented a Bill to repeal certain Religious Orders Relief Acts; and to make further provision in connection with the Roman Catholic Religious Orders, Communities, and Societies: And the same was ordered to be read a second time to-morrow; and to be printed.

Ordered, That the proceedings on Government Business be not interrupted this night under the Standing Order (Sittings of the House), and may be entered upon at any time though opposed.—(Mr. Secretary Bonar Law.)

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

(In the Committee.)

Amendment of Law.

Resolved, That it is expedient to amend the Law relating to the National Debt, Customs, and Inland Revenue (including Excise), and to make further provison in connection with Finance.—(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
move, That the Committee may have leave to
sit again.

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

Mr. Rea reported from the Committee of
Ways and Means of the 4th day of this instant
April several Resolutions; which were read, as
follow:

Entertainments Duty.

1. That there shall, on and after the first
day of May, nineteen hundred and sixteen, be
charged on all payments for admission to any entertain-
ment (including any exhibition, performance,
amusement, game, or sport) an Excise duty at the
following rates (namely):—

Where the payment—

- does not exceed 2d. - A halfpenny;
- exceeds 2d. and does not
  exceed 6d. - - One penny;
- exceeds 6d. and does not
  exceed 2s. 6d. - - Two pence;
- exceeds 2s. 6d. and does
  not exceed 5s. Three pence;
- exceeds 5s. and does not
  exceed 7s. 6d. - - Six pence;
- exceeds 7s. 6d. and does
  not exceed 12s. 6d. - One shilling;
- exceeds 12s. 6d., one shilling for the first
  12s. 6d., and one shilling for every 10s.
  or part of 10s. over 12s. 6d.

Railway Fare Duties.

2. That there shall be charged on railway
fares, including any payment made in respect of
travelling by railway, the following Excise
duties (namely):—

(1) In the case of persons travelling from a
place in the United Kingdom to any place
in the British Islands—

On every fare exceeding nine pence but
not exceeding one shilling, a duty of
one penny;

On every fare exceeding one shilling, a duty of
one penny for every shilling, and for every part of a shilling over
one shilling.

(2) In the case of persons travelling from a
place in the United Kingdom to a place
outside the British Islands, on every fare a
duty of four shillings if the fare be a first-
class fare, three shillings if the fare be a second-class fare, and two shillings if the fare be a third-class fare.

Matches (Customs).

3. That there shall, on and after the fifth
day of April, nineteen hundred and sixteen, be
charged on matches imported into Great Britain
or Ireland a duty of Customs at the rate of three
shillings and six pence for every ten thousand
matches so made, and so in proportion for any
less quantity, and on a licence to be taken out
annually by a manufacturer of matches an Excise
duty of one pound.

Table Waters, &c.

5. That there shall be charged upon table Table Waters,
water (including aerated waters and other &c.
beverages) sold or supplied, or kept for sale
or supply, in Great Britain or Ireland the
following duties of Excise (namely):—

On table waters which contain as the result of the ordinary process of manufacture, or
are prepared in the ordinary process of manufacture with, sugar or other sweetening
material, or which are fermented bever-
ages, a duty at the rate of four pence per
gallon; and

On any other table water, a duty at the rate of
eight pence per gallon:

the duty to be charged in proportion for any
less quantity than a gallon, reckoning fractions
of a farthing as a farthing in the case of the
duty of four pence, and fractions of a halfpenny
as a halfpenny in the case of the duty of eight
pence.

Machines for Aerating Waters.

6. That there shall be charged on a licence, Machines for
be taken out annually by a person who keeps
for use any machine or mechanical contrivance
for making aerated water of any description, an
Excise duty of five guineas.

Cider and Perry.

7. That there shall be charged on any cider Cider and
or perry sold or supplied, or kept for sale or Perry.
supply, in Great Britain or Ireland a duty of
Excise at the rate of four pence per gallon, the
duty to be charged in the like manner as the
duty on table waters is charged.

Cocoa.

8. That in lieu of the duties of Customs Cocoa.
now payable on cocoa imported into Great
Britain or Ireland there shall, on and after the
fifth day of April, nineteen hundred and sixteen,
be charged the following duties (that is to say):—

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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.

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statutory effect under the provisions of the
Provisional Collection of Taxes Act, 1913.

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Chicory (Excise.)

10. That in lieu of the duties of Customs now payable on chicory imported into Great Britain or Ireland there shall, on and after the fifth day of April, nineteen hundred and sixteen, be charged the following duties (that is to say):

Chicory, raw or kiln-dried
the cwt. 1 19 8

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, &c. (Excise.)

11. That in lieu of the duty of Excise now payable on chicory there shall, on and after the fifth day of April, nineteen hundred and sixteen, be charged the following duty (that is to say):

Chicory, raw or kiln-dried
the cwt. 1 18 6

and so in proportion for any less quantity; and in lieu of 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, or on any mixture of any such article or substance with coffee or chicory, there shall, on and after the fifth day of April, nineteen hundred and sixteen, be charged the following duty (that is to say):

For every quarter of a pound of any such article, substance, or mixture

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.

Sugar (Excise.)

12. That in lieu of the duties of Customs now payable on sugar imported into Great Britain or Ireland there shall, on and after the fifth day of April, nineteen hundred and sixteen, be charged the following duties:

Sugar of a polarisation exceeding 98 degrees
the cwt. 0 14 0

and intermediate duties varying between 11x. 8d. and 3s. 7d. 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
the cwt. 0 7 4½

if containing less than 70 per cent. and more than 50 per cent. of sweetening matter
the cwt. 0 5 3½

if containing not more than 50 per cent. of sweetening matter
the cwt. 0 2 7½

Glucose—
Solid - - the cwt. 0 8 10½
Liquid - - the cwt. 0 6 4½

Saccharin (including substances of a like nature or use) the oz. 0 4 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.

Sugar (Excise.)

13. That in lieu of the duties of Excise now payable on sugar made in Great Britain or (Excise.) Ireland there shall, on and after the fifth day of April, nineteen hundred and sixteen, be charged the following duties:

Sugar of a polarisation exceeding 98 degrees
the cwt. 0 11 8

and intermediate duties varying between 11x. 8d. and 3s. 7d. 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
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Motor Cars.

14. That in lieu of any Excise duty now Motor Cars payable for motor cars there shall be charged, both for Great Britain and Ireland, in each year (including the year beginning the first day of January, nineteen hundred and sixteen), for every motor bicycle, motor tricycle, and for every other motor car, duties at the following rates calculated in accordance with horse-power, the unit of horse-power for the purposes of the duty being reckoned in accordance with regulations made by the Treasury for the purpose:

Horse Power.

Duty. £ s. d.

Motor Cars—
Not exceeding 6½ - - 4 4 0
Exceeding 6½ and not exceeding 12 - - 6 6 0
Income Tax.

15. That—
(a) Income Tax shall be charged for the year beginning the sixth day of April, nineteen hundred and sixteen, at the rate of five shillings in the pound; and that the same Super Tax be charged for that year as was charged for the year beginning the sixth day of April, nineteen hundred and fifteen; 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 ten of the Finance Act, 1915, and Part II. of the Finance (No. 2) Act, 1915, with respect to the Income Tax charged for the year beginning the sixth day of April, nineteen hundred and fifteen, 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.

Earned Income.

16. That—
(a) the relief given in respect of earned income shall be modified so as to allow relief only as follows, namely, relief by way of reduction of the rate of the tax to—
2s. 3d. if the total income does not exceed five hundred pounds;
2s. 6d. if the total income exceeds five hundred pounds and does not exceed one thousand pounds;
3s. if the total income exceeds one thousand pounds and does not exceed one thousand five hundred pounds;
3s. 6d. if the total income exceeds one thousand five hundred pounds and does not exceed two thousand pounds;
4s. if the total income exceeds two thousand pounds and does not exceed two thousand five hundred pounds;
(b) 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.

Unearned Income (Graduated Relief).

17. That—
(a) the relief given by section six of the Finance Act, 1914, shall cease, but where the total income of an individual from all sources does not exceed two thousand pounds, such relief shall be given by way of repayment as will reduce the rate of the tax on his unearned income to—
3s. if the total income does not exceed three hundred pounds;
3s. 6d. if the total income exceeds three hundred pounds and does not exceed five hundred pounds;
4s. if the total income exceeds five hundred pounds and does not exceed one thousand pounds;
4s. 6d. if the total income exceeds one thousand pounds and does not exceed two thousand pounds; and
(b) 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.

Provision as to Service in the Navy or Army.

18. That, for the purpose of any relief under the Acts relating to Income Tax, a person shall not be deemed to have served as a member of the naval or military forces of the Crown unless in the year for which relief is claimed he has served on the active list of the Navy or with the colours, either out of the British Islands or for at least one month continuously in the British Islands.

Excess Profits Duty.

19. That—
(a) excess profits duty under Part III. of the Finance (No. 2) Act, 1915, shall be charged for any accounting period ending on or after the first day of July, nineteen hundred and fifteen; and
(b) excess profits duty shall be an amount equal to sixty per centum, instead of fifty per centum, of the excess profits in the case of trades or businesses which have commenced after the fourth day of April, nineteen hundred and fifteen, and in the case of other trades or businesses, for any accounting period ending after the fourth day of August, nineteen hundred and fourteen, for all accounting periods ending after the fourth day of August, nineteen hundred and fifteen, and in the case of other trades or businesses, for any accounting period ending after the completion of the first year in respect of which that trade or business has been liable to that duty; and
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22. That there shall be charged on any sum by which the price given on the sale of any asset capable of producing profits exceeds the pre-war value of that asset a duty of sixty per centum of the excess.

23. That the Treasury may borrow, for the purpose of raising any sums which they are authorised to issue under any Consolidated Fund Act or Appropriation Act, or for the purpose of paying off any securities issued under any such Act, in the same manner as they are authorised to borrow under subsection (1) of section one of the War Loan Act, 1915.

The first seven 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. Montagu do prepare and bring it in.

Mr. Chancellor of the Exchequer accordingly presented a Bill to impose Duties in respect of admission to Entertainments, Railway Fares, Matches, Table Waters and other beverages, and Cider, and for purposes connected therewith: And the same was read the first time, and ordered to be read a second time to-morrow; and to be printed.

Ordered, That the Eighth and subsequent Resolutions, which were reported from the Committee of Ways and Means this day, be taken into further consideration to-morrow.

The House, according to Order, resolved itself into a Committee on Finance [New Duties] [Expenses].

(In the Committee.)

Resolved, That it is expedient to authorise the payment, out of moneys provided by Parliament, of certain Expenses incurred by local or police authorities in carrying out any arrangement in connection with any duty payable under any Act of the present Session to impose duties in respect of admission to entertainments.—(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 Order of the day being read, for the Committee on the Pacific Islands Regulations (Validation) Bill; &c.

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 Marriage (Scotland) Bill.

(In the Committee.)

Clauses No. 1 to No. 5 agreed to.

Schedule agreed to.

Bill to be reported.

Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair; and the Deputy Chairman reported, That the Committee had gone through the Bill, and directed him to report the same, without Amendment.

Ordered, That the Bill be 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 War Risks Committee on the War Risks (Insurance by Trustees) Bill [Lords];

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

The Order of the day being read, for the Imperial Committee on the Imperial Institute (Management) Bill; &c.

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

The Order of the day being read, for the Local Committee on the Local Government (Emergency Provisions) Bill; &c.

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; &c.

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 30th day of March last;

Ordered, That the Report be received to-morrow.

Ordered, That so much of the Lords' Message Consolidation of Bills.

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 30th day of March last, 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. Nield, Mr. John O'Connor, Mr. Radford, Mr. Charles Roberts, and Mr. Solicitor General were nominated Members of the Select Committee.

Ordered. That Three be the quorum of the Committee.—(Mr. Gulland.)

Whereupon Mr. Deputy Speaker, pursuant to the Order of the House of the 22nd 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 22nd day of February last, it being then eighteen minutes before Ten of the clock, till to-morrow.

Thursday, 6th April 1916.

PRAYERS.

The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the North British Railway (substituted) Bill;

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

Mr. Birrell presented a Bill to confirm a Provisional Order of the Local Government Board for Ireland relating to the City of Dublin; 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.

Secretary Sir Edward Grey presented, by His Majesty's Government and the French Government to Neutral Governments regarding the examination of Parcels and Letter Mails.

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

Mr. Birrell presented, pursuant to the directions of several Acts of Parliament,—Return of the several descriptions of qualifications under the Militia Act, 1882, lodged with the Clerk of General Meetings of Lieutenancy in Ireland by Deputy Lieutenants during the year 1915, as Vol. 171.

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 30th day of March last, 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. Nield, Mr. John O'Connor, Mr. Radford, Mr. Charles Roberts, and Mr. Solicitor General were nominated Members of the Select Committee.

Ordered. That Three be the quorum of the Committee.—(Mr. Gulland.)

Whereupon Mr. Deputy Speaker, pursuant to the Order of the House of the 22nd day of February last, proposed the Question, That this House do now adjourn.

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Another Amendment was proposed to be made to the Question, by adding at the end thereof the words "or his salary as a holder of any office paid out of public funds."—(Colonel Craig.)

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

An Amendment was proposed to be made to the said proposed Amendment, by inserting, after the word "public," the words "or civic."—(Mr. Ashley.)

And the Question being proposed, That the words "or civic" be those inserted in the said proposed Amendment.—The Amendment to the said proposed Amendment was, with leave of the House, withdrawn.

And the said proposed Amendment and Motion were severally, with leave of the House, withdrawn.

Supply.

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 receiving the Report from the Committee of Supply of the 30th day of March last:
Ordered, That the Report be received upon Monday next.

War Risks (Insurance by Trustees) Bill [Lords].

The Order of the day being read, for the Committee on the War Risks (Insurance by Trustees) Bill [Lords];
Resolved, That this House will, upon Monday next, resolve itself into the said Committee.

Pacific Islands Regulations (Validation) Bill.

The Order of the day being read, for the Committee on the Pacific Islands Regulations (Validation) Bill;
Resolved, That this House will, upon Monday next, resolve itself into the said Committee.

Imperial Institute (Management) Bill.

The Order of the day being read, for the Committee on the Imperial Institute (Management) Bill;
Resolved, That this House will, upon Monday next, resolve itself into the said Committee.

Local Government (Emergency Provisions) Bill.

The Order of the day being read, for the Committee on the Local Government (Emergency Provisions) Bill;
Resolved, That this House will, upon Monday next, resolve itself into the said Committee.

Education (Provision of Meals) (Ireland) Bill.

The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Education (Provision of Meals) (Ireland) Bill;
Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time upon Monday next.

Religious Orders Relief Bill.

The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Religious Orders Relief 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 Ways and Means of the 5th day of this instant April;
Ordered, That the Report be received upon Monday next.

Ways and Means.

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

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

The Order of the day being read, for the Finance Second Reading of the Finance (New Duties) (New Duties) Bill;
Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time upon Monday next.

The Order of the day being read, for taking Ways and Means into consideration the Eighth and subsequent Resolutions which, upon the 5th day of this instant April, were reported from the Committee of Ways and Means of the 4th day of this instant April;
Ordered, That the said Resolutions be taken into further consideration upon Monday next.

The Order of the day being read, for receiving Finance the Report from the Committee on Finance (New Duties) [Expenses];
Ordered, That the Report be received upon Monday next.

Whereupon Mr. Speaker, pursuant to the Adjournment Order of the House of the 22nd 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 22nd day of February last, it being then three minutes after Eight of the clock, till Monday next, pursuant to the Order of the House of the 22nd day of February last.

Monday, 10th April 1916.

PRAYERS.

Mr. Speaker laid upon the Table,—Report Private Bills [Lords] from one of the Examiners of Petitions for Private Bills, That in the case of the following Bills, originating in the Lords, and referred previously to the First Reading thereof, the Standing Orders not previously inquired into, which are applicable thereto, have been complied with, viz.:
Canada Company Bill [Lords].
Van Diemen's Land Company Bill [Lords].
Imperial Continental Gas Association Bill [Lords].
Ordered, That the Bills be read a second time.

Mr. Speaker laid upon the Table,—Report Provisional Order Bills [Standing Orders not previously inquired into, which are applicable thereto, have been complied with, viz.:
Electric Lighting Provisional Order Bill.
Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time to-morrow.

The Metropolitan Electric Tramways Bill Metropolitan Electric was, according to Order, read the third time and passed.
Ordered, That the Clerk do carry the Bill to the Lords, and desire their concurrence.
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Tuesday, 11th April 1916.

**PRAYERS.**

A VERBAL Amendment was made to the Colonial Bank Bill.

The Bill was read the third time and passed.

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

The Electric Lighting Provisional Order Bill was, according to Order, read a second time, and committed.

**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 for Queen's County (Ossory Division), in the room of William Delany, Esquire, deceased.—(Mr. Patrick O'Brien.)

Mr. Montague presented, by His Majesty's Command,—Copy of Report of the Director of the National Gallery of Ireland for the year 1915.

**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 March 1916, under the Colonial Probates Act, 1892, applying the Act to Sierra Leone.

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 30th day of March last;

**Ordered,** That the Report be received to-morrow.

The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Education (Provision of Meals) (Ireland) Bill;

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

The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Religious Orders Relief 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 North British Railway (substituted) Bill;

**Ordered,** That the Bill be read a second time to-morrow, at a quarter of an hour after Eight of the clock.

Adjournment.

Whereupon Mr. Speaker, pursuant to the Order of the House of the 22nd 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 Nine of the clock, adjourned till to-morrow.

Colonial Bank Bill

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Electric Lighting Provisional Order Bill.

Queen's County (Ossory Division) Writ.

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Copy of Order in Council under the Foreign Jurisdiction Act, 1890, dated 30th March 1916, relative to various Protectorates.

Copies of Three Orders in Council under the Foreign Jurisdiction Acts, 1890 and 1913, dated 30th March 1916, applying the Colonial and Probates Act, 1892, and the Colonial Prisoners Removal Act, 1869, to various Colonies.

Copy of Order in Council under the Merchant Shipping Act, 1894, and the Merchant Shipping (Mercantile Marine Fund) Act, 1898, relative to Light Dues.

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

Mr. Birlot presented, pursuant to the directions of an Act of Parliament,—Copy of Tribunals Munitions (Appeal) Rules (Ireland), dated 1916, ordered to be read a second time to-morrow;— Copy of Order in Council, dated 30th March 1916, relative to the Royal Naval Act, 1875, and Marine Pay and Pensions Act, 1865, dated 30th March 1916, relative to the Royal Naval Air Service.

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 the Lords' one of their Clerks, as follows:

The Lords have agreed to the Army (Annual) Bill, without any Amendment.

Mr. Montague, supported by Mr. Hayes Fisher, Municipal Savings Banks Bill, presented a Bill to facilitate the investment of Savings in securities issued for the purpose of the present War by means of the establishment of Municipal Savings Banks: 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 Imperial Institute (Management) Bill.

(In the Committee.)

Clauses No. 1 and No. 2 agreed to.

Schedule.

Amendment proposed, in p. 3, l. 5, to leave out the word "two," in order to insert the word "four."—(Sir J. D. Rees.)

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

Another Amendment proposed, in p. 3, l. 16, after the word "fourteen," to add the words "of whom one shall be a member of the Governing Body of the Imperial College of Technology and one a member of the Senate of the University of London."—(Sir Philip Magnus.)

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

Schedule agreed to.

Preamble agreed to.

Bill to be reported.

Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair; and the Chairman of Ways and Means reported, That the Committee had gone through the Bill, and directed him to report the same, without Amendment.

**Ordered,** That the Bill be now read the third time:—The Bill was accordingly read the third time and passed.
Ordered, That the Clerk do carry the Bill to the Lords, and desire their concurrence.

The House, according to Order, resolved itself into a Committee on the Pacific Islands Regulations (Validation) Bill.

(In the Committee.)

Clauses No. 1 and No. 2 agreed to.
Preamble agreed to.
Bill to be reported.

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(In the Committee.)

Clauses No. 1 and No. 2 agreed to.

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Ordered, That the Bill be now read the third time:—The Bill was accordingly read the third time and passed.

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 Local Government (Emergency Provisions) Bill.

(In the Committee.)

Clause No. 1 (Payment to officers, &c. of local authorities in naval or military service).

Amendment proposed, in p. 1, l. 16, to leave out the words "the amount of his naval or military pay and allowances," in order to insert the words—

"(i) in the case of a married man, the amount of his naval or military pay and allowances; and the amount of the compulsory deductions from his pay;

(ii) in the case of an unmarried man, the amount of his naval or military pay."

—(Mr. Albion Richardson.)

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. 21, to leave out the words "previously paid to him, her, or them," in order to insert the words "paid to him during his civil employment by such local authority."—(Mr. Albion Richardson.)

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

Other Amendments made.

Another Amendment proposed, in p. 2, l. 26, to leave out the words "up to the date of the passing of this Act."—(Sir William Ryland Adkins.)

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 add the words—

"(4) Where any local authority has adopted a scale of payments for its officers and servants serving in or with His Majesty's forces in accordance with or not exceeding the scale of payments laid down for officers and servants of His Majesty's Civil Service so serving, it shall not be necessary for any such local authority to obtain the sanction of the Local Government Board as required by this section, and any payments made in accordance with such scale shall be deemed to be and have been lawfully made."—(Mr. Percy Harris.)

Question proposed, That those words be there added:

Amendment proposed to the proposed Amendment, at the end, to add the words "Provided that if the scale of payments laid down for officers and servants of His Majesty's Civil Service so serving, it shall not be necessary for any such local authority to obtain the sanction of the Local Government Board as required by this section, and any payments made in accordance with such scale shall be deemed to be and have been lawfully made."—(Mr. Percy Harris.)

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

Another Amendment proposed, in p. 2, l. 31, at the end, to add the words—

"(4) Where any local authority has adopted a scale of payments for its officers and servants serving in or with His Majesty's forces in accordance with or not exceeding the scale of payments laid down for officers and servants of His Majesty's Civil Service so serving, it shall not be necessary for any such local authority to obtain the sanction of the Local Government Board as required by this section, and any payments made in accordance with such scale shall be deemed to be and have been lawfully made."—(Mr. Percy Harris.)

Question proposed, That those words be there added:

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

Proposed words there added.

Clause, as amended, agreed to.

Clause No. 2 amended, and agreed to.

Clause No. 3 (Reckoning service for superannuation).

Amendment proposed, in p. 3, l. 2, after the word "forces," to insert the words "or on munition or other work for the Government."—(Mr. Albion Richardson.)

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

Amendments made.

Clause, as amended, agreed to.

Clause No. 4 (Allowances to persons appointed as temporary substitute).

Amendment proposed, in p. 3, l. 24, after "1898," to insert the words "or any other Superannuation Act or scheme."—(Mr. Albion Richardson.)

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

Clause No. 5 (Provisions as to notification of diseases).

Amendment proposed, in p. 3, l. 38, after the word "shall," to insert the words "in the case of measles."—(Sir Philip Magnus.)

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

Amendments made.

Another Amendment proposed, in p. 4, l. 14, after the word "shilling," to insert the words " and no more."—(Mr. King.)

Amendment, by leave, withdrawn.

Clause, as amended, agreed to.

Clause No. 6 (Use of local authority's premises and officers for military purposes).

Amendment proposed, in p. 4, l. 17, to leave out from the beginning of the Clause to the word "the," in l. 18.—(Sir John Harmsden-Bonser.)

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. 7 (Expenses of Metropolitan Asylums Board).

Amendment proposed, in p. 4, l. 39, at the end, to add the words "Provided that the masters of the bench, treasurer, governors, or other body or persons having the chief control or authority of the Inner Temple, Middle Temple, Lincoln's Inn, and Gray's Inn, shall contribute annually to the managers of the Metropolitan Asylums District such sums as the Local Government Board may certify to be equal to the sum properly applicable to the expenses of the said managers out of the sums contributed by the authorities aforesaid to the Metropolitan Common Poor Fund for the year ending on the thirty-first day of March, nineteen hundred and fifteen."—(Mr. Percy Harris.)

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

Clause agreed to.

Clause No. 8 agreed to.

Clause No. 9 (Calculation of amounts payable in respect of pauper lunatics).

Amendment proposed, in p. 5, l. 16, to leave out the words " the London," in order to insert the word " a."—(Mr. Jonathan Samuel.)

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

Clause disagreed to.

Clauses No. 10 to No. 12 agreed to.

Clause No. 13 amended, and agreed to.

Clauses No. 14 to No. 16 agreed to.

Clause No. 17 (Amendment of 5 & 6 Geo. 5, c. 70, s. 1.).

Amendment proposed, in p. 8, l. 9, at the end, to add the words—

"(2) The Elections and Registration Act, 1915, shall be deemed to have had effect so as to extend by one year in all cases the term of office of an alderman of a municipal borough (including a metropolitan borough)."—(Mr. Montague Barlow.)

Question proposed, That those words be there added:

Proposed Amendment amended, in l. 3, by leaving out the words " (including a metropolitan borough)."—(Mr. Hayes Fisher.)

Proposed words, as amended, there added.

Clause, as amended, agreed to.

Clause No. 18 (Sanction of expenditure under 6 Geo. 5, c. 4). Amendment proposed, in p. 8, l. 21, to leave out the words " not as such."—(Mr. Turtorn.)

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. 8, l. 7, at the end, to insert the words " The expression ' dependants,' when used in relation to an officer or servant of a local authority, includes such persons as the local authority shall ascertain to be wholly or in part dependent, or to have been wholly or in part dependent, as the case may be, upon the earnings of the officer or servant."—(Mr. King.)

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

Another Amendment proposed, in p. 9, l. 11, at the end, to add the words " Except the context otherwise requires, the expression ' soldier ' includes every person who is subject to military law, and the expression ' sailor ' includes every person who is subject to the Naval Discipline Act."—(Mr. King.)

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

Clause, as amended, agreed to.

Clause No. 19 amended, and agreed to.

Clause No. 20 (Application to Scotland).

An Amendment made.

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.

Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair.

The North British Railway (substituted) Bill was, according to Order, read a second time; and referred to the Examiners of Petitions for Private Bills.

The House again resolved itself into a Committee on the Local Government (Emergency Provisions) Bill.

Postponed Clause No. 20, as amended, agreed to.

Clause No. 21 amended, and agreed to.

A Clause (Sanction of expenditure under 6 Geo. 5, c. 4)—(Mr. Hayes Fisher)—brought up, and read the first and second time, and added to the Bill.

Another Clause (Calculation of amounts payable in respect of pauper lunatics)—(Mr. Percy Harris)—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 taken into consideration tomorrow.
The Order of the day being read, for the Committee on the Finance (New Duties) 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 taking into consideration the Eighth and subsequent Resolutions which, upon the 5th day of this instant April, were reported from the Committee of Ways and Means of the 4th day of this instant April; 

Ordered, That the said Resolutions be taken into further consideration 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 this instant April: 

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 receiving the Report from the Committee of Supply of the 30th day of March last; 

Ordered, That the Report be received to-morrow.

The Education (Provision of Meals) (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. George Roberts.)

Religious Orders Relief Bill. 

The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Religious Orders Relief Bill; 

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 22nd 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 Nine of the clock, adjourned till to-morrow.

Wednesday, 12th April 1916.

PRAYERS.

The House proceeded to take into consideration the South Metropolitan Gas Bill, as amended in the Committee. 

Ordered, That the Bill be read the third time.

Mr. Hayes Fisher, supported by Mr. Long, presented a Bill to confirm certain Provisional Orders of the Local Government Board relating to Margate, Newbury, Totnes, the Middlesex Districts Joint Small-pox Hospital District, and the District of the Wath and Bolton Gas Board; 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.

Secretary Sir Edward Grey presented, by His Majesty's Command,—Copy of Report by the Government Committee on the treatment by the enemy of British Prisoners of War, regarding (Miscellaneous) the conditions obtaining at Wittenberg Camp during the Typhus epidemic of 1915. 

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

Mr. Birell presented, by His Majesty's Command,—Copy of Emigration Statistics of Ireland for the year 1915. 

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, No. 880 (Saint Lucia, Report for 1914-15). 

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

The Lord Advocate presented, pursuant to Shop Act, the directions of an Act of Parliament,—Copy of 1912. Order made by the Secretary for Scotland under the Shops Act, 1912, affecting certain classes of Shops in the Burgh of Huntly. 

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

Ordered, That the Local Government (Emergency Provisions) Bill, as amended in the Committee, be printed.

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

(In the Committee.) 

Clause No. 1 (Duty on payment for admission to entertainments). 

An Amendment made. 

Another Amendment proposed, in p. 1, l. 14, to leave out the word " May," in order to insert the word " September."—(Mr. Hogge.) 

Question, That the word " May" stand part of the Clause, put, and agreed to.

Another Amendment proposed, in p. 1, l. 17, after the first word " duty," to insert the words " of five per cent. on the total receipts of such entertainment."—(Mr. Fell.) 

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

Another Amendment proposed, in p. 1, l. 20 and 21. —(Mr. John O'Connor.) 

Another Amendment proposed, in p. 1, l. 1, to leave out the words " A halfpenny," in order to insert the words " 2d."

Question, That the words " does not exceed " stand part of the Clause, put, and agreed to.

Another Amendment proposed, in p. 1, l. 20, to leave out the words " A halfpenny," in order to insert the words " One farthing."—(Mr. McCallum Scott.) 

Question, That the words " 2d." stand part of the Clause, put, and agreed to.

Another Amendment proposed, in p. 1, l. 20, to leave out the words " A halfpenny," in order to insert the words " One halfpenny."—(Mr. Selter.) 

Question, That the words " A halfpenny " stand part of the Clause, put, and agreed to.
Another Amendment made.

Another Amendment proposed, in p. 2, l. 13, to leave out the word " of," in order to insert the words " not exceeding."—(Sir Richard Cooper.)

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

Another Amendment proposed, in p. 2, l. 30, to leave out the words " or to any entertainment during a certain period of time."—(Mr. Hogg.)

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. 8, to leave out from the beginning to the end of l. 14. —(Mr. Hogg.)

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. 2 (Supplemental provisions as to entertainments duty).

Amendment proposed, in p. 3, l. 31, to leave out paragraph (c).—(Mr. Hogg.)

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. 15, to leave out subsection (4).—(Mr. Hogg.)

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. 4, l. 32, to leave out the word " Administrative."—(Sir Frederick Banbury.)

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

Other Amendments made.

Clause, as amended, agreed to.

Clause No. 3 (Duties on railway fares).

Amendment proposed, in p. 5, l. 12, after the word " persons," to insert the words " other than commercial travellers."—(Mr. Butcher.)

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

Clause disagreed to.

Clause No. 4 amended, and agreed to.

Clause No. 5 (Duties on table waters).

Motion made, and Question proposed, That the Clause be postponed.—(Sir John M'Callum);—Motion, by leave, withdrawn.

Amendment proposed, in p. 7, l. 20, to leave out from the word " gallon" to the end of subsection (1).—(Mr. Glyn-Jones.)

Question proposed, That the words proposed to be left out, to the word " waters," in l. 21, stand part of the Clause:—Amendment, by leave, withdrawn.

Another Amendment proposed, in p. 7, l. 21, after the word " waters," to insert the words " made with gas."—(Mr. Glyn-Jones.)

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

Another Amendment proposed, in p. 7, l. 24, to leave out from the word " waters" to the end of subsection (2).—(Mr. Glyn-Jones.)
The House, according to Order, resolved itself into a Committee on the Education (Provision of Meals) (Ireland) 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 Second Reading of the Religious Orders Relief Bill:

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 one minute before Twelve of the clock, till to-morrow.

Thursday, 13th April 1916.

PRAYERS.

THE Wakefield Corporation Bill was read a second time and passed.

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

The Edinburgh Corporation Order Confirmation Bill was, according to Order, read a second time, and ordered to be taken into consideration upon Monday next.

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

Mr. Arthur Henderson presented, pursuant to the directions of an Act of Parliament,—Copy of Order in Council under the Naval and Marine Pay and Pensions Act, 1865, dated 12th April 1916, approving a Memorial of the Lords Commissioners of the Admiralty.

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

Secretary Sir Edward Grey presented, by His Majesty's Command,—Copy of Correspondence with the United States Ambassador respecting the Trading with the Enemy (Extension of Powers) Act, 1915.

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

Mr. Secretary Samuel presented, by His Majesty's Command,—Copy of the Seventy-seventh Report of the Deputy Keeper of the Public Records.

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

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The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Municipal Savings Banks (War Loan Investment) Bill:

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

The House proceeded to take into consideration the Local Government (Emergency Provisions) Bill, as amended in the Committee.

And Amendments were made to the Bill.

Ordered, That the Bill, as amended, be recommitted to a Committee of the whole House in respect of an Amendment to Clause 1 dealing with excess payments, and in respect of a new Clause (Powers of sanitary authorities in connection with the storage of furniture).—(Mr. James Hope.)

The House immediately resolved itself into the Committee.

(In the Committee.)

Clause No. 1 amended, and agreed to.

A Clause (Power of sanitary authorities in connection with the storage of furniture) (Mr. Samuel Roberts) 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, and made Amendments thereto.

Ordered, That the Bill, as amended on re-commitment, 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, upon Monday next, resolve itself into the said Committee.

The Order of the day being read, for taking into consideration the Eighth and subsequent Resolutions which, upon the 5th day of this instant April, were reported from the Committee of Ways and Means of the 4th day of this instant April;

Ordered, That the said Resolutions be taken into further consideration upon Monday next.

The Order of the day being read, for receiving the Report from the Committee of Ways and Means of the 5th day of this instant April;

Ordered, That the Report be received upon Monday next.

The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Religious Orders Relief Bill;

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

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

Resolved, That this House will, 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 30th day of March last;

Ordered, That the Report be received upon Monday next.

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 propose that the Joint Committee of Consolidation appointed to consider all Consolidation Bills of the present Session do meet in Committee Room A on Tuesday the 9th day of May next, at half an hour after Three of the clock.

The House accordingly proceeded to take the said Message into consideration.

Ordered, That the Committee of this House do meet the Lords' Committee, as proposed by their Lordships.—(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. Speaker, pursuant to the Adjournment:

Order of the House of the 22nd 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 Six of the clock, adjourned till Monday next, pursuant to the Order of the House of the 22nd day of February last.

Monday, 17th April 1916.

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

Mr. Deputy Speaker laid upon the Table,—Private Bills 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, inquired into, the Standing Orders not previously inquired into, which are applicable thereto, have been complied with, viz.:

North British Railway (substituted) Bill.

Ordered, That the Bill be committed.

Mr. Deputy Speaker laid upon the Table,—Provisional Orders, That in the case of the following Bill, referred on the First Reading thereof, applicable:

Local Government (Ireland) Provisional Orders (No. 1) Bill.

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

The South Metropolitan Gas Bill was read a second 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 Saint John's Church, Kingston-upon-Hull Bill, as amended in the Committee.

Ordered, That the Bill be read the third time.
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The Canada Company Bill [Lords.] was read a second time, and committed.

The Imperial Continental Gas Association Bill [Lords.] was read a second time, and committed.

The Van Diemen's Land Company Bill [Lords.] was read a second time, and committed.

The House, according to Order, proceeded to take into consideration the Edinburgh Corporation Order Confirmation Bill.

Ordered, That the Bill be read the third time tomorrow.

Mr. Secretary Samuel 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 the West Riding of Yorkshire (Urban Districts of Barnoldswick, Mexborough, Swinton, Wath-upon-Dea rne, and Featherstone).

County of Anglesley (Village of Bryngwran).

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

Borough of Stockton-on-Tees.

County of the West Riding of Yorkshire (Urban District of Guisbrough).

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

Mr. Secretary Chamberlain presented, pursuant to the directions of an Act of Parliament,—Return of all Loans raised in England under the provisions of any Acts of Parliament, chargeable on the Revenues of India, outstanding at the commencement of the half-year ended on the 31st March 1916, with the rates of interest and total amount payable thereon, and the date and amount of each Loan, the debt thereby during the half-year, the monies raised during the half-year, the Loans paid off or discharged during the half-year, and the Loans outstanding at the close of the half-year; stating, so far as the public convenience will allow, the purpose or service for which monies have been raised during the half-year.

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

Mr. Birrell presented, by His Majesty's Command,—Copy of Return of Advances made under the Irish Land Purchase Acts during the month of June 1915.

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

Mr. Runacaim presented, pursuant to the directions of an Act of Parliament,—Copy of the Thirty-seventh Report of the Comptroller General of Patents, Designs, and Trade Marks, with Appendices, for the year 1915.

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,—Copy of Account showing Receipts and Expenditure on account of proceedings in connection with the winding-up of Companies under the Companies (Consolidation) Act, 1908, during the year ending 31st March 1916.

Copy of Account showing the Receipts and Expenditure on account of Bankruptcy proceedings during the year ended 31st March 1916.

Accounts of the Duchy of Lancaster in respect of the Development Fund Grant (Methwold Reclamation Scheme) for the year ended 30th December 1916 (in continuation of Parliamentary Paper, No. 40 of the present Session, No. 61, 1916).

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

Secretary Sir Edward Grey presented, by His Contraband Majesty's Command,—Copy of List of Articles of War. (Miscellaneous, No. 12, 1916.)

Mr. Secretary Bonar Law presented, by His Colonial Majesty's Command,—Copy of Colonial Reports No. 861 (East Africa Protectorate, Report for 1914–15).

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

Ordered, That Mr. Deputy 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 for the University of Dublin, in the room of the Right Honourable James Henry Mus sen Campbell, King's Counsel, who, since his Election for the said University, hath accepted the Office of His Majesty's Attorney General for Ireland. (Mr. Bridgeyman.)

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

The Lords have passed a Bill, intituled An Act to amend the Courts (Emergency Powers) Act, 1914, in relation to officers and men of His Majesty's Forces; to which the Lords desire Bill [Lords.], and the concurrence of this House.

The House, according to Order, proceeded to take into consideration the Finance (New Duties) Bill, as amended in the Committee.

An Amendment was made to the Bill. Another Amendment was proposed to be made to the Bill, in p. 1, l. 20, by inserting at the beginning thereof the words "exceeds 1d. and,"—(Mr. Dun das White.)

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. 2, l. 26, by inserting at the end thereof the words—

"(4) Where the amount of payment for admission to any entertainment is shown on any ticket, or on any notice or advertisement, and the amount so shown includes the amount of the duty, the amount of the duty so included shall be stated separately on the ticket, notice, or advertisement."

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If this provision is not complied with in the case of any entertainment, the proprietor of the entertainment shall be liable on summary conviction to a fine not exceeding ten pounds. — (Mr. Solicitor General.)

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. 3, l. 4, by leaving out paragraph (a).—(Mr. Jonathan Samuel.)

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. 14, by inserting at the end thereof the words—

"or (d) that the entertainment is provided for partly educational or partly scientific purposes by a society or institution not conducted for profit, or is provided by any such society or institution which has been founded with the object of reviving national pastimes, in furtherance of that object."——(Mr. Solicitor General.)

And the Question being proposed, That those words be there inserted in the Bill;—It was resolved in the Negative.

The proposed Amendment was amended, in l. 3, by leaving out the first word "or," and by inserting, after the word "institu­tion," the words "or committee"—(Mr. Timothy Davies); and by inserting, after the word "conducted," the words "or established."—(Mr. Solicitor General.)

Another Amendment was proposed to be made to the said proposed Amendment, as amended, in l. 3, by leaving out from the word "profit" to the end of the proposed Amendment.—(Mr. Rawlinson.)

And the Question being proposed, That the words proposed to be left out stand part of the said proposed Amendment:—The Amendment to the said proposed Amendment, as amended, was, with leave of the House, withdrawn.

And the Question being put, That the words "or (d) that the entertainment is provided for partly educational or partly scientific purposes by a society, institution, or committee not conducted or established for profit, or is provided by any such society or institution which has been founded with the object of reviving national pastimes, in furtherance of that object," be there inserted in the Bill:—It was resolved in the Affirmative.

Another Amendment was proposed to be made to the Bill, in p. 3, l. 15, by leaving out subsection (6) of Clause 1.—(Mr. Ashley.)

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. 3, l. 31, by inserting at the end thereof the words—

"(7) Nothing in this section shall be deemed to impose any entertainments duty on nominal payments made for a programme or seat at a musical performance given in any public park or open space."—(Mr. Percy Harris.)

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. 27, by leaving out subsection (4) of Clause 2.—(Mr. Ashley.)

And the Question being put, That the words proposed to be left out stand part of the Bill:—It was resolved in the Affirmative.

Another Amendment was proposed to be made to the Bill, in p. 5, l. 22, by leaving out Clause 3.—(Mr. Fell.)

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. 7, l. 8, by inserting, after the word "shall," the words "as from the first day of May, nineteen hundred and sixteen."—(Mr. Solicitor General.)

And the Question being put, That the words proposed to be left out stand part of the said proposed Amendment:—It was resolved in the Affirmative.

Another Amendment was proposed to be made to the Bill, in p. 3, l. 14, by inserting, after the words "last inserted," the words "as from the first day of May, nineteen hundred and sixteen."—(Mr. Solicitor General.)

And the Question being put, That the words "as from the first day of May, nineteen hundred and sixteen," be there inserted in the Bill:—It was resolved in the Affirmative.

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Another Amendment was proposed to be made to the Bill, in p. 3, l. 4, by leaving out the word "profits," and inserting the words "net proceeds," instead thereof; and in l. 5, by leaving out the word "takings," and inserting the word "receipts," instead thereof.—(Mr. Solicitor General.)

And the Question being put, That the words "Where the Commissioners are satisfied that the whole of the net proceeds of an entertainment are devoted to philanthropic or charitable purposes, and that the whole of the expenses of the entertainment do not exceed twenty per cent. of the receipts, they shall repay to the proprietor the amount of the entertainments duty paid in respect of the entertainment" 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. 7, l. 6, by leaving out Clause 3.—(Mr. Ashley.)

And the Question being put, That the words proposed to be left out stand part of the Bill:—It was resolved in the Affirmative.

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Then other Amendments were made to the Bill.

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And the Question being proposed, That the words proposed to be left out stand part of the Bill:—The said proposed Amendment was, with leave of the House, withdrawn.

Then another Amendment was made to the Bill.

Another Amendment was proposed to be made to the Bill, in p. 7, l. 8, by inserting, after the word "shall," the words "as from the first day of May, nineteen hundred and sixteen."—(Mr. Solicitor General.)

And the Question being put, That the words proposed to be left out stand part of the said proposed Amendment:—It was resolved in the Affirmative.

Another Amendment was proposed to be made to the Bill, in p. 3, l. 14, by inserting, after the words "last inserted," the words "as from the first day of May, nineteen hundred and sixteen."—(Mr. Solicitor General.)

And the Question being put, That the words "as from the first day of May, nineteen hundred and sixteen," be there inserted in the Bill:—It was resolved in the Affirmative.

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Then another Amendment was made to the Bill.

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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.

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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.

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Then another Amendment was made to the Bill.

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And the Question being put, That the words proposed to be left out stand part of the said proposed Amendment:—It was resolved in the Affirmative.

Another Amendment was proposed to be made to the Bill, in p. 3, l. 14, by inserting, after the words "last inserted," the words "as from the first day of May, nineteen hundred and sixteen."—(Mr. Solicitor General.)

And the Question being put, That the words "as from the first day of May, nineteen hundred and sixteen," be there inserted in the Bill:—It was resolved in the Affirmative.

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Then other Amendments were made to the Bill,

And the Title of the Bill was amended, by leaving out the words "Railway Fares."

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

The Order of the day being read, for taking into further consideration the Eighth and subsequent Resolutions which, upon the fifth day of this instant April, were reported from the Committee of Ways and Means of the 4th day of this instant April, viz.:

Chicory.

8. That in lieu of the duties of Customs now payable on chicory imported into Great Britain or Ireland there shall, on and after the fifth day of April, nineteen hundred and sixteen, be charged the following duties (that is to say):—

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and so in proportion for any less quantity; and in lieu of 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, or on any mixture of any such article or substance with coffee or chicory, there shall, on and after the fifth day of April, nineteen hundred and sixteen, be charged the following duty (that is to say):—

For every quarter of a pound of any such article, substance, or mixture—

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and intermediate duties varying between 14s. and 6s. 9d. on sugar of a polarisation not exceeding 98 and exceeding 76 degrees.

Cocoa.

9. That in lieu of the duties of Customs now payable on coffee imported into Great Britain or Ireland there shall, on and after the fifth day of April, nineteen hundred and sixteen, be charged the following duties (that is to say):—

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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.

10. That in lieu of the duties of Customs now payable on coffee imported into Great Britain or Ireland there shall, on and after the fifth day of April, nineteen hundred and sixteen, be charged the following duties (that is to say):—

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Glucose.

11. That in lieu of the duty of Excise now payable on chicory there shall, on and after the fifth day of April, nineteen hundred and sixteen, be charged the following duty (that is to say):—

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and intermediate duties varying between 11s. 6d. and 5s. 7d. on sugar of a tại 1 3
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 the cwt. £ 0 7 4½
- if containing less than 70 per cent. and more than 50 per cent. of sweetening matter the cwt. £ 0 5 3½
- if containing not more than 50 per cent. of sweetening matter the cwt. £ 0 2 7½

Glucose—
- Solid - - the cwt. £ 0 8 10½
- Liquid - - the cwt. £ 0 6 4½

Saccharin (including substances of a like nature or use) the oz. £ 0 4 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.

Motor Cars.

14. That in lieu of any Excise duty now payable for motor cars there shall be charged, both for Great Britain and Ireland, in each year (including the year beginning the first day of January, nineteen hundred and sixteen), for every motor bicycle, motor tricycle, and for every other motor car, duties at the following rates calculated in accordance with horse-power, the unit of horse-power for the purposes of the duty being reckoned in accordance with regulations made by the Treasury for the purpose:

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Motor Cycles—
- Not exceeding 4 - - £ 2 2 0
- Exceeding 4 - - Three-quarters of the duty which would be payable in the case of a motor car.

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.

15. That—
(a) Income Tax shall be charged for the year beginning the sixth day of April, nineteen hundred and sixteen, at the rate of five shillings in the pound, and that the same Super Tax be charged for that year as was charged for the year beginning the sixth day of April, nineteen hundred and fifteen; 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 ten of the Finance Act, 1915, and Part II. of the Finance (No. 2) Act, 1915, with respect to the Income Tax charged for the year beginning the sixth day of April, nineteen hundred and fifteen, 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.

16. That—
(a) the relief given in respect of earned income shall be modified so as to allow relief only as follows, namely, relief by way of reduction of the rate of the tax to—
- 2s. 3d. if the total income does not exceed five hundred pounds;
- 2s. 6d. if the total income exceeds five hundred pounds and does not exceed one thousand pounds;
- 3s. if the total income exceeds one thousand pounds and does not exceed one thousand five hundred pounds;
- 3s. 6d. if the total income exceeds one thousand five hundred pounds and does not exceed two thousand pounds;
- 4s. 6d. if the total income exceeds two thousand pounds and does not exceed two thousand five hundred pounds;

(b) 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.

17. That—
(a) the relief given by section six of the Finance Act, 1914, shall cease, but where the total income of an individual from all sources does not exceed two thousand pounds, such relief shall be given by way of repayment as will reduce the rate of the tax on his unearned income to—
- 3s. if the total income does not exceed three hundred pounds;
- 3s. 6d. if the total income exceeds three hundred pounds and does not exceed five hundred pounds;
- 4s. if the total income exceeds five hundred pounds and does not exceed one thousand pounds;
- 4s. 6d. if the total income exceeds one thousand pounds and does not exceed two thousand pounds;
Excess Profits Duty on Sale of Assets.

22. That there shall be charged on any sum of Excess Profits by which the price given on the sale of any asset capable of producing profits exceeds the pre-war value of that asset a duty of sixty per centum of the excess.

Extended Power to Borrow.

23. That the Treasury may borrow for the Extended purpose of raising any sums which they are authorised to issue under any Consolidated Fund Act or Appropriation Act, or for the purpose of paying off any securities issued under any such Act, in the same manner as they are authorised to borrow under subsection (1) of section one of the War Loan Act, 1915.

The House accordingly proceeded to take into further consideration the said Resolutions; and the said Resolutions, being read a second time, were agreed to.

Mr. Rea reported from the Committee of Ways and Means of the 5th day of this instant April a Resolution; which was read, as follows:

Amendment of Law.

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

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

Table Waters (Customs).

1. Resolved, That there shall, on and after the first day of May, nineteen hundred and sixteen, be charged on all table waters (including aerated waters and other beverages) imported into Great Britain or Ireland the following duties of Customs (namely):—

On table waters which contain as the result of the ordinary process of manufacture, or are prepared in the ordinary process of manufacture with, sugar or other sweetening material, or which are fermented beverages, a duty at the rate of four pence per gallon; and

On any other table waters, a duty at the rate of eight pence per gallon; and so in proportion for any less quantity.—(Mr. Montagu.)

Cider and Perry (Customs).

2. Resolved, That there shall, on and after the first day of May, nineteen hundred and sixteen, be charged on cider and perry imported into Great Britain or Ireland a duty of Customs at the rate of four pence per gallon, and so in proportion for any less quantity.—(Mr. Montagu.)

Licences for Sale of Table Waters, &c., and Cider.

3. Resolved, That there shall be charged, on a licence to be taken out annually (in such cases as may be required) by persons who sell table waters (including aerated waters and other beverages), and by persons who sell cider or perry, an Excise duty of ten shillings.—(Mr. Montagu.)
Tuesday, 18th April 1916.

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, Prayers pursuant to the Standing Order.

The Edinburgh 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.

A Bill to regulate the expenditure on capital account and leading of money by the London County Council during the financial period from the first day of April, one thousand nine hundred and sixteen, to the thirty-first day of March, one thousand nine hundred and seventeen, and for other purposes, was presented, and read the first time; and referred to the Examiners of Petitions for Private Bills.

A Public Petition was presented, and read; Public Petitions. Vide First Report.

Resolved, That an humble Address be presented to His Majesty, that He will be graciously pleased to give directions that there be laid before this House a Return showing the names of all Aliens to whom certificates of Naturalisation have been issued, and whose oaths of allegiance have, during the year ended the 31st day of December 1915, been registered at the Home Office, giving the country and place of residence of the person naturalised, and including information as to any Aliens who have, during the same period, obtained Acts of Naturalisation from the Legislature (in continuation of Parliamentary Paper, No. 156 of Session 1914-15).—(Mr. Bruce.)

Mr. Eugene Wason reported from the Select Standing Committee on Standing Orders a Resolution; Orders, which was read, as followeth:

That in the case of the Great Central and Great Central Sheffield and District Railways Bill [Lords] and Sheffield and District Railways Bill [Lords], the Standing Orders ought to be dispensed with; that the parties be permitted to proceed with their Bill.

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

The Finance (New Duties) Bill was, according Finance to Order, read the third time and passed.

Ordered, That the Clerk do carry the Bill to Mr. Deputy Speaker, having been endorsed by Mr. Deputy Speaker, Certificate, 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.
Mr. Bux reported from the Committee of Ways and Means of the 17th day of this instant April several Resolutions which were read, as follow:

Table Waters (Customs.)
1. That there shall, on and after the first day of May, nineteen hundred and sixteen, be charged on all table waters (including aerated waters and other beverages) imported into Great Britain or Ireland a duty to be taken out annually (in such cases as may be required) by persons who sell table waters (including aerated waters and other beverages) and by persons who sell cider or perry, an Excise duty of ten shillings.

Table Waters (Customs.)
2. That there shall, on and after the first day of May, nineteen hundred and sixteen, be charged on cider and perry imported into Great Britain or Ireland a duty of Customs at the rate of four pence per gallon; and on any other table waters, a duty at the rate of eight pence per gallon; and so in proportion for any less quantity.

Licences for Sale of Table Waters, &c., and Cider.
3. That there shall be charged on a licence to be taken out annually (in such cases as may be required) by persons who sell table waters (including aerated waters and other beverages), and by persons who sell cider or perry, an Excise duty of ten shillings.

Cider and Perry (Customs.)
4. That there shall be charged on all cider boxes, tinder lighters, and other mechanical and portable contrivances for producing a flame, imported into Great Britain or Ireland, a duty of Customs of five shillings.

Cider and Perry (Customs.)
5. That there shall be charged on all cider boxes, tinder lighters, and other mechanical and portable contrivances for producing a flame, manufactured in Great Britain or Ireland, an Excise duty of five shillings.

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. Montagu do prepare and bring in a Bill that they do make provision therein pursuant to the Eighth and subsequent Resolutions which were reported from the Committee of Ways and Means on the 4th day of this instant April, and agreed to by the House on the 17th day of this instant April, and to the Resolution reported from the Committee of Ways and Means on the 17th day of this instant April, and then agreed to by the House.

Ordered, That it be an Instruction to the Gentlemen appointed to prepare and bring in the Bill that they do make provision therein pursuant to the Eighth and subsequent Resolutions which were reported from the Committee of Ways and Means on the 4th day of this instant April, and agreed to by the House on the 17th day of this instant April, and to the Resolution reported from the Committee of Ways and Means on the 17th day of this instant April, and then agreed to by the House.

Mr. Montagu presented a Bill to confirm a Provisional Order of the Local Government Board relating to Order of the day being read, for the Ways and Means:
Resolved, That this House will to-morrow, resolve itself into the said Committee.

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

The Order of the day being read, for the Municipal Second Reading of the Municipal Savings Banks (War Loan Investment) Bill:
Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time to-morrow.

The Order of the day being read, for the Religious Orders Relief Bill:
Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time to-morrow.

The Order of the day being read, for the Supply Committee of Supply:
Resolved, That this House will, to-morrow, resolve itself into the said Committee.

Whereupon Mr. Deputy Speaker, pursuant Adjournment, to the Order of the House of the 22nd 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 22nd day of February last, it being then one minute after Five of the clock, till to-morrow.

The Order of the day being read, for receiving Supply the Report from the Committee of Supply of the 30th day of March last:
Ordered, That the Report be received to-morrow.

Wednesday, 19th April 1916.

T HE House being met, the Clerk at the Table Mr. Speaker's 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, Prayers, pursuant to the Standing Order.

Mr. Haynes Fisher, supported by Mr. Long, Local Government Bill 26, presented a Bill to confirm a Provisional Order of the Local Government Board relating to Order of the day being read, for the Local Government Provisional Order:
Ordered, That the Bill be referred to the Examiners of Petitions for Private Bills; and be printed.

Mr. Haynes Fisher, supported by Mr. Long, Local Government Provisional Order presented a Bill to confirm certain Provisional Orders of the Local Government Board relating to Dover, Hoxton, Scarborough, and Sheffield (No. 4) Bill:
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.

Secretary Sir Edward Grey presented, by His Majesty's Command, Copy of Sworn Statement by Horst Von der Goltz, alias Bridgeeman Taylor.

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

Mr. Montagu presented, pursuant to the directions of an Act of Parliament, Copy of Twelfth Report of the Inspector for Ireland under the Inebriates Acts, 1879 to 1900, for the year 1915 (with Appendices).

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

Mr. Birrell presented, by His Majesty's Command, Copy of Second Report of the Inspector for Scotland under the Inebriates Acts, 1879 to 1900, for the year 1915 (with Appendices).

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

The Lord Advocate presented, by His Majesty's Command, Copy of Minute of the Committee of Council on Education in Scotland, dated 19th April 1916, amending the 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. Secretary Bower Law presented, by His Majesty's Command, Copies of Colonial Reports Nos. 882 (Imperial Institute, Report for 1914) and 883 (Nyasaland, Report for 1914-15).

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 County Court Rules, dated 11th April 1916.

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 Remembrance in Scotland, in the year ended the 31st day of December 1915, in the administration of Estates and Treasure Trove on behalf of the Crown; -And of alphabetical List of Estates which fell to the Crown as Ultimus Hares in Scotland, administered by the King's and Lord Treasurer's Remembrancer in the same year.-(Mr. Montagu.)

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 Remembrance in Scotland, in the year ended the 31st day of December 1915, in the administration of Estates and Treasure Trove on behalf of the Crown; -And of alphabetical List of Estates which fell to the Crown as Ultimus Hares in Scotland, administered by the King's and Lord Treasurer's Remembrancer in the same year.-(Mr. Montagu.)

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

The Lords have agreed to the Finance (New Duties) Bill, without any Amendment.

The Lords have agreed to the Education (Provision of Meals) (Ireland) Bill, without any Amendment.

The Lords have agreed to the Imperial Institute (Management) Bill, without any Amendment.

The Lords have agreed to the Pacific Islands Education Regulations (Validation) Bill, without any Amendment.

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

The Lords have agreed to the Local Government (Emergency Provisions) Bill, with one Amendment; to which the Lords desire the concurrence of this House.

Ordered, That the Amendments made by the Lords to the Local Government (Emergency Provisions) Bill be taken into consideration upon Tuesday next; and be printed.

A Motion was made, and the Question being Adjournment proposed, That this House, at its rising this day, do adjourn till Tuesday next; (The Prime Minister);

A Message was delivered by Thomas Dacres Royal Arent. Butler, Esquire, Uyman 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 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:

Tuesday, 25th April 1916.


The Question being again proposed, That this House, at its rising this day, do adjourn till Tuesday next;

Mr. Deputy Speaker called the attention of the House to the continued irrelevance on the part of Mr. Ginnell, Member for North Westmeath, and directed the honourable Member to discontinue his speech.

And the Question being put;

Resolved, That this House, at its rising this day, do adjourn till Tuesday next.


Mr. Montagu presented, by His Majesty's National Command,—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 III.

Ordered, That the said Paper do lie upon the Table; and that the Papers relative to Ultimus Heres (Scotland) (Account and List of Estates) and Public Income and Expenditure be printed.

Mr. Secretary Samuel presented, pursuant to the directions of an Act of Parliament,—Copy of Order made under the Shops Act, 1912, by the Council of the undermentioned Local Authority, and confirmed by the Secretary of State for the Home Department:

Urban District of Cleethorpes - with - Thrunscoe.

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

Secretary Sir Edward Grey presented, by His Majesty's Command,—Copy of further Correspondence between His Majesty's Government and the United States Government respecting the Rights of Belligerents (in continuation of Miscellaneous, No. 14, 1916).

Copy of further Correspondence between Rights of His Majesty's Government and the United States Government respecting the Rights of Belligerents (in continuation of Miscellaneous, No. 15, 1916).

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

The following Paper, pursuant to the direction of an Act of Parliament, was laid upon the Table by the Clerk of the House:—Copy of Order of the County Courts (Emergency Powers) Rule, 1916, dated 13th April 1916, made by the Lord Chancellor under the Courts (Emergency Powers) Act, 1914.

The following Paper, pursuant to the Report of the Select Committee on Expiring Laws in Laws, Session 1866, was also laid upon the Table by

Ordered, That the Bill be read the third time.

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25th—26th April. 1916.

Whereupon Mr. Speaker, pursuant to the Adjournment.

Order of the House of the 22nd 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 being met, the Clerk at the Table Mr. Speaker's

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, Prayers,
pursuant to the Standing Order.

Ordered, That Mr. Deputy Speaker do issue

his Warrant to the Clerk of the Crown in

Loonderry County (South Derry Division), in the name of a Member to serve in this present Parliament

for the County of Loonderry (South Derry Division), in the room of the Right Honourable

John Gordon, King's Counsel, who, since his Election for the said county, hath accepted the

Office of Judge of His Majesty's High Court

of Justice in Ireland. — (Mr. Bridge.)

The following Paper, pursuant to the direction

tions 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

1916.

Ordered, That there be laid before this House

a Copy of Account of the Receipts and Payments

of the Accountant General of the Supreme Court

of Judicature in Ireland, in respect of the funds

of suchors in the said Court, including therein

funds to the credit of Lunacy Accounts, in the

year to the 30th day of September 1915; to

gether with a Statement of Liabilities and Assets.

— (Mr. Montagu.)

The Courts (Emergency Powers) (Amend-

court)—Bill [Lords] was read the first time, and it

ordered to be read a second time to-morrow; and to

be printed.

— (The Prime Minister.)

And it was resolved in the Affirmative.

A Motion was made, and the Question being

put, That the remainder of this day's Sitting

be a secret Session—(The Prime Minister):—

(The Prime Minister.)

And accordingly the House, having con-

tinued to sit till three minutes after

Eleven of the clock, adjourned till to-

morrow.

Wednesday, 26th April 1916.

the Clerk of the House:—Register of Tem-

porary Laws for the Sixth Session, Thirtieth

Parliament, of the United Kingdom of Great

Britain and Ireland (6 & 7 Geo. V. 1916).

Ordered, That the said Paper be printed.

Sir Stuart Aunchinloss Coats, Baronet, Member

for the County of Surrey (North Eastern or

Wimbledon Division), was sworn.

And notice being taken that strangers were

present, Mr. Speaker forthwith put the Question,

That strangers be ordered to withdraw. — (The

Prime Minister.)

And it was resolved in the Affirmative.

A Motion was made, and the Question being

put, That this House do now adjourn.

— (The Prime Minister.)

And notice being taken that strangers were

present, Mr. Speaker forthwith put the Question,

That strangers be ordered to withdraw. —(The

Prime Minister.)

And it was resolved in the Affirmative.

A Motion was made, and the Question being

put, That the remainder of this day's Sitting

be a secret Session—(The Prime Minister):—

(The Prime Minister.)

And it was resolved in the Affirmative.

A Motion was made, and the Question being

put, That this House will, to-morrow,

resolve itself into the said Committee.

Ordered, That the said Paper be printed.

At Eleven of the clock, the Motion

for the adjournment of the House lapsed, with-

out Question put, pursuant to the Standing

Order.

Ordered, That the said Paper be printed.

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Mr. Secretary Samuel presented, pursuant to the directions of a motion of the House, to bring in a Bill for the purposes of the Police Pension Funds for the year ended 31st March 1916.

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

A Motion was made, and the Question was put, That Military Service during the present War (Mr. Long) — And the said Motion was, with the leave of the House, withdrawn.

The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Municipal Savings Banks 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 Output of Beer (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 War Loan Investment Bill (War Loan Investment) Bill;

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

The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Religious Orders Relief 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 Report from the Committee of Ways and Means;

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

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

The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Municipal Savings Banks Bill (War Loan Investment) Bill;

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

The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Religious Orders Relief Bill;

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

Ordered, That the said Amendments be taken into consideration upon Tuesday next.

The Order of the day being read, for taking into consideration the Amendments made by the Lords to the Local Government (Emergency Provisions) Bill;

Ordered, That the said Amendments be taken into consideration upon Tuesday next.

A Motion was made, and the Question was put, That this House will, to-morrow, do adjourn till Tuesday next — (The Prime Minister);

Mr. Deputy Speaker called the attention of Members, directed to the directions of an Act of Parliament, Police.

Mr. Secretary Samuel presented, pursuant to the directions of an Act of Parliament, the Accounts of the Metropolitan Police and the Police Pension Funds for the year ended 31st March 1916.

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

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

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

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

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

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

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

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And the Question being put;

Resolved, That this House, at its rising this day, do adjourn till Tuesday next.

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 the Second Reading of the Town Councils (Emergency Powers) (Amendment) Bill [Lords];

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

The Order of the day being read, for taking into consideration the Amendments made by the Lords to the Local Government (Emergency Provisions) Bill;

Ordered, That the said Amendments be taken into consideration upon Tuesday next.

The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Municipal Savings Banks (War Loan Investment) Bill;

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

The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Municipal Savings Banks (War Loan Investment) Bill;

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

The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Municipal Savings Banks (War Loan Investment) Bill;

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

The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Religious Orders Relief Bill;

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

The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Religious Orders Relief Bill;

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time upon Tuesday next.
The Order of the day being read for the 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 receiving the Report from the Committee of Supply of the 30th day of March last:

Ordered, That the Report be received upon Tuesday next.

Adjourned.

Whereupon Mr. Deputy Speaker, pursuant to the Order of the House of the 22nd 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 Seven of the clock, adjourned till Tuesday next, pursuant to the Resolution of the House of this day.

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Tuesday, 2nd May 1916.

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. 2) Bill.

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time tomorrow.

The Burnley 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.

The Folkestone Gas Bill was read the third time and passed.

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

Mr. T. W. Russell presented a Bill to confirm certain Provisional Orders of the Local Government Board for Ireland relating to the City of Dublin and the County of Louth (two): 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. T. W. Russell presented a Bill to confirm a Provisional Order of the Local Government Board for Ireland relating to Bangor: 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 Samuel presented, pursuant to the directions of an Act of Parliament,—Copies of Orders made under the Shops Act, 1912, by the Council of the aforementioned Local Authority, and confirmed by the Secretary of State for the Home Department:

City of Bristol (Stapleton Ward) (two).

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

Mr. Arthur Henderson presented, pursuant to Naval and the directions of several Acts of Parliament,—Marine Pay and Pensions

Copies of Three Orders in Council under the Naval and Marine Pay and Pensions Act, 1865, dated 26th April 1916.

Copy of Statutes made under the Universities of Oxford and Cambridge Act, 1877, by the Governing Body of Christ Church, Oxford, on 18th May 1915, amending Statutes XVI. (23) (Oxford) and (24) and XVII. (2), and by adding a twelfth Clause to the last-named Statute.

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.

Mr. Acland presented, by His Majesty's Command,—Copy of Agricultural Statistics, Volume I. Part I. Average and Local Stock Returns of England and Wales, with Summaries for the United Kingdom.

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

Mr. Attorney General presented, by His Public Trustee. Majesty's Command,—Copy of Eighth General Annual Report of the Public Trustee.

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

Mr. Speaker informed the House that he had Hospital Ship received from the President of the Russian Imperial Red Cross Ship " Portugal," as being contrary to all International Conventions.

A Motion was made, and the Question was adjourned—(The Prime Minister)—And the said Motion was, with leave of the House, withdrawn.

The Courts (Emergency Powers) (Amendment) 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. Roy.)

The House, according to Order, proceeded to take into consideration the Amendments made by the Lords to the Local Government (Emergency Provisions) Bill.

The Lords' Amendments as far as the Amendments in p.5, after Clause 19, being read a second time, were agreed to.

The Lords' Amendment in p.5, after Clause 19, insert Clause A (Prohibition of establishment of new routes for omnibuses), the next Amendment, being read a second time;
The Lords' Amendment was amended, in l. 4, by leaving out the words "twelve months," and inserting the words "two years," instead thereof; in l. 10, by inserting, after the word "if," the words "in the opinion of the Local Government Board," and by inserting, after the word "refused," the words "or if such conditions are unreasonable;" in l. 25, by inserting, after the word "on," the words "or using;" and in l. 27, by leaving out the word "solely."—(Mr. Jowanni-Hicks.)

And the Lords' Amendment, as amended, was agreed to.

Then the remaining Lords' Amendments, being read a second time, were agreed to.

Ordered, That the Clerk do carry the Bill to the Lords; and acquaint them that this House hath agreed to the Amendments made by their Lordships, with Amendments; to which this House doth desire the concurrence of their Lordships.

The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Output of Beer (Restriction) 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 30th day of March last;

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 Finance Bill;

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

The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Municipal Savings Banks (War Loan Investment) Bill;

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

The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Religious Orders Relief Bill;

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

Whereupon Mr. Deputy Speaker, pursuant to the Order of the House of the 22nd 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 Nine of the clock, adjourned till to-morrow.

Wednesday, 3rd May 1916.

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, originating in the Lords, the Standing Orders have not been complied with, viz.:—

Clayton Aniline Company (Railways) [Lords].

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

The Local Government Provisional Orders Local Government Provisional Orders (No. 2) Bill was, according to Order, read a second time, and committed.

Mr. Brace presented a Bill to confirm a [Halifax Provisional Order made by one of His Majesty's Principal Secretaries of State under the Halifax Corporation Act, 1911; 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. Brace presented a Bill to confirm a [Marriages Provisional Order made by one of His Majesty's Principal Secretaries of State under the Provisional Order (Marriages) Act, 1905: And the same was read the first time.

Ordered, That the Bill be referred to the Examiners of Petitions for Private Bills; and be printed.

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 Gloucester (Northern or Tewkesbury Division), in the room of Michael Hugh Hicks Beach (commonly called Viscount Quenington), died of wounds received in action.—(Lord Ednmond Talbot.)

Mr. Russell presented, pursuant to the Merchant directions of an Act of Parliament,—Account of the Receipts and Expenditure under the Seamen's Fund, from 1st January to 31st December 1915.

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 1914, 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 1915; also Statement showing the Receipts and Payments in connection with the transmission of Seamen's Wages, Home and Foreign, from 1878 to 31st March 1915.

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

Mr. Secretary Bonar Law, supported by Mr. British North Steel-Maitland, 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.

Ordered, That leave be given to bring in a Military Bill to make further provision with respect to Military Service during the present War; And that the Prime Minister, Mr. Secretary Bonar
Thursday, 4th May 1916.

PRAYERS.

Mr. Lloyd George presented, by His Majesty's Liquor Traffic Command,—Copy of Second Report of the Central Control Board (Liquor Traffic) Board appointed under the Defence of the Realm (Amendment) Act, 1915, Ordered, That the said Paper do lie upon the Table.

Mr. Arthur Henderson presented, pursuant to Board of Report of the Board of Education under the Welsh Intermediate Education Act, 1889, for the year 1915, Ordered, That the said Paper do lie upon the Table; and be printed.

Mr. Joseph Pease presented, by His Majesty's Post Office Command,—Copy of Second 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, 1912-13, Ordered, That the said Paper do lie upon the Table.

The Right Honourable James Henry Musson New Member for the Borough of the College of the Holy and Undivided Trinity of Queen Elizabeth, near Dublin, was sworn.

The Chairman of Ways and Means reported from the Committee on the Local Government (Ireland) Provisional Order (No. 1) 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 be read the third time upon Monday next.

The Chairman of Ways and Means reported from the Committee on the Electric Lighting 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, without Amendment, to the House, Ordered, That the Bill be read the third time upon Monday next.

The Chairman of Ways and Means reported from the Committee on the Electric Lighting 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, without Amendment, to the House, Ordered, That the Bill be read the third time upon Monday next.

The Chairman of Ways and Means reported from the Committee on the Electric Lighting 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, without Amendment, to the House, Ordered, That the Bill be read the third time upon Monday next.

The Chairman of Ways and Means reported the Weston-super-Mare Grand Pier Bill [Lords.], and ordered, that the Report do lie upon the Table.

Ordered, That the Bill be read the third time.
The Order of the day being read, for the Finance Bill,
Second Reading of the Finance Bill;
Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time
upon Monday next.

The Order of the day being read, for the Municipal
Second Reading of the Municipal Savings Banks
(War Loan Investment) Bill;
Ordered, That the said Order be discharged.
Ordered, That the Bill be withdrawn.

The Order of the day being read, for the Religious
Second Reading of the Religious Orders Relief
Bill;
Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time
upon Monday next.

Whereupon Mr. Speaker, pursuant to the Adjournment.
Order of the House of the 22nd 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 fourteen minutes after
Eleven of the clock, adjourned till Monday
next, pursuant to the Order of the House of
the 22nd day of February last.

Monday, 8th May 1916.

PRAYERS.

The Electric Lighting Provisional Order Electric
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 Local
Order (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. Ruaciman presented, pursuant to the Trade Boards
directions of an Act of Parliament.—Copy of Act, 1909,
Regulations, dated 2nd May 1916, made by the
Board of Trade under Section 11 of the
Trade Boards Act, 1909, with respect to the
constitution and proceedings of the Trade Board
for the Linen and Cotton Embroidery Trade
(Ireland).

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

The Lord Advocate presented, by His Education
Majesty's Command,—Copy of Minute of the
Committee of Council on Education in Scotland,
dated 8th May 1916, containing the operations
of the Code of Regulations for Continuation
Classes, 1915, with certain modifications.

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

Mr. Secretary Chamberlain presented, pursuant East India
to the directions of an Act of Parliament,—Copy of Home Accounts of the Government of
the Government of India for the year 1914-15.

Copy of Finance and Revenue Accounts of East India
Vol. 171.
Copy of Estimate of Revenue and Expenditure of the Government of India for the year 1915-16, compared with the results of 1914-15.

Ordered, That the said Papers do lie upon the Table; and that the Papers relative to East India (Home Accounts) and East India (Estimates) be printed.

Mr. Montagu presented, pursuant to the directions of an Act of Parliament,—Abstract Account of Receipts and Payments of the Treasury Solicitor, in the year 1915, in the administration of Estates on behalf of the Crown; and alphabetical List of Intestates' Estates in respect of which Letters of Administration were granted to the Treasury Solicitor as Crown's Nominee in the year 1915, 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 and administered of the Government of India for the year ending 30th June, 1915.

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

A Motion was made, and the Question being put, That, in view especially of the economy in fuel and its transport that would be effected by shortening the hours of artificial lighting, this House would welcome a measure for the advancement of clock time by one hour during the summer months of this year.—(Sir Henry Norman);

The House divided. The Yeas to the Right; The Noses to the Left. Tellers for the Yea, (Mr. Peto) 170, (Lord Hugh Cecil) 2. Tellers for the Noe, (Mr. Peto) 170, (Lord Hugh Cecil) 2. So it was resolved in the Affirmative.

A Motion was made, and the Question being put, That, in the opinion of this House, the interest of the public requires that an immediate and material modification should be made in the new Regulation 27A issued under the Defence of the Realm Act.—(Sir Henry Dalziel);—It passed in the Negative.

Defence of the Realm Regulation.

The House, according to Order, resolved itself into a Committee on the Courts (Emergency Powers) (Amendment) Bill [Lords].

(In the Committee.)

Clause No. 1 agreed to.

Clause No. 2 (Power of county courts to determine leases to members of His Majesty's forces).

Amendment proposed, in p. 2, l. 5, at the end, to add the words "Provided that if, in the case of any tenancy to which this section applies, the landlord shall give notice in writing to the tenant offering to determine such tenancy at the expiration of three months from the date of the notice, and the tenant shall not, within one calendar month after the date of the notice, accept such offer, then this section shall cease to apply to such tenancy."—(Mr. Denison.)

Question proposed, That those words be there added:

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 Sir Frederick Banbury 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 Military Committee on the 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 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 30th day of March last;

Ordered, That the Report be received to-morrow.

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

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

The Order of the day being read, for the British North America Second Reading of the British North America American Bill;

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

The Order of the day being read, for the Output of Beer (Restriction) Bill;

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

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

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

The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Religious Orders Relief 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 22nd 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.
Tuesday, 9th May 1916.

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 Order (No. 3) Bill.

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

Mr. Speaker laid upon the Table,—Report from one of the Examiners of Petitions for Private Bills, That in the case of the following Bill, referred on the First Reading thereof, no Standing Orders are applicable, viz.—

Local Government Provisional Orders (No. 4) Bill.

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

The Weston-super-Mare Grand Pier 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.

Mr. Hayes Fisher, supported by Mr. Long, presented a Bill to confirm certain Provisional Orders of the Local Government Board relating to Aberavon, Carlisle, Maidstone, Nelson, Saint Helens, and the Wandle Valley Joint Sewerage 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. Hayes Fisher, supported by Mr. Long, presented a Bill to confirm certain Provisional Orders of the Local Government Board relating to Aberavon, Carlisle, Maidstone, Nelson, Saint Helens, and the Wandle Valley Joint Sewerage 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. Montagu presented, pursuant to the directions of several Acts of Parliament,—Copy of Account 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 1916.

Account of Receipts and Payments in respect of the Land Registry for the year ended 31st March 1916.

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

Mr. Secretary Samuel, supported by Mr. Solicitor General and Mr. Bruce, presented a Bill to provide for the local time in Great Britain and Ireland being in advance of Greenwich and Dublin mean time, respectively, during the summer months: And the same was ordered to be read a second time to-morrow; and to be printed.

Ordered, That the proceedings on Government Business be not interrupted this night under the Standing Order (Sittings of the House), and may be entered upon at any time though opposed.—(The Prime Minister.)

The Order of the day being read, for the Military Committee on the Military Service Bill;

And a Motion being made, and the Question being put, That it be an Instruction to the Committee that they may divide the Bill into two Bills, one dealing with the enlistment of married men between the ages of eighteen and forty-one years, and the other dealing with the other matters contained in this measure—(Mr. King):—It passed in the Negative.

Ordered, That Mr. Speaker do now leave the Chair.

The House accordingly resolved itself into the Committee.

Clause No. 1 (Extension and continued operation of Military Service Act, 1916).

Amendment proposed, in p. 1, l. 5, after the word "subject," to insert the words "not being the son of an alien enemy."—(Mr. Warden.)

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

Another Amendment proposed, in p. 1, l. 5, to leave out the words "has at any time since," in order to insert the words "was on."—(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. 7, after the word "in," to insert the words "the United Kingdom of."—(Sir John Lonsdale.)

Question proposed, That those words be there inserted:

Sir John Lonsdale rose in his place and claimed Closure claimed, but the Chairman witheld his assent, and declined to put that Question:—Debate resumed.

Question put, and negatived.

Another Amendment proposed, in p. 1, l. 8, to leave out from the word "attained" to the word "shall," in l. 9, in order to insert the words "military age."—(Mr. Ronald McNeill.)

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

Another Amendment proposed, in p. 1, l. 8, to leave out the word "eighteen," in order to insert the word "seventeen."—(Captain Amery.)

Question proposed, That the word "eighteen" 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 "nineteen."—(Mr. Hogge.)

Question put, That the word "eighteen" stand part of the Clause.

The Committee divided.

Tellers for the Yeas, | Mr. Galland: 213.
Mr. Bridgeman:
Mr. Hogge:
Mr. Anderson:
Mr. Nield.

Another Amendment proposed, in p. 1, l. 8, after the word "years," to insert the words "or who shall subsequently attain such age at any time during the continuance of the war."—(Mr. Nield.)
Mr. Deputy 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, this day, again resolve itself into the said Committee.

The House, according to Order, resolved itself into a Committee on the Lords' Amendments 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 Bill be now read the third time, and passed.

Ordered, That the Clerk do carry the Bill to the Lords; and acquaint them that this House hath agreed to the same, without Amendment.

The Order of the day being read, for the Supply. Committee of Supply; Ordered, That this House will, this day, 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 30th March last;

Ordered, That the Report be received 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 British North America Bill;

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time this day.

The Order of the day being read, for the Output of Beer (Restriction) Bill;

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time this day.
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Finance Bill. The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Finance Bill; Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time this day.

Religious Orders Bill. The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Religious Orders Relief Bill; Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time this day.

Adjournment. And it being after half-past Eleven of the clock on Tuesday evening, Mr. Deputy Speaker adjourned the House without Question put, pursuant to the Standing Order, it being then thirteen minutes before One of the clock on Wednesday morning, till this day.

Wednesday, 10th May 1916.

PRAYERS.

THE Local Government Provisional Order (No. 3) Bill was, according to Order, read a second time, and committed.

Local Government Provisional Ordre (No. 3) BILL.

The Local Government Provisional Orders (No. 4) Bill was, according to Order, read a second time, and committed.

Mr. Pethman presented a Bill to confirm certain Provisional Orders made by the Board of Trade under the General Pier and Harbour Act, 1861, relating to Ryde and Wicklow: 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.

Supreme Court of Judicature (Ireland.)

Mr. Montagu presented,—Return to an Order, dated the 26th day of April last, for a Return relative to the Supreme Court of Judicature (Ireland.)

Mr. Montagu also presented, pursuant to the directions of an Act of Parliament,—Copy of Regulations, dated 6th May 1916, made by the Insurance Commissioners and the Welsh Insurance Commissioners, entitled the National Health Insurance (Deposit Contributors' Administration Expenses) Regulations, 1916.

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

Fental Servitude Acts (Conditional Licence.)

Mr. Secretary Samuel presented, pursuant to the directions of an Act 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.

Arundel Port.

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 1915 to 25th March 1916.

East India (India Office, Retirement at Sixty-five.)

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 Copy of Minute by the Secretary of State for India, stating the circumstances under which a member of his permanent establishment has been retained in the Service after he has attained the age of Sixty-five.—(Mr. Secretary Chamberlain.)

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 Amendments Local made by this House to the Amendments made Government by the Lords to the Local Government (Emergency Provisions) Bill, without any Amend- Bill- ment.

Mr. Dillon, Member for East Mayo, rose in Adjournment, his place and asked leave to move the adjournment of the House for the purpose of discussing a definite matter of urgent public importance, viz., the continuance of Executions in Ireland Ireland on the sanction of secret military tribunals, and (Martial Law.)

the apparent want of any proper authority to control the proceedings of the military in that country: and the pleasure of the House having been signified, the Motion stood over, under Standing Order No. 10, till a quarter of an hour after Eight of the clock this evening.

John Lator Fitzpatrick, Esquire, Member for New Member the Queen's County (Ossory Division), was sworn.

Ordered, That the proceedings on Government Business of Business be not interrupted this night under the the Standing Order (Sittings of the House), and may be entered upon at any time though opposed.—(The Prime Minister.)

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

(In the Committee.)

Clause No. 2 (Prolongation of expiring terms of service).

Mr. King moved, That the Chairman do report Progress, and ask leave to sit again; but the Chairman, being of opinion that the Motion was an abuse of the Rules of the House, (Abuse of Question declined to propose the Question thereupon to the Rules.)

Amendment proposed, in p. 2, 1. 10, to leave out the words "subsection (1) of section eighty-seven of the Army Act, and."—(Mr. King.)

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. 2, l. 10, after the words last inserted, to add the words "but this section shall not apply in the case of an only surviving son of a parent who has already lost one or more sons in the present war."—(Mr. Jowes-Hicks.)

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

Another Amendment proposed, in p. 2, l. 10, after the words last inserted, to add the words "and for home defence only."—(Colonel Low-wood.)

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

Another Amendment proposed, in p. 2, l. 10, after the words last inserted, to add the words "but a soldier retained in the Army under this section shall have the right of re-engaging for
Military Service Bill.

The House again resolved itself into a Committee on the Military Service Bill.

(In the Committee.)

Postponed proceeding on Amendment proposed on consideration of Clause 3 resumed.

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. 14, at the end, to insert the words "Provided that any man who, by virtue of this subsection, comes within the operation of subsection (1) of section one of the principal Act, as amended by this Act, shall not, unless he was discharged from the military or naval service of the Crown as or in connection with a punishment, be placed in the Army in any grade lower than that which he held, or corresponding to that which he held, as the case may be, on his discharge from the military or naval service of the Crown, and shall not receive pay or emoluments less advantageous to him than those to which he was entitled at the time of his discharge."—(Mr. King.)

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

Another Amendment proposed, in p. 2, l. 14, at the end, to insert the words "Provided always that such men on re-enlistment shall be restored to the same naval or military rank as they held before the termination of their period of service."—(Mr. Ronald McNeill.)

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

Another Amendment proposed, in p. 2, l. 14, at the end, to insert the words "Provided that such men, if discharged from the military service of the Crown, on re-enlistment shall be restored to the same military rank as they held before the termination of their period of service."—(Mr. Tennant.)

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

An Amendment made.

Another Amendment proposed, in p. 2, l. 14, at the end, to insert the words "But men who are called up under this subsection shall have an option for serving for home defence, instead of service abroad, if over thirty-five years of age."—(Mr. Barnes.)

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

Another Amendment proposed, in p. 2, l. 15, to leave out subsection (2).—(Mr. Pennefather.)

Question proposed, That the words proposed to be left out, to the word "unless," in l. 19, stand part of the Clause:—Debate arising:

Sir Philip Magnus rose in his place and claimed to move, That the Question be now put; but the Chairman withheld his assent, and declined then to put that Question:—Debate Assent resumed.

Sir Frederick Banbury rose in his place and claimed to move, That the Question be now put; but the Chairman withheld his assent, and declined then to put that Question:—Debate Assent resumed.

Question put, That the words proposed to be left out, to the word "unless," in l. 19, stand part of the Clause.

The Committee divided.

Tellers for the

Yeas.

Mr. Bridgeman.

Mr. King.

Noes.

Mr. Goldstone.

Mr. Morrell.

Mr. Beck.

Mr. Whitehouse.

1. 19, after the word "fifteen," to insert the words "unless he has received a certificate that he is permanently unfit for naval or military service of the Crown, or."—(Mr. Anderson.)

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

Other Amendments made.

Another Amendment proposed, in p. 2, l. 21, at the end, to insert the words "provided that the fifteenth day of June, nineteen hundred and sixteen."—(Mr. Holt.)

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

Another Amendment proposed, in p. 2, l. 21, at the end, to insert the words "A medical re-examination shall only take place at the direction of a properly constituted board, one-half of the members of which shall be civilian doctors, and men who are found unfit for active military duties shall be discharged from the reserve and given a certificate of absolute exemption."—(Mr. Whitehouse.)

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

Another Amendment proposed, in p. 2, l. 22, to leave out subsection (3).—(Mr. Whitehouse.)

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

Question put, That the Clause, as amended, stand part of the Bill.

The Committee divided.

Tellers for the | Mr. Geoffrey Howard, | Yeas, | Mr. James Hope : | 157. |
| Mr. Leif Jones, | 21. |

Clause No. 4 (Provision as to certificates of exemption).

Amendment proposed, in p. 2, l. 25, to leave out subsection (1).—(Mr. Whitehouse.)

Question, That the words proposed to be left out, to the word “thereof,” in l. 27, stand part of the Clause, put, and agreed to.

Another Amendment proposed, in p. 2, l. 31, to leave out subsection (2).—(Mr. Whitehouse.)

Question, That the words proposed to be left out, to the word “condition,” in l. 32, stand part of the Clause, put, and agreed to.

Amendments made.

Another Amendment proposed, in p. 2, to leave out ls. 37 and 38.—(Mr. King.)

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

Question put, That the Clause, as amended, stand part of the Bill.

The Committee divided.

Tellers for the | Mr. Bridgeham, | Yeas, | Mr. Beek : | 141. |
| Mr. Morrell, | 9. |

Clause No. 5 (Amendment of section three (3) of principal Act).

Amendment proposed, in p. 2, l. 40, to leave out from the word “if” to the first word “the,” in l. 41.—(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. 40, after the word “if,” to insert the words “the words.”—(Mr. King.)

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

Question put, That the Clause stand part of the Bill.

The Committee divided.

Tellers for the | Mr. Geoffrey Howard, | Yeas, | Mr. James Hope : | 126. |
| Mr. Leif Jones, | 13. |

Clause No. 6 (Proof of offences in connection with deserters and absentees).

Amendment proposed, in p. 3, l. 8, to leave out from the word “though” to the end of the Clause, in order to insert the words “in paragraphs (2) and (3) of the first-cited section, and in paragraphs (b) and (c) of subsection (1) of the second-cited section, there had been inserted, after the word ‘knowing’ the words ‘or having reason to believe.’”—(Mr. King.)
Ordered, That the said Paper do lie upon the Table.

Mr. Secretary Samuel presented, pursuant to Police Act, the directions of an Act of Parliament,—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 29th September 1915.

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

Mr. Montagu presented, pursuant to the direction of an Act of Parliament,—Copy of the Finance (No. 2) Act, 1915.

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

The Chairman of Ways and Means reported Local Government (Ireland) Provisional Orders (No. 2) Bill ; That they had considered the Orders therein contained ; that (No. 2) Bill, the said Orders ought to be confirmed ; and that they had directed Mr. Secretary Samuel 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 Imperial Continental Gas Association Bill Continental Gas Association Bill [Lords], with Amendments.

Ordered, That the Report do lie upon the Table.

Ordered, That the Motion relating to Ireland Business of Continuance of Martial Law) and the other the House Government Business have precedence this day (Supply) of the Business of Supply. — (The Prime Minister.)

Ordered, That the proceedings on Government Business of Business be not interrupted this night under the House, Standing Order (Sittings of the House), and may be entered upon at any time though opposed.—(The Prime Minister.)

A Motion was made, and the Question being put, That, in the interest of peace and good (Continuance of Martial Law.) government in Ireland, it is vitally important that the Government should make immediately a full statement of their intentions as to the continuance of executions in that country carried out as a result of secret military trials, and as to the continuance of martial law, military rule, and the searches and wholesale arrests now going on in various districts of the country—(Mr. Dillon)—It passed in the Negative.

The House, according to Order, resolved itself Military into a Committee on the Military Service Bill. Service Bill. (In the Committee.)

Clause No. 9 (Transfer to reserve under special circumstances). Question again proposed, That the Clause, as amended, stand part of the Bill:

Question put, and agreed to.

Clause No. 10 (Amendment of the Army (Transfers) Act, 1915). Amendments made.
Another Amendment proposed, in p. 4, l. 6, after the word "apply," to insert the words "and accordingly in that proviso there shall be added, after the words "he shall not," the words "except the Army Council otherwise directs." — (Mr. King.)

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

Clause, as amended, agreed to.

Clause No. 11 (Transfer of officers and men of the territorial force).

Amendments made.

Another Amendment proposed, in p. 4, l. 8, after the word "in," to insert the words "the Army Act or any Act amending the same, or in." — (Colonel Greig.)

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

Other Amendments made.

Clause, as amended, agreed to.

Clauses No. 12 and No. 13 agreed to.

Clause No. 14 amended, and agreed to.

A Clause (Amendment of subsection (2) of section one of principal Act)—(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 (Power to local tribunal to make attendance at drill with volunteer corps a condition of exemption from military service)—(Mr. Percy Harris)—brought up, and read the first time.

Motion made, and Question, That the Clause be read a second time, put, and negatived.

Another Clause (Exemption on the ground of conscientious objection)—(Mr. Edmund Harvey)—brought up, and read the first time.

Motion made, and Question, That the Clause be read a second time, put, and negatived.

Another Clause (Amendment of section two, subsection (1), of principal Act)—(Mr. Snowden)—brought up, and read the first time.

Motion made, and Question, That the Clause be read a second time, put, and negatived.

Another Clause (Certificate of exemption)—(Mr. Ellis Griffith)—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 (Construction of paragraph (b) of subsection (1) of section two of principal Act)—(Mr. Ellis Griffith)—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 (Certificate of exemption)—(Mr. Ellis Griffith)—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 two (3) of principal Act)—(Sir George Younger)—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 (Certificate of exemption)—(Mr. Percy Harris)—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.

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 the output of Beer (Restriction) Bill.

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

The Order of the day being read, for the British North America Bill.

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

The Order of the day being read, for the output of Second Reading of the British North America Bill.

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

The Order of the day being read, for the Output of Beer (Restriction) Bill:

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time upon Monday next.
Mr. Speaker laid upon the Table.—Report London from one of the Examiners of Petitions for County Council Private Bills, That in the case of the following (Money) Bill:—

**Bill**—

1. London County Council (Money) Bill. Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time.

Mr. Speaker laid upon the Table.—Report Provisional from one of the Examiners of Petitions for Orders for Bills Private Bills, That in the case of the following Orders (No. 2).—

**Order**—

1. Local Government Provisional Order (No. 2) Bill. Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time to-morrow.

The Local Government Provisional Orders (No. 2) Bill was, according to Order, read a second time, and committed.

The Local Government (Ireland) Provisional Order (No. 2) Bill was, according to Order, read a second time, and committed.

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The Marriages Provisional Order Bill was, according to Order, read a second time, and committed.

Mr. Secretary Samuel presented, by His Workmen’s Majesty’s Command,—Copy of Order made by the Secretary of State for the Home Department, dated 6th May 1916, extending the provisions of Section 8 of the Workmen’s Compensation Act, 1906, to other Diseases.

Mr. Secretary Samuel also presented, pursuant Shops Act, to the directions of an Act of Parliament, 1912. 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 as follows:

**Orders**—

1. Local Government Provisional Order (No. 2) Bill. Ordered, That the said Papers do lie upon the Table.

1. Urban District of Rowley Regis. Ordered, That the said Papers do lie upon the Table.

Mr. Secretary Chamberlain presented,—East India Return to an Address to His Majesty, dated the 10th day of this instant May, for a Return relative to East India (India Office, Retirement at Sixty-five). Ordered, That the said Return do lie upon the Table.

The Lord Advocate presented, by His Royal Majesty’s Command,—Copy of the Twenty Observatory: (Edinburgh).
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Military Service Bill.

Another Clause was offered to be added to the Bill (Certificates to extend to objection to all military service).—(Mr. Edmund Harvey.)

And the said Clause was brought up, and read the first time.

Another Clause was offered to be added to the Bill (Imprisonment in a public prison, and recognition that the man has not enlisted on failure to observe terms of certificate of exemption).—(Mr. Edmund Harvey.)

And the said Clause was brought up, and read the first time.

Another Clause was offered to be added to the Bill (Conscientious objection to extend to all military service).—(Mr. Edmund Harvey.)

And the said Clause was brought up, and read the first time.

North British Railway Bill.

Sir Stuart Samuel reported from the Committee on the North British 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; and had amended the Title, as followeth.—A Bill for conferring further powers upon the North British Railway Company; for authorising the construction of a road diversions; for empowering the Company and the Haddington County Council to acquire lands, and for other purposes.

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

A Motion was made, and the Question being put, That the proceedings on Government Business be not interrupted this night under the Standing Order (Sittings of the House), and may be entered upon at any time though opposed.—(Mr. Chancellor of the Exchequer);

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

Tellers for the Yeas, Mr. Gulland, Mr. Jones Hope; 163.
Tellers for the Noes, Mr. Hogge, Mr. Thomas; 29.

So it was resolved in the Affirmative.

The House, according to Order, proceeded to take into consideration the Military Service Bill, as amended in the Committee.

A Clause was offered to be added to the Bill (Conscientious objector).—(Sir Frederick Banbury.)

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 unanimously withdrawn.

Another Clause was offered to be added to the Bill (Procedure in cases of conscientious objection).—(Mr. Edmund Harvey.)

And the said Clause was brought up, and read the first time.

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And the said Clause was brought up, and read the first time.
The House divided.
The Yeas to the Right;
The Noes to the Left.

Tellers for the Mr. Holt, Yeas,
Mr. Arnold: 37.
Tellers for the Mr. Bridge, Noes,
Mr. Beek: 193.

So it passed in the Negative.

Another Clause was offered to be added to the Bill (Amendment of section two (1) (b) of principal Act).—(Mr. King.)

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 House proceeded to a Division.

And the House having continued to sit till after Twelve of the clock on Tuesday morning;

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

Tellers for the Mr. King, Yeas,
Mr. Hayden: 62.
Tellers for the Mr. Bridge, Noes,
Mr. Rea: 185.

So it passed in the Negative.

Another Clause was offered to be added to the Bill (Revision of exemption certificates).—(Mr. Ellis Griffith.)

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 (Leave to appeal).—(Mr. Whitehouse.)

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 (Amendment of section two (3) of principal Act)—(Sir George Younger)—was twice read; and made part of the Bill.

Then an Amendment was made to the Bill.

Ordered, That the further consideration of the Bill, as amended, be now adjourned.—(Mr. Long.)

Ordered, That the Bill, as amended in the Committee, be taken into further consideration this day.

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

Clause No. 1.

Amendments made.

Another Amendment proposed, in p. 2, l. 9, at the end, to insert the words "Provided also that during the hay and corn harvests farmers be authorised to reckon the working day by Greenwich time."—(Sir George Younger.)

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

Another Amendment made.

Clause, as amended, agreed to.

Clause No. 2 agreed to.

Title amended.

Bill, as amended, to be reported.

Mr. Deputy Speaker resumed the Chair; and the Deputy Chairman reported, That the Committee had gone through the Bill, and had amended the Title, as followeth:—A Bill to provide for the time in Great Britain and Ireland being in advance of Greenwich and Dublin mean time, respectively, during the summer months.

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 Ways and Committee of Ways and Means;

Resolved, That this House will, this day, resolve itself into the said Committee.

The Order of the day being read, for the British North America Bill;

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time this day.

The Order of the day being read, for the output of Beer (Restriction) Bill;

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time this day.

The Order of the day being read, for the Finance Bill;

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time this day.

The Order of the day being read, for the Religious Orders Relief Bill;

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time this day.

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

Resolved, That this House will, this day, resolve itself into the said Committee.

The Order of the day being read, for receiving the Report from the Committee of Supply of the 30th day of March last;

Ordered, That the Report be received this day.

And it being after half-past Eleven of Adjournment, the clock on Monday evening, Mr. Deputy Speaker adjourned the House without Question put, pursuant to the Standing Order, it being then five minutes after Two of the clock on Tuesday morning, till this day.
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PRAYERS.

The House proceeded to take into consideration the Amendments made by the Lords to the Colonial Bank 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 Local Government Provisional Order (No. 6) Bill was, according to Order, read a second time, and committed.

Mr. Runciman presented, pursuant to the directions of an Act of Parliament,—Copies of Reports to the Board of Trade by the Trinity House of Deptford Strand, the Commissioners of Northern Lighthouses, and the Commissioners of Irish Lights of their Inspection of Local Lighthouses, Buoys, and Beacons in 1915.

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

Mr. Montagu presented, by His Majesty's Command,—Revised Estimate of the amount required in the year ending 31st March 1917 to pay the Salaries and Expenses of the House of Commons.

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

The following Paper, pursuant to the directions of an Act of Parliament,—Copy of Report 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 October 1915 and the 31st March 1916.

Ordered, That the proceedings on the Military Service 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, proceeded to take into further consideration the Military Service Bill, as amended in the Committee.

Another Amendment was proposed to be made to the Bill, in p. 1, l. 8, by leaving out the word "eighteen," and inserting the word "nineteen"—(Mr. Whitehouse), instead thereof.

And the Question being proposed, That the word "eighteen" stand part of the Bill:—And a Debate arising thereupon:

Sir Philip Magnus 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;—Vol. 171.

The House divided.
The Yeas to the Right;—207.
The Noes to the Left;—32.

Tellers for the (Sir Philip Magnus, Mr. Booth:)
Yea,
Noes, (Mr. Sherwood:)

So it was resolved in the Affirmative.

And the Question being accordingly put, That the word "eighteen" stand part of the Bill:

The House divided.
The Yeas to the Right;—201.
The Noes to the Left;—49.

Tellers for the (Mr. Geoffrey Howard, Mr. James Hope:)
Yea,
Noes, (Mr. Anderson:)

So it was resolved in the Affirmative.

Then other Amendments were made to the Bill.

Another Amendment was proposed to be made to the Bill, in p. 2, l. 1, by leaving out subsection (3) of Clause 1.—(Mr. Edmund Hurley.)

And the Question being proposed, That the words proposed to be left out stand part of the Bill:—The said proposed Amendment was, with leave of the House, withdrawn.

Another Amendment was proposed to be made to the Bill, in p. 2, l. 11, by leaving out the words "provided the man referred to in such sections is under the age of forty-one," and inserting the words "Provided that this section shall not apply in the case of men who, when their time for discharge occurs, have served a period of twelve years or more and have attained the age of forty-one years"—(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;

An Amendment was proposed to be made to the said proposed Amendment, in l. 1, by leaving out the word "not."—(Captain Amery.)

And the Question being put, That the word "not" stand part of the said proposed Amendment:—It was resolved in the Affirmative.

And the Question being put, That the words "Provided that this section shall not apply in the case of men who, when their time for discharge occurs, have served a period of twelve years or more and have attained the age of forty-one years" be there inserted in the Bill:—It was resolved in the Affirmative.

Another Amendment was proposed to be made to the Bill, in p. 2, l. 13, by leaving out subsection (1) of Clause 3.—(Mr. King.)

And the Question being put, That the words proposed to be left out, to the word "effect," in p. 2, l. 14, stand part of the Bill:—It was resolved in the Affirmative.

Another Amendment was proposed to be made to the Bill, in p. 2, l. 14, by leaving out from the word "effect" to the end of subsection (1) of Clause 3.—(Captain Amery.)

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. 2, l. 20, by leaving out subsection (2) of Clause 3.—(Mr. Pringle.)

And the Question being put, That the words proposed to be left out, to the word “August,” in p. 2, l. 21, stand part of the Bill;

The House divided.

The Yeas to the Right;

The Noes to the Left.

Tellers for the [Mr. James Hope, Yeas, 140.

Tellers for the [Mr. Pringle, Noes, 48.

So it was resolved in the Affirmative.

Then other Amendments were made to the Bill.

Another Amendment was proposed to be made to the Bill, in p. 2, l. 26, by inserting, at the end thereof the words “before the first-mentioned date.”—(Mr. Long.)

And the Question being proposed, That those words be there inserted in the Bill;

An Amendment was proposed to be made to the said proposed Amendment, by leaving out the words “mentioned date,” and inserting the words “day of July, nineteen hundred and sixteen”—(Sir John Simon), instead thereof.

And the Question being proposed, That the words “mentioned date” stand part of the said proposed Amendment.—The Amendment to the said proposed Amendment was, with leave of the House, withdrawn.

And the Question being put, That the words “before the first-mentioned date” 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. 3, l. 3, by leaving out Clause 5.—(Mr. John Simon.)

And the Question being put, That the words proposed to be left out, to the end of p. 3, l. 3, stand part of the Bill;

The House divided.

The Yeas to the Right;

The Noes to the Left.

Tellers for the [Mr. Bridgeman, Yeas, 189.

Tellers for the [Mr. Anderson, Noes, 62.

So it was resolved in the Affirmative.

Then another Amendment was made to the Bill.

Another Amendment was proposed to be made to the Bill, in p. 3, l. 5, by inserting, after the words last inserted, the words “apply only in the case of a man who has been engaged in an occupation certified by a Government department to be work of national importance, or whose conditions of employment have been subject to the provisions of section seven of the Munitions of War Act, 1915; and in all other cases the subsection shall.”—(Mr. Barnes.)

And the Question being proposed, That those words be there inserted in the Bill;

The said proposed Amendment was amended, in l. 4, by inserting, after the first word “of,” the words “section seven of;” and by leaving out the word “Acts,” and inserting the word “Act,” instead thereof.—(Mr. Solicitor General.)

And the Question being put, That the words “apply only in the case of a man who has been engaged in an occupation certified by a Government department to be work of national importance, or whose conditions of employment have been subject to the provisions of section seven of the Munitions of War Act, 1915; and in all other cases the subsection shall” 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. 18, by inserting, at the end thereof the words “but no such man shall be employed under military orders in any trade or industry.”—(Mr. Jowett.)

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

Then other Amendments were made to the Bill.

A Motion was made, and the Question being put, That the Bill be now read the third time—(Mr. Long);

The House divided.

The Yeas to the Right;

The Noes to the Left.

Tellers for the [Mr. Gulland, Yeas, 250.

Tellers for the [Mr. Leif Jones, Noes, 35.

So it was resolved in the Affirmative.

The Bill was accordingly read the third time—Bill 43.

and passed; and ordered to be printed.

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

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 British North America Bill;

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

The Order of the day being read, for the Output of Beer (Restriction) Bill;

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

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

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

The Order of the day being read, for the Religious Orders Relief Bill;

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

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

Resolved, That this House will, to-morrow, resolve itself into the said Committee.
The Order of the day being read, for receiving the Report from the Committee of Supply of the 30th day of March last, Ordered, That the Report be received to-morrow.

Whereupon Mr. Speaker, pursuant to the Order of the House of the 22nd 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.

Wednesday, 17th May 1916.

PRAYERS.

Mr. Arthur Henderson presented, pursuant to the directions of an Act of Parliament,—Copy of Petition from Mrs. E. M. Sidgwick, widow, and others, praying for the grant of a Charter under the College Charter Act, 1871, to Newnham College, Cambridge; together with Copy of the Draft of the Charter applied for.

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

Mr. Secretary Samuel presented, by His Majesty's Command,—Copy of Second Report of the Medical Service Board of the Highlands and Islands, for the year 1915.

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 of State for the Home Department, to conduct experiments to test the value of dry-powder Fire Extinguishers, as compared with water and other "first-aid" appliances for extinguishing or effectively controlling fires such as are likely to be caused by bombs.

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

Mr. Long presented, by His Majesty's Command,—Copy of Regulations made by the Military Service (Civil Liabilities) Committee, with the concurrence of the Lords Commissioners of His Majesty's Treasury.

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

The Chairman of Ways and Means reported from the Select Committee on Alexander's Restitution Bill [Lords]; That they had gone through the Bill, and directed him to report the same, without Amendment.

Ordered, That the Report be lie upon the Table; and be printed.

Ordered, That the Minutes of the proceedings of the Committee be printed.

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

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

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

A Motion was made, and the Question being put: It was resolved in the Affirmative.

Mr. Speaker reported, 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 twenty-one minutes after Eleven of the clock, adjourned till to-morrow.

Thursday, 18th May 1916.

PRAYERS.

Mr. Speaker placed upon the Table,—Report of Provisional Order Bills: Standing Orders which, are applicable thereto have been complied with, viz.:

Local Government Provisional Orders (No. 5) Bill.
Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time upon Monday next.

Alexander's Restitution Bill [Lords.]

Alexander's Restitution 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.

Swansea Harbour Bill [Lords.]

The House proceeded to take into consideration the Swansea Harbour Bill [Lords], as amended in the Committee.

A Clause (Incorporation of Harbours, Docks, and Piers Clauses Act, 1847) was twice read; and made part of the Bill.

Then Amendments were made to the Bill.

Ordered, That the Bill be read the third time.

Supreme Court of Judicature Act (Ireland), 1877.

Mr. T. W. Russell presented, pursuant to the directions of an Act of Parliament,—Copy of Order in Council, dated 8th May 1916, under the Supreme Court of Judicature Act (Ireland), 1877, giving effect to Rules of Court.

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

Colonial Reports (Annual.)

Mr. Secretary Bonar Law presented, by His Majesty's Command,—Copy of Colonial Report, No. 884 (Gilbert and Ellice Islands Protectorate, Report for 1914–15).

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

Navy and Army Services, Warlike Operations, and other Expenditure arising out of the War 1916–17 (Supplementary Vote of Credit.) No. 77.

Mr. Montagu presented, by His Majesty's Command,—Supplementary Estimate of the sum required to be voted for general 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.

Motor Car Acts.

The Lord Advocate 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 11th May 1916, inter alia, partially rescinding the Motor Car Act, 1903, dated 11th May 1916, and made part of the Bill.

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

Civil Servants of Military Ages.

Ordered, That there be laid before this House a Copy of Return showing the number of persons employed in the various Government Departments in Great Britain at the outbreak of war and on the 1st day of April 1916: the number who have joined the Forces; and the number of military age remaining on the same date.—(Mr. Montagu.)

Mr. Montagu accordingly presented the said Paper.

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

No. 78.

East India (Financial Statement and Budget.)

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 1916–17, and discussions thereon in the Legislative Council of the Governor General (in continu-
The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Religious Orders Relief Bill;

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time, and committed.

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

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

The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Output of Beer (Restriction) Bill;

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time 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.

Ordered, 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 [30th March] Report.

Ordered, That the Report be received to-morrow.

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

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

The Order of the day being read, for the Finance Bill.

Ordered, That the Report be received to-morrow.

The Order of the day being read, for the British North America Bill:

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

The Order of the day being read, for the British North America (Restoration) Bill;

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

The Order of the day being read, for the Religious Orders Relief Bill;

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

Whereupon Mr. Speaker, pursuant to the Order of the House of the 22nd 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 Eleven of the clock, adjourned till tomorrow.

Tuesday, 23rd May 1916.

PRAYERS.

THE Swansea Harbour Bill [Lords] was read the third time and passed, with Amendments.

Ordered, That the Clerk do carry the Bill to the Lords; and acquaint them that this House hath agreed to the same, with Amendments; to which the House doth desire the concurrence of their Lordships.

The House proceeded to take into consideration the Imperial Continental Gas Association Bill [Lords], as amended in the Committee.

Ordered, That the Bill be read the third time.

Mr. Hayes Fisher, supported by Mr. Long, presented a Bill to confirm certain Provisional Orders of the Local Government Board relating to Westhoughton and the District of the Swinton and Mexborough Gas Board: 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. Actaul presented a Bill to confirm a Provisional Order made by the Board of Agriculture and Fisheries under the Land Drainage Act, 1914, relating to Felthwell New Fen District and Felthwell Fen Second District, 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.

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

Secretary Sir Edward Grey presented, by His Majesty's Command,—Copy of further Correspondence with the United States Ambassador respecting the treatment of British Prisoners of War and interned Civilians in Germany (in continuation of Miscellaneous, No. 19, 1915).

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

Mr. Montagu presented, by His Majesty's Command,—Copy of Interim Report of the Departmental Committee on Approved Society Finance and Administration; and Correspondence thereon.

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

Mr. Secretary Samuel presented, pursuant to the directions of an Act of Parliament,—Copy of Order made under the Shops Act, 1912, by the Council of the aforementioned Local Authorit,

and confirmed by the Secretary of State for the Home Department:—

County Borough of Huddersfield.

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

The following Paper, pursuant to the direction of the House of the Imperial and Local Government, was laid upon the Table by the Clerk of the House:—Copy of Imperial Indictment of an Act of Parliament, was laid upon the Table:—Copy of Imperial Indictment (Criminal Informations and Inquisitions) Rules, 1916, relating to Criminal Informations and Inquisitions, dated 23rd May 1916, under the Indictment Act, 1915, made by the Rule Committee established under the Act.

William Frederick Hicks Booth, Esquire, New Members Member for the County of Gloucester (Northern Division), was sworn.

Colonel William Hall Walker, Member for South West Lancashire (Widnes Division), was sworn.

Mr. Speaker acquainted the House that a Message from the Lords by the Lords, was read the first time.

Ordered, That the Amendments made by the Lords to the Military Service Bill be taken into consideration to-morrow; and be printed. Bill 47.

The Aberdare and Aberaman Gas Bill [Lords] was read the first time.

Ordered, That the Bill be referred to the Examiners of Petitions for Private Bills.

Dr. Macnamara presented a Bill to amend Naval Discipline Act with respect to the Powers and Duties of the Commander-in-Chief of the Grand Fleet during the present War:—Bill 46.

And the same was ordered to be read a second time to-morrow; and to be printed.

Ordered, That the proceedings on Government Business be not interrupted this night under the Standing Order (Sittings of the House), and may be entered upon at any time though opposed. (The Prime Minister.)

The Order of the day being read, for the Supply Committee of Supply (Supplementary Vote of Credit); And a Motion being made, and the Question being put, That Mr. Speaker do now leave the Chair:—The Prime Minister:—It was resolved in the Affirmative.

Ordered, That Mr. Speaker do now leave the Chair.

The House accordingly resolved itself into the Committee.

(In the Committee.)

Supplementary Vote of Credit, 1916-17.

Resolved, That a Supplementary sum not exceeding £500,000,000 be granted to His Majesty, beyond the ordinary Grants of Parlia-
The Order of the day being read, for the Finance Bill; Committee on the Finance Bill; 

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

The Order of the day being read, for the Religious Orders Relief Bill; Second Reading of the Religious Orders Relief Bill; 

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

A Motion being made, That this House will, Finance to-morrow, resolve itself into a Committee to consider of authorising the Treasury to provide for the issue of new securities for the purpose of the exchange of securities issued under any War Loan Act passed during the continuance of the War, and for the cancellation of the securities received in exchange, in pursuance of any Act of the present Session dealing with Finance—(Mr. Gallond); 

Mr. Montagu, 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, ordered, that the Order of the House of the 22nd 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 Eight of the clock, adjourned till to-morrow.


Wednesday, 24th May 1916.

PRAYERS.

The House proceeded to take into considera- tion the Alexander (Newport and South Wales) Docks and Railway Bill, as amended in the Committee.

Ordered, That the Bill be read the third time.

Mr. Montagu, by His Majesty's Command, 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 1916; also of the particular application thereof, pursuant to Section 7 of the Sinking Fund Act, 1875.

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

Mr. Secretary Samuel, by His Historical Majesty's Command, printed, a Copy of Diary of Vis- itations of an Act of Parliament, Account of the Earl Commission.)

Copy of a Licence granted to a Convict under the Penal Servitude Acts, discharging her from the Penal Servitude Acts, from the Aylesbury Convict Prison on condition that she enters a Home.

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:

- National Insurance Act, 1911 (Part II.), Account, as laid on the Table by the Clerk of the House, 24th May 1916.

Supreme Court (Rules.)

Copy of Rules of the Supreme Court (Poor Persons), 1914, Amendment, 1916, dated 24th May 1916.

Copy of Rules of the Supreme Court (Friendly Societies Act Rules), 1916, dated 24th May 1916.


Ordered, That the Paper relative to National Insurance Act, 1911 (Part II.), Account, be printed.

Message from the Lords.

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

The Lords have agreed to the City of Dublin Steam Packet Company Bill, without any Amendment.

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

The Lords have agreed to the Amendments made by this House to the Swansea Harbour Bill [Lords], without any Amendment.

The Lords have referred the Government of India Bill to the Joint Committee of both Houses appointed to consider all Consolidation Bills of the present Session. The Lords have added Three Lords to the said Committee for the consideration of the said Bill, and request this House to add an equal number of their Members.

Anglo-Portuguese Commercial Treaty Bill

Bill 48.

Ordered, That the proceedings on Government Business be not arrested this night under the Standing Order (Sittings of the House), and may be entered upon at any time though opposed.—(The Prime Minister.)

The House, according to Order, proceeded to take into consideration the Amendments made by the Lords to the Military Service Bill.

The Lords' Amendments as far as the Amendment in p. 3, l. 17, being read a second time, were agreed to.

The Lords' Amendment in p. 3, l. 17, at the end, insert the following new subsections:

("(3) It is hereby declared that the power to grant special certificates of exemption in the case of an application on conscientious grounds under subsection (3) of section 2 of the principal Act is additional to, and not in derogation of, the general power conferred by that Act to grant an absolute, conditional, or temporary certificate in such cases.

(4) Paragraph (6) of the Second Schedule to the principal Act shall have effect as if for the expression 'local tribunals,' wherever that expression occurs, there were substituted the word 'tribunals';")

(5) Regulations made under the Second Schedule of the principal Act may provide for permitting the rehearing of a case by a tribunal in cases specified in the regulations.

The Lords' Amendment was divided.

So much of the Lords' Amendment as relates to the insertion of subsection (3) was agreed to.

So much of the Lords' Amendment as relates to the insertion of subsection (4) was agreed to.

So much of the Lords' Amendment as relates to the insertion of subsection (5) was agreed to.

The Lords' Amendment in p. 3, l. 21, leave out ("re-entering"), and insert ("entering"), the next Amendment, being read a second time, was agreed to.

The Lords' Amendment in p. 3, l. 27 and 28, leave out ("a man who has"), and insert ("men who have"), the next Amendment, being read a second time;

And a Motion being made, and the Question being put, That this House doth agree with the Lords in the said Amendment—(Mr. Long); The House divided.

The Yeas to the Right;

The Noes to the Left.

Tellers for the (Mr. Galland, Yeas, 160. Mr. Bridgeman: 69. Tellers for the (Mr. Parker, Noes, Mr. Goldstone: 42.)

So it was resolved in the Affirmative.

Then the subsequent Lords' Amendments as far as the Amendment after Clause 6, being read a second time, were agreed to.

The Lords' Amendment, after Clause 6, insert Clause A (Provisions as to exemption of medical practitioners):

("Regulations made under the Second Schedule to the principal Act shall provide for the establishment of professional committees to deal with claims for exemption made by duly qualified medical practitioners; and any application made by such a medical practitioner on any ground, other than that of conscientious objection, for a certificate of exemption shall be referred by the tribunal to whom it is made to such a committee in accordance with those regulations; and the recommendation of the committee on the application shall be binding on any tribunal constituted under the principal Act,"), the next Amendment, being read a second time;

And a Motion being made, and the Question being put, That this House doth agree with the Lords in the said Amendment—(Mr. Long); The House divided.

The Yeas to the Right;

The Noes to the Left.

Tellers for the (Mr. Bridgeman, Yeas, 163. Mr. Geoffrey Howard: 42. Tellers for the (Mr. Holt, Noes, Mr. Pringle: 42.)

So it was resolved in the Affirmative.

Then the remaining Lords' Amendments, being read a second time, were agreed to.

Ordered, That the Clerk do carry the Bill to the Lords; and acquaint them that this House hath agreed to the Amendments made by their Lordships.
Mr. Gulland reported from the Committee of Supply of the 23rd day of this instant May a Resolution; which was read, as followeth:

Supplementary Vote of Credit, 1916-17.

That a Supplementary sum not exceeding £300,000,000 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 1917 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 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 Distresses; 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, was agreed to.

Mr. Gulland reported from the Committee of Ways and Means of the 23rd day of this instant May a Resolution; which was read, as followeth:

Ways and Means of the 23rd day of this instant May a Resolution; which was read, as followeth:

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 31st day of March 1917, the sum of £300,000,000 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 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 31st day of March 1917, the sum of £300,000,000 be granted out of the Consolidated Fund of the United Kingdom.

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

The Order of the day being read, for receiving Supply the Report from the Committee of Supply of the 22nd 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 30th day of March last:

Ordered, That the Report be received to-morrow.

The Order of the day being read, for the Religious Orders Relief Resolution to be reported.

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

The House, according to Order, resolved itself into a Committee on Finance (Exchange of Securities).

(In the Committee.)

Resolved, That it is expedient to authorise the Treasury to provide, during the continuance of the present War and six months thereafter, for the issue of new securities for the purpose of the exchange of securities issued under any War Loan Act passed during the continuance of the War, and for the cancellation of the securities received in exchange, in pursuance of any Act of the present Session dealing with Finance.—(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.

And it being after half-past Eleven of Adjournment, the clock, Mr. Speaker adjourned the House without Question put, pursuant to the Standing Order, it being then twenty-eight minutes before Twelve of the clock, till to-morrow.
Mr. Speaker laid upon the Table.—Report from one of the Examiners of Petitions for Private Bills, That in the case of the following Bill, referred on the First Reading thereof, no Standing Orders are applicable, viz.:-

Pie and Harbour Provisional Orders Bill.

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

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

Mr. Montague presented, pursuant to the directions of an Act of Parliament,—Copy of Treasury Minute, dated 6th February 1916, directing Fees, &c. payable to the Registry of Friendly Societies shall be applied as Appropriations in Aid of the Vote for that Department.

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

Mr. Secretary Chamberlain presented, by His Majesty's Command,—Copy of Annual Report of the Chief Veterinary Officer of the Board of Agriculture and Fisheries for the year 1915.

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

Mr. Acland presented, by His Majesty's Command,—Copy of Annual Report of the Chief Veterinary Officer of the Board of Agriculture and Fisheries for the year 1915.

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

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.

The Chairman of Ways and Means reported from the Committee on the Local Government Provisional Orders (No. 2) 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.

The Chairman of Ways and Means reported from the Committee on the Local Government (Ireland) 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.

The Chairman of Ways and Means reported from the Committee on the Local Government (Ireland) Provisional Order (Gas) 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.

The Chairman of Ways and Means reported from the Committee on the Local Government (Ireland) 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.

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 Report House.

Ordered, That the Report do lie upon the Table.

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

The Lords have passed a Bill, intituled An Act to confirm a Scheme made by a Committee of the Lords of His Majesty's Privy Council under the Municipal Corporation Acts, 1882 and 1885, relating to Buxton; to which the Lords desire the concurrence of this House.

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

The Lords have passed a Bill, intituled An Act to dissolve the Marriage of the Honourable Flora Fitzmaurice Irvine with Edward Saint George Tottenham Irvine, her now husband, and to enable her to marry again, and for other purposes; to which the Lords desire the concurrence of this House.

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

The Chairman of Ways and Means reported from the Committee on the Halifax Corporation 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, without Amendment, to the House.
The Municipal Corporations (Buxton Scheme Confirmation) Bill [Lords] was read the first time.

Ordered, That the Bill be referred to the Examiners of Petitions for Private Bills; and be printed.

Irvine's Divorce Bill [Lords] was read the first time, and ordered to be read a second time.

Mr. Solicitor General presented a Bill to give Courts in connection with the present War further powers of granting relief; And the same was ordered to be read a second time upon Monday next; and to be printed.

Business of the House (Supply.)

The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Consolidated Fund (No. 3) Bill; And a Motion being made, and the Question being proposed, That the Bill be now read a second time;

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. Military Service Act, 1916 (Session 2).
6. An Act for the restitution in blood of the heirs of the late Reginald Gervase Alexander so far as relates to the Honour and Dignity of the Barony of Cobham.

And the Question being again proposed, That the Consolidated Fund (No. 3) Bill be now read a second time;

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 Monday next.

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ORDERED, That the Clerks 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 Tynemouth Corporation Bill, as amended in the Committee.

ORDERED, That the Bill be read the third time.

The Tynemouth Corporation 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 Order (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.

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 Local Government Provisional Orders (No. 1) Bill was, according to Order, read the third time and passed.

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

The House, according to Order, proceeded to take into consideration the Local Government Provisional Order (No. 6) Bill, as amended in the Committee.

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

ORDERED, That the Bill be referred to the Examiners of Petitions for Private Bills; and be printed.

Mr. Secretary Chamberlain presented, pursuant to the directions of an Act of Parliament, —Copy of Amendments in the Regulations for the nomination and selection of Members of the Punjab Legislative Council.

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

Mr. Runciman presented, by His Majesty's Railway Command,—Copy of Returns of Accidents and Accidents Casualties as reported to the Board of Trade by the several Railway Companies in the United Kingdom during the year 1915.

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

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Mr. Secretary Samuel presented, by His Railway and Majesties's Command,—Copy of Twenty-Seventh Annual Report of the Railway and Canal Commission, with Appendix.

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Mr. Montagu presented, by His Majesty's Civil Service Command,—Copy of Sixtieth Report of His Majesty's Civil Service Commissioners, with Appendices.

Copy of List of certain Commissions and Committees set up to deal with Public Questions arising out of the War (in continuation of [Cd. 7855]).

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

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.

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

Denis Stannius Henry, Esquire, K.C., Member, for the County of Londonderry (South sworn, Derry Division), was sworn.

The House, according to Order, resolved itself into a Committee on the Consolidated Fund Bill (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 House, according to Order, resolved itself into the Committee of Ways and Means.

(In the Committee.)

Additional Income Tax on Income from certain Securities.

Resolved, That there shall be charged for the year beginning the sixth day of April, nineteen hundred and sixteen, and for any subsequent year for which income tax is charged, on the income derived from any stocks, shares, or other
securities which the Treasury have declared that they are willing to purchase in connection with any arrangements for the regulation and maintenance of the Foreign Exchanges, an additional duty of Income Tax at the rate of two shillings in the pound, and that no person shall be entitled to any exemption, abatement, or relief under the Income Tax Acts in respect of such additional Income Tax.

And it is declared that it is expedient in the public interest that the 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.

Ordered, That the Report be received to-morrow.

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

Ordered, That the Report be received to-morrow.

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

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

The Naval Discipline (Delegation of 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. Rea.)

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 to-morrow.—(Mr. Rea.)

The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Output of Beer (Restriction) Bill.

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

An Amendment was proposed to be made to the Question, by leaving out the word "now," and, at the end of the Question, adding the words "upon this day six months."—(Mr. Gretton.)

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:—It was resolved in the Affirmative.

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

Tuesday, 30th May 1916.

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.:—Aberdare and Aberman Gas Bill [Lords].

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time.

The Alexandra (Newport and South Wales) Alexandra Docks and Railway Bill was read the third time and passed.

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

Irving’s Divorce Bill [Lords] was read a second time, and committed.

The Local Government Provisional Order Local Government Provisional Order (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.
Mr. Secretary Samuel presented, by His Majesty's Command, Copy of the Annual Report of the Commissioners of Education in Ireland for the year 1915.

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

Secretary Sir Edward Grey presented, by His Majesty's Command, Copy of Correspondence with the United States Ambassador respecting the transfer to Switzerland of British and German wounded and sick combattant Prisoners of War.

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

The Chairman of Ways and Means reported the London County Council (Money) Bill, with Amendments.

Ordered, That the Report do lie upon the Table.

The Consolidated Fund (No. 3) Bill was, according to Order, read the third time and passed.

Mr. Speaker's Certificate.

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 Naval Discipline (Delegation of Powers) 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.

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.

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 read the third time to-morrow.

The House, according to Order, resolved itself into a Committee on the Courts (Emergency Powers) (Amendment) (No. 2) Bill.

(In the Committee.)

Clause No. 1 (Amendment of principal Act as to mortgagees and companies).

Amendment proposed, in p. 1, l. 9, at the end, to insert the words "and the expression 'mortgagee in possession' shall have a corresponding meaning."—(Mr. Ellis Davies.)

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

Amendments made.

Clause, as amended, agreed to.

Clause No. 2 (Power of county court to remove restrictions imposed by 5 & 6 Geo. 5, c. 97, s. 1 (2)).

Amendment proposed, in p. 2, l. 4, to leave out from the word " tenure " to the word " and," in p. 2, l. 6, in order to insert the words "are fair and reasonable, both parties agreeing."—(Mr. Boyton.)

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.

Clauses No. 3 and No. 4 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 Order of the day being read, for the output of Beer (Restriction) Bill;

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

Mr. George Roberts reported from the Committee on Finance (Exchange of Securities) a Resolution; which was read, as followeth:

That it is expedient to authorise the Treasury to provide, during the continuance of the present War and six months thereafter, for the issue of new securities for the purpose of the exchange of securities issued under any War Loan Act passed during the continuance of the War, and for the cancellation of the securities received in exchange, in pursuance of any Act of the present Session dealing with Finance.

The said Resolution being read a second time;

And a Motion being made, and the Question being proposed, That this House doth agree with the Committee in the said Resolution:—And a Debate arising thereupon;
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 net Income and Expenditure of British India, under certain specified heads, for the three years from 1912-13 to 1914-15.—(Sir Herbert Roberts.)

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

The Lords have agreed to the Amendments made by this House to the Imperial Continental Continental Gas Association Bill [Lords], without any further Amendment.

The Lords have passed a Bill, intituled An Yealand Water Act to confer further powers upon the Yealand Bill [Lords.] Waterworks Company, and for other purposes; to which the Lords desire the concurrence of this House.

The Lords have passed a Bill, intituled An Ferndale Gas Act to confer further powers upon the Ferndale Bill [Lords.] Gas Company, Limited, and for other purposes; to which the Lords desire the concurrence of this House.

The Lords have passed a Bill, intituled An Hornsey Gas Act to define the boundary between the limits of the Hornsey Gas Company and the Gas Light and Coke Company for the supply of gas, and for other purposes; to which the Lords desire the concurrence of this House.

The Lords have passed a Bill, intituled An Colchester Gas Act to confer further powers upon the Colchester Gas Company, and to extend their limits of supply, and for other purposes; to which the Lords desire the concurrence of this House.

The Yealand Water Bill [Lords] was read the Yealand Water Bill [Lords.] first time.

Ordered, That the Bill be referred to the Examiners of Petitions for Private Bills.

The Ferndale Gas Bill [Lords] was read the Ferndale Gas Bill [Lords.] first time.

Ordered, That the Bill be referred to the Examiners of Petitions for Private Bills.

The Hornsey Gas Bill [Lords] was read the Hornsey Gas Bill [Lords.] first time.

Ordered, That the Bill be referred to the Examiners of Petitions for Private Bills.

The Colchester Gas Bill [Lords] was read the Colchester Gas Bill [Lords.] first time.

Ordered, That the Bill be referred to the Examiners of Petitions for Private Bills.

Mr. Ginnell, Member for North Westmeath, Adjournment, rose in his place and asked leave to move the adjournment of the House for the purpose of discussing a definite matter of urgent public importance, viz., the continuance of Martial Law Martial Law in Ireland and its administration; but the leave to Ireland. of the House not having been signified, the House proceeded to the Business of the day.

Resolved, That this House do meet to-morrow Sittings at Twelve of the clock. — (The Prime Minister.) the House.

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

(In the Committee.) Army Estimates, 1916-17.

Motion made, and Question proposed, That a sum not exceeding £1,000 be granted to His o 2
Majesty, to defray the Expense of the War Office, which will come in course of payment during the year ending on the 31st day of March 1917:

Whereupon Motion made, and Question, That a sum not exceeding £900 be granted for the said Service—(Sir Ivor Herbert), put, and negatived.

Original Question put, and agreed to.

Resolution to be reported.

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

Ordered, That the Report be received to-morrow.

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

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

The Order of the day being read, for receiving the Report from the Committee of Supply of the 22nd 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 20th day of March last;

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 29th 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 22nd 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 20th day of March last;

Ordered, That the Report be received to-morrow.

The Order of the day being read, for the Third Reading of the Anglo-Portuguese Commercial Treaty Bill:

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

The Order of the day being read, for resuming the adjourned Debate on the Question proposed upon the 30th day of this instant May, That this House doth agree with the Committee in the Resolution reported from the Committee on Finance (Exchange of Securities);

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

Whereupon Mr. Speaker, pursuant to the Order of the House of the 22nd 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 Eleven of the clock, adjourned till to-morrow.

Thursday, 1st June 1916.

The House met at Twelve of the clock.

PRAYERS.

Mr. Speaker laid upon the Table.—Report of Provisional Orders in Council.

Mr. Secretary Bonar Law presented, by His Majesty's Command, Return East India to an Address to His Majesty, dated the 31st day of May last, for a Return relative to East India (Income and Expenditure). No. 85.

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

Mr. Secretary Chamberlain presented, Return East India to the directions of an Act of Parliament, Copy of Minutes of Evidence of a Committee on Edible and Oil-producing Nuts and Seeds, with a Despatch from the Secretary of State for the Colonies.

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

Mr. Secretary Bonar Law presented, by His Majesty's Command,—Copy of Report of a Committee on Edible and Oil-producing Nuts and Seeds, with a Despatch from the Secretary of State for the Colonies.

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

Mr. Secretary Chamberlain presented, Return East India to the directions of several Acts of Parliament, Copies of Two Orders in Council under the Acts, 1889.

The Lord Advocate also presented, pursuant to the directions of an Act of Parliament,—Copy of Report of University Court Ordinance, No. 51 (Saint Andrews, Glasgow, Aberdeen, and Edinburgh, General, No. 3) (Regulations as to Preliminary Examinations), under the Universities (Scotland) Act, 1889.

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


Copy of Order in Council under the Merchant Shipping Act, 1894, and the Merchant Shipping (Convention) Act, 1914, dated 23rd May 1916.

Copy of Order in Council under the Naval Discipline Act, 1866, dated 23rd May 1916; postponing the operation of the Act of 1914 to 1st January 1917.

Copy of Order in Council under the Naval Discipline Act, 1866, dated 23rd May 1916; provisionally approving certain Revised General Orders regulating the procedure and practice of Naval Courts-Martial.

Copy of Order in Council under the Foreign Jurisdiction Acts, 1890 and 1913, dated 23rd May 1916, applying the Colonial Solicitors Act, 1900, to the High Court and Protectorate of Southern Rhodesia.

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:—Accounts of Receipts and Expenditure of the Intermediate Education Board for Ireland for the year 1915; together with the Report of the Comptroller and Auditor General thereon.

Ordered, That the said Paper 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 Discipline (Delegation of Powers) Bill, without any Amendment.

The Lords have agreed to the South Metropolitan Gas Bill, with Amendments; to which the Lords desire the concurrence of this House.

The Lords have agreed to the South Eastern and London, Chatham, and Dover Railways Bill [Lords.]

The Lords have agreed to the Courts (Emergency Powers) (Amendment) (No. 2) Bill, without any Amendment.

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

The Lords have agreed to the Consolidated Fund (No. 3) Bill, without any Amendment.

The Lords have agreed to the British North America Bill.

The Lords have agreed to the Naval Discipline Act, 1866, dated 23rd May 1911, to the South Metropolitan Gas Bill.

Ordered, That the said Bill be referred to the Examiners of Petitions for Private Bills.

Mr. Pretyman presented a Bill to authorise, as respects Gas undertakings, the substitution of a standard of calorific power for a standard of illuminating power; and the same was ordered to be read a second time upon Monday next; and to be printed.

Mr. Solicitor General, supported by Mr. Lloyd George, Dr. Addison, Dr. Macnamara, and Mr. Forster, presented a Bill to make provision with respect to the possession and acquisition of Land occupied or used for the defence of the realm in connection with the present War, and for other purposes connected therewith: And the same was ordered to be read a second time upon Monday next; and to be printed.

Mr. Secretary Samuel, supported by Mr. Brace, Polloe, &c., presented a Bill to amend the enactments (Miscellaneous Provisions) relating to the Police, and certain other enactments with the administration of which the Secretary of State for the Home Department is concerned: 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 for the adjournment of the House (Whitsuntide) have precedence this day of the Business of Supply. (The Prime Minister.)

A Motion was made, and the Question being adjourned, the House, at its rising this (Whitsuntide) day, do adjourn till Tuesday the 20th day of this instant June.—(The Prime Minister)

A Message was delivered by Captain Thomas Royal Assent Davies 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:

5. Imperial Continental Gas Association Act, 1916.

The Question being again proposed, That this Adjournment House, at its rising this day, do adjourn till (Whitsuntide) Tuesday the 20th day of this instant June;

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

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

Received, That this House will, upon Tuesday the 20th day of this instant June, 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 22nd day of May last;

Ordered, That the Report be received upon Tuesday the 20th day of this instant June.

The Order of the day being read, for receiving Supply the Report from the Committee of Supply of the 30th day of March last;
Ordered, That the Report be received upon Tuesday the 20th day of this instant June.

Ways and Means.

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

Resolved, That this House will, upon Tuesday the 20th day of this instant June, resolve itself into the said Committee.


The Order of the day being read, for receiving the Report from the Committee of Ways and Means of the 20th day of May last;

Ordered, That the Report be received upon Tuesday the 20th day of this instant June.

Finance Bill.

The Order of the day being read, for the Committee on the Finance Bill;

Resolved, That this House will, upon Wednesday the 21st day of this instant June, resolve itself into the said Committee.

Output of Beer (Restriction) Bill.

The Order of the day being read, for the Committee on the Output of Beer (Restriction) Bill;

Resolved, That this House will, upon Wednesday the 21st day of this instant June, resolve itself into the said Committee.


The Order of the day being read, for receiving the Report from the Committee of Supply of the 31st day of May last;

Ordered, That the Report be received upon Tuesday the 20th day of this instant June.

Anglo-Portuguese Commercial Treaty Bill.

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

Ordered, That the Bill be read the third time upon Tuesday the 20th day of this instant June.

Finance (Exchange of Securities.)

The Order of the day being read, for resuming the adjourned Debate on the Question proposed upon the 30th day of May last, That the House doth agree with the Committee in the Resolution reported from the Committee on Finance (Exchange of Securities);

Ordered, That the Debate be further adjourned till Tuesday the 20th day of this instant June.

Consolidation Bills.

Ordered, That so much of the Lords' Message of the 24th day of May last as requests this House to add Three Members to the Joint Committee on Consolidation Bills for the consideration of the Government of India Bill [Lords] be now considered.—(Mr. Galland.)

The House accordingly proceeded to take the said Message into consideration.

Ordered, That the Select Committee appointed by this House to join with a Committee of the Lords do consist of Eight Members for the consideration of the Government of India Bill [Lords]—(Mr. Galland.)

Ordered, That a Message be sent to the Lords to acquaint them therewith: And that the Clerk do carry the said Message.

Ordered, That Mr. Nield and Mr. Ratcliffe be discharged from further attendance on the Committee in respect of the Government of India Bill [Lords], and that Sir John Jardine, Mr. Remmy Macdonald, Sir J. D. Recs, Sir Herbert Roberts, and Colonel Yate be added to the Committee in respect of the said Bill.—(Mr. Galland.)

Whereupon Mr. Deputy Speaker, pursuant to Adjournment, the Order of the House of the 22nd day of February last, proposed the Question, That this House do adjourn.

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

And accordingly the House, having continued to sit till ten minutes before Nine of the clock, adjourned till Tuesday the 20th day of this instant June, pursuant to the Resolution of the House of this day.

Tuesday, 20th June 1916.

PRAYERS.

Mr. Speaker laid upon the Table,—Report Private Bills, from one of the Examiners of Petitions for Private Bills, That in the case of the following Private 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 compiled with, viz.:

Ferndale Gas Bill [Lords].
Horsey Gas Bill [Lords].
Colehester Gas Bill [Lords].
Ordered, That the Bills be read a second time.

Mr. Speaker laid upon the Table,—Report Provisional Orders Local, from one of the Examiners of Petitions for Orders Local, Private Bills, That in the case of the following Private Orders Local, Bills, referred on the First Reading thereof, referred to the Committee of Ways and Means, Standing Orders are applicable, viz.:

Land Drainage (Welland) Provisional Order Bill.
Land Drainage (Lilleshall) Provisional Order Bill.
Ordered, That the Bills be read a second time to-morrow.

The House, according to Order, proceeded to Southsea to take into consideration the Amendments made by the Lords to the South Metropolitan 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 London County Council (Money) Bill, as amended in the Committee.

Ordered, That the Bill be read the third time.

The Aberdare and Aberaman Gas Bill [Lords] was read a second time, and committed.

The Land Drainage (Feltwell) Provisional Order 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.

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 Whitsuntide Recess, were delivered to the Librarian of the House of Commons during the Recess, pursuant to Standing Order No. 95:

- Copy of Report by Dr. A. E. Taylor on the conditions of Diet and Nutrition in the Internment Camp at Ruhleben, received through the United States Ambassador.
- Copy of Correspondence respecting the employment of British and German Prisoners of War in Poland and France, respectively.
- Copy of Report of the Board of Trade on the Trade of Canada.
- Copy of Report of the Board of Trade on the Trade of New Zealand and the Dominion of Canada for the year 1915, by Mr. C. Hamilton Wickes, His Majesty's Trade Commissioner for the Dominion of Canada and Newfoundland.
- Copy of Report of the Board of Trade on the Trade of New Zealand, for the year 1915, by Mr. W. G. Wickham, His Majesty's Trade Commissioner for the Dominion of New Zealand.
- Copy of Summaries of the Evidence taken by a Sub-Committee of the Advisory Committee to the Board of Trade on Commercial Intelligence in the course of their inquiry with respect to measures for securing the position after the War of certain branches of British Industry (in continuation of Parliamentary Paper, [Cd. 8181] of 1916).
- Copy of Report to the Secretary of the Board of Trade upon the working of the Boiler Explosions Acts, 1882 and 1890, during the year ending 30th June 1915, with Appendices (in continuation of Parliamentary Paper, [Cd. 7797] of 1916).
- Copy of Order made under the Shops Act, 1912, 1915, by Mr. C. Hamilton Wickes, His Majesty's Trade Commissioner in the Dominion of Canada.
- Copy of Order made under the Shops Act, 1912, by Mr. W. G. Wickham, His Majesty's Trade Commissioner in the Dominion of New Zealand.
- Copy of Order made under the Shops Act, 1912, by Mr. A. G. Wickham, His Majesty's Trade Commissioner in the Dominion of Newfoundland.
- Copy of Order made under the Shops Act, 1912, by the Council of the undermentioned Local Authorities, and confirmed by the Secretary of State for the Home Department:
  - County of Surrey (Urban District of Merton and Morden).
  - City of Cardiff (Central Ward).
  - Borough of Birkbeck.
  - Boroughs of Darwen and Stratford-on-Avon.
- Copy of Order made under the Shops Act, 1912, by the Council of the undermentioned Local Authority, and confirmed, with amendment, by the Secretary of State for the Home Department:
  - Borough of Lancaster.
- Account of moneys received and paid by the Chamberlain of the City of London for the year 1915; also an Account of extraordinary works executed, other than general repairs, for the same period.

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

Copy of Order in Council under the Crown Office Act, 1877, dated 6th June 1916, provisionally approving an amended Rule as to the publication of Royal Proclamations.
Copy of Order in Council under the Military Service Act, 1916, dated 3rd March 1916, Service Acts, amending the Regulations made by Order of 3rd February 1916 as to Tribunals.
Ordered, That the said Papers do lie upon the Table.

Mr. Montagu presented, pursuant to the directions of several Acts of Parliament,—Copy, No. 89. of Forty-first Annual Report of the Public Works Loan Board, for 1915-16, with Appendices.
Copy of Treasury Warrant, dated 14th June Income Tax, 1916, appointing Mr. Percy Williamson to be a Special Commissioner of Income Tax.
Copy of Treasury Minute, dated 14th June 1916, directing the application of moneys received by the Board of Trade, in the year ended 31st March 1916, in respect of the rights and interests of the Crown in the Foreshores of the United Kingdom.
Copy of Regulation, made 31st May 1916, National Health Insurance (Joint Commissioners) Consolidated Regulations, 1916.
Copy of Regulations, made 31st May 1916, National Health Insurance (Joint Commissioners) Consolidated Regulations, 1916.

Mr. Secretary Samuel also presented, by His Majesty's Command,—Copy of the Fortieth Annual Report of His Majesty's Inspector of Explosives, for the year 1915.
Mr. Secretary Samuel also presented,—Return to an Address to His Majesty, dated the 18th day of April last, for a Return relative to Aliens (Naturalisation). No. 88.
Mr. Secretary Samuel also presented, pursuant to the directions of several Acts of Parliament,—Copy 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 Surrey (Urban District of Merton and Morden).
  - City of Cardiff (Central Ward).
  - Borough of Birkbeck.
  - Boroughs of Darwen and Stratford-on-Avon.
  - Urban District of Tottenham.
  - Borough of Lancaster.
  - Account of moneys received and paid by the Chamberlain of the City of London for the year 1915; also an Account of extraordinary Vol. 171.

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

Mr. Runciman presented, by His Majesty's Economic Command,—Copy of the Recommendations of the Economic Conference of the Allies held at Paris, 14th to 17th June 1916.
Ordered, That the said Paper do lie upon the Table.
20th June.

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

- Irving's Inquisition. (Lords.) (Form of Act, 1887)
- Copy of Form of Inquisition prescribed by the Lord Chancellor under the Coroner's Act, 1887.
- Divorce Bill [Lords.]
- Order of the day being read, for receiving Supply Estimates, 1916-17.

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

(In the Committee.)

Civil Services and Revenue Departments

1. £148,709, for the Salaries and Expenses of the National Health Insurance Joint Committee (including sundry Grants in Aid).
2. £3,167,239, for the Salaries and Expenses of the National Insurance Commission (England), and for sundry Contributions and Grants in respect of the cost of Benefits and Expenses of administration under the National Insurance Acts, 1911 to 1915 (including certain Grants in Aid).
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7. £275,000, for the payment of Grants towards the cost of the extension of Sanatorium benefit to the dependants of insured persons under the National Health Insurance Act, 1911, and of the treatment of Tuberculosis generally.

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 Order of the day being read, for receiving Supply the Report from the Committee of Supply of the 22nd 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 the 30th day of March last:

Ordered, That the Report be received to-morrow.

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 Duma of the Empire, deeply impressed by the news of Lord Kitchener's tragic death, charges me to express to the Members of Parliament feelings of the utmost sincere sympathy and sorrow for the cruel loss which England has sustained through the death of the Great Organizer of the glorious English Army and friend of Russia. President of the Duma, Michael Rodzianko.

Resolution passed by the French Chamber of Deputies on 8th June 1916.

The Chamber of Deputies, interpreting the sentiments of France, associates itself in the mourning of the United Kingdom of Great Britain and Ireland, her noble Ally, and pays a tribute of sorrow and gratitude to the memory of Lord Kitchener, who gave his services to France in 1870, and became the brilliant organizer of the mighty British Army.

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

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The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Police, &c. (Miscellaneous Provisions) Bill;

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

Whereupon Mr. Speaker, pursuant to the Order of the House of the 22nd 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 22nd day of February last, it being then twenty-one minutes before Nine of the clock, till to-morrow.

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Wednesday, 21st June 1916.

PRAYERS.

The Land Drainage (Welland) Provisional Order Bill was, according to Order, read a second time, and committed.

Mr. Arthur Henderson presented, by His Majesty's Command,—Copy of Report of the Board of Education for the year 1914-15.

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

The Order made upon the 28th day of April in the last Session of Parliament, That there be laid before this House a Return of Street and Road Tramway and Light Railways authorised by Act or Order, showing the amount of capital authorised, paid up, and expended; the length of line authorised and the length open for public traffic down to the 31st day of December 1914 in respect of companies, and the 31st day of March 1915 in respect of local authorities; the gross receipts, 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 Tramways and Light Railways; was read and discharged.—(Mr. Pertyman.)

The Order made upon the 28th day of July gas in the last Session of Parliament, 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), was read and discharged.—(Mr. Pertyman.)

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Mr. Speaker acquainted the House that a Message from Message had been brought from the Lords by the Lords, one of their Clerks, as follows:—

The Lords have passed a Bill, intituled An Newcastle-Upon-Tyne and Gateshead Gas Bill [Lords] to extend the limits for the supply of gas of the Newcastle-upon-Tyne and Gateshead Gas Company; to confer further powers upon (Lords.) the Company in connection with their undertaking, and for other purposes; to which the Lords desire the concurrence of this House.

The Newcastle-upon-Tyne and Gateshead Gas Bill [Lords.] was read the first time.

Ordered, That the Bill be referred to the Examiners of Petitions for Private Bills.

Resolved, That this House will, to-morrow, move, in the second reading of the Bill, for the insertion of the following amendment to the Bill:—

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The Newcastle-upon-Tyne and Gateshead Gas 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, resolved itself into a Committee on the Finance Bill.

Clause No. 1 (Increased duties on cocoa).
Amendment proposed, in p. 1, l. 20, at the end, to insert the words—

"Cocoa (not dark-husked or kilndried) 2 s. 2 d."

(Mr. Lough.)

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

Amendments made.

Clause, as amended, agreed to.

Clauses No. 2 to No. 4 agreed to.

Clause No. 5 (Increased Customs duties on sugar).

Question put, That the Clause stand part of the Bill.

The Committee divided.

Tellers for the Yeas, Mr. Gulland: 170.

Tellers for the Noes, Mr. Arnold: 37.

Clause No. 6 to No. 8 agreed to.

Clause No. 9 amended, and agreed to.

Clause No. 10 (Duties on tinder boxes, &c.).

An Amendment made.

Another Amendment proposed, in p. 3, l. 40, after the word "base," to insert the words "other than electric."—(Mr. Lough.)

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

Another Amendment proposed, in p. 3, l. 41, at the end, to insert the words "or thirty-three and one-third per cent. ad valorem, whichever is the smaller."—(Mr. Lough.)

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

An Amendment made.

Clause, as amended, agreed to.

Clause No. 11 (Increased duty on licences for motor cars).

Amendment proposed, in p. 4, l. 11, after the word "shall," to insert the words "save as regards motor cars used by clergymen of all denominations in the ordinary discharge of their duties."—(Mr. Jowson-Hicks.)

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

Clause disagreed to.

Clauses No. 12 to No. 14 agreed to.

Clause No. 15 (Income tax for 1916–17).

Amendment proposed, in p. 6, l. 5, to leave out the word "five," in order to insert the word "four."—(Mr. Fell.)

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

Clause agreed to.

Clause No. 16 agreed to.

Clause No. 17 (Graduation of tax on unearned income in case of incomes not exceeding £2,000). Amendment proposed, in p. 7, l. 25, to leave out from the beginning to the end of l. 32, in order to insert the words—

"3s. 6d. if the total income does not exceed five hundred pounds;

4s. if the total income exceeds one thousand pounds and does not exceed one thousand five hundred pounds;

4s. 6d. if the total income exceeds one thousand five hundred pounds and does not exceed two thousand pounds."

(Mr. Montagu.)

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 beginning, to insert the words "2s. 6d. if the total income does not exceed three hundred pounds."—(Mr. Jonathan Samuel.)

Question, That those words be there inserted in the proposed Amendment, put, and negatived.

Proposed words there inserted.

Another Amendment proposed, after the words last inserted, to insert as a new subsection the words—

"(3) The relief given under subsection (1) of this section shall extend to the income of any corporation or municipal council, so far as such income is not derived from rates."

(Mr. Dalrymple.)

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

Clause, as amended, agreed to.

Clause No. 18 agreed to.

Clause No. 19 (Relief when income of year is less than assessed income).

Amendment proposed, in p. 8, l. 36, to leave out the word "individual," in order to insert the word "person."—(Mr. Pennefather.)

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

Clause agreed to.

Clause No. 20 (Right of soldiers and sailors in respect of their pay).

Amendment proposed, in p. 9, l. 6, to leave out the word "who."—(Mr. Peto.)

Question, That the word "who" stand part of the Clause, put, and agreed to.

Another Amendment proposed, in p. 9, l. 9, after the word "war," to insert the words "or is a prisoner of war."—(Mr. John Henderson.)

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

Another Amendment proposed, in p. 9, l. 9, to leave out the words "for which payment is made out of money provided by Parliament."—(Mr. Peto.)

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

An Amendment made.

Clause, as amended, agreed to.

Clauses No. 21 to No. 26 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, to-morrow, again resolve itself into the said Committee.

Output of Beer (Restriction) Bill.

The Order of the day being read, for the Committee on the Output of Beer (Restriction) 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 of Supply of the 20th day of this instant June;

Ordered, That the Report be received 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.


The Order of the day being read, for receiving the Report from the Committee of Supply of the 22nd 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 30th 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 31st day of May last;

Ordered, That the Report be received 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.


The Order of the day being read, for receiving the Report from the Committee of Ways and Means of the 29th day of May last;

Ordered, That the Report be received to-morrow.

Finance (Exchange of Securities) Report.

The Order of the day being read, for resuming the adjourned Debate on the Question proposed upon the 30th day of May last, That this House doth agree with the Committee in the Resolution reported from the Committee on Finance (Exchange of Securities);

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

Anglo-Portuguese Commercial Treaty Bill.

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

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

Gas (Standard of Calorific Power) Bill.

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

The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Police, &c. (Miscellaneous Provisions) Bill;

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

Whereupon Mr. Deputy Speaker, pursuant to the Order of the House of the 22nd 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.

Thursday, 22nd June 1916.

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 agreed to, the Report be received:

Van Diemen's Land Company Bill [Lords].

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time.

The Van Diemen's Land Company 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.

Mr. Montagu presented, pursuant to the directions of an Act of Parliament, —Copy of Health Insurance Commissioners, entitled the National Health Insurance (Deposit Contributors’ Administration Expenses) Regulations (Ireland) [Provisions], 1916.

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

Mr. Acland presented, pursuant to the directions of an Act of Parliament, —Copy of Orders for the Diseases of Animals Acts, under the Diseases of Animals Acts, dated 30th May 1916, postponing the operation of the two Orders described in the Schedule thereto until the 15th June 1916; and 9760, dated 14th June 1916, further postponing the operation of the two Orders in question until the 29th June 1916.

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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 follows:—

The Lords communicate the Minutes of Evidence taken before this House, together with the proceedings and documents deposited, in the case of Irvine's Divorce Bill [Lords], as desired by this House, and request that the same may be returned.

Irvine's Divorce Bill [Lords.]

The Lord Advocate reported from the Select Committee on Divorce Bills; That it was essential that they should hear the evidence of Dr. Robert James Harvey, of 9, Upper Mount Street, Dublin; 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 Robert James Harvey do attend the said Committee on Thursday next, at Four of the clock.

Ordered, That Dr. Robert James Harvey do attend the Select Committee on Divorce Bills on Thursday next, at Four of the clock.

Business of the House (Supply.)

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

Memorial to Field-Marshal Earl Kitchener.

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

(In the Committee.)

Resolved, That an humble Address be presented to His Majesty, praying that His Majesty would give directions that a monument be erected at the public charge to the memory of the late Field Marshal Earl Kitchener, 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 Prime Minister.)

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.


Mr. Rea reported from the Committee of Ways and Means of the 29th day of May last a Resolution; which was read, as follows:

Additional Income Tax on Income from certain Securities.

That there shall be charged for the year beginning the sixth day of April, nineteen hundred and sixteen, and for any subsequent year for which income tax is charged, on the income derived from any stocks, shares, or other securities which the Treasury have declared that they are willing to purchase in connection with any arrangements for the regulation and maintenance of the Foreign Exchanges, an additional duty of income tax at the rate of two shillings in the pound; and that no person shall be entitled to any exemption, abatement, or relief under the Income Tax Acts in respect of such additional income tax.

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.

The said Resolution being read a second time;

The Resolution was amended, in l, 2, by leaving out from the word "sixteen" to the word "on," in l, 3.—(Sir Frederick Banbury.)

Another Amendment was proposed to be made to the said Resolution, in l, 3, by inserting, after the word "any," the word "American."—(Sir Frederick Banbury.)

And the Question being proposed, That the word "American" be there inserted in the said Resolution;—(Sir Frederick Banbury.)

And it appearing from the Debate that the Mr. Speaker proposed Amendment would increase the charge, rules Amendment Mr. Speaker ruled the Amendment to be out of order.

And the Question being put, That this House doth agree with the Committee in the said Resolution, as amended;—It was resolved in the Affirmative.

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 Resolution.

The Order of the day being read, for resuming the adjourned Debate on the Question proposed upon the 30th day of May last, That this House doth agree with the Committee in the Resolution, That it is expedient to authorise the Treasury to provide, during the continuance of the present war and six months thereafter, for the issue of new securities for the purpose of the exchange of securities issued under any War Loan Act passed during the continuance of the war, and for the cancellation of the securities received in exchange, in pursuance of any Act of the present Session dealing with Finance;—And the Question being again proposed:—The House resolved the said adjourned Debate. And the Question being put;—It was resolved in the Affirmative.

The House, according to Order, resolved itself into a Committee on the Finance Bill that they have power to make provision therein pursuant to the said Resolution.

1. Resolved, That the following duties of Customs, imposed by Part I. of the Finance (No. 2) Act, 1915, until the first day of August, nineteen hundred and sixteen, shall continue to be charged until the first day of August, nineteen hundred and seventeen (that is to say):—

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—(Mr. Chancellor of the Exchequer.)
Excise Duties.

2. Resolved, That the following duties of Excise, imposed by Part I. of the Finance (No. 2) Act, 1915, until the first day of August, nineteen hundred and sixteen, shall continue to be charged until the first day of August, nineteen hundred and seventeen (that is to say):—

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—(Mr. Chancellor of the Exchequer.)

Motor Spirit Licence Duty.

3. Resolved, That there shall be charged on a licence to be taken out by any person who desires to be supplied with motor spirit a duty at the rate of six pence for every gallon with which he is authorised to be supplied by the licence.—(Mr. Chancellor of the Exchequer.)

Excess Profits Duty (Sale of Ships).

4. Resolved, That it is expedient, in calculating excess profits duty in cases where a ship has been sold since the fourth day of August, nineteen hundred and fourteen, to take the pre-war standard of profits to be—

(1) where the standard adopted is a profits standard, the profits arising from the use of the ship during the pre-war trade years; and

(2) where the standard adopted is a percentage standard, the same standard as if the ship had not been sold, or, in the case of a ship which was used for the first time after the fourth day of August, nineteen hundred and fourteen, the capital represented by the ship at the date when it was first used; and to make further provisions as a consequence of the alteration of the standard.—(Mr. Chancellor of the Exchequer.)

Insurance Premiums.

(1) Restriction of Relief.

5. Resolved, That the relief given under section fifty-four of the Income Tax Act, 1853, as amended by any subsequent enactment, shall not, as respects insurances or contracts for deferred annuities made after the twenty-second day of June, nineteen hundred and sixteen, be given, except in respect of premiums or payments for—

(1) an insurance limited to the payment of a capital sum on death; or

(2) an insurance limited to the payment of a capital sum on death and the payment of a sum on reaching a certain age, so long as—

(a) the age is not less than sixty years; and

(b) there is an interval of at least twenty years between the date of the contract of insurance and the date on which the sum becomes payable; and

(c) the sum payable on attaining the required age is not greater than the sum payable on death;

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(3) contracts for deferred annuities where—

(a) the contract is limited to the payment of an annuity commencing at an age not less than sixty years; and

(b) there is an interval of at least twenty years between the date of the contract and the date on which the annuity commences;

and that 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. Chancellor of the Exchequer.)

(2) Tax on Surrenders, &c.

6. Resolved, That where relief has been given under section fifty-four of the Income Tax Act, 1853, as amended by any subsequent enactment, in respect of premiums or other sums payable on insurances or contracts for deferred annuities, and the policy of insurance or the contract for a deferred annuity is surrendered or alienated, there shall be paid, as a debt due to His Majesty, a sum equal to that which would be payable if income tax (including super tax) were charged on the amount received in respect of the surrender or alienation of the policy or contract at the rates at which the relief was last given in respect of the premiums or other sums payable.—(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 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 Finance Bill into a Committee on the Finance Bill.

(In the Committee.)

Clause No. 28 (Relief in respect of colonial income tax).

Amendment proposed, in p. 12, l. 17, after the word "person," to insert the words "or body corporate."—(Sir John Rees.)

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

Another Amendment proposed, in p. 12, l. 19, to leave out from the word "income" to the end of l. 26, in order to insert the words "proves to the satisfaction of the Special Commissioners that he has also paid any income tax levied in any of His Majesty's dominions, colonies, or dependencies, colonial income tax, not being an income tax imposed locally for local purposes, in respect of the same part of his income, he shall be entitled to repayment of a part of the United Kingdom income tax paid by him equal to the amount of the colonial income tax paid by him, or the whole of the United Kingdom income tax when the colonial income tax rate is not less than the rate for the time being in force in the United Kingdom."—(Mr. Annan Bryce.)

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

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The Committee divided.

Tellers for: Mr. Geoffrey Howard, 128.

Tellers for: Mr. James Hope.

Noes, Mr. Stewart:

Clause agreed to.

Clause No. 29 (Continuance and increase of rate of excess profits duty).

Amendment proposed, in p. 12, l. 39, after the word "apply," to insert the words "except as to controlled establishments under the Munitions of War Act, 1915, during the period they are under such control."—(Mr. Samuel Roberts.)

Question proposed, That those words be there inserted:

Whereupon Motion made, and Question, That the Chairman do report Progress, and ask leave to sit again.—(Sir Henry Dalziel)—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 Monday next, again resolve itself into the said Committee.

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

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

The Order of the day being read, for the
Second Reading of the Gas (Standard of Calorific Power) 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 Defence of the Realm (Acquisition of Land) Bill,

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

The Order of the day being read, for the
Second Reading of the Police, &c. (Miscellaneous Provisions) Bill;

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

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

Resolved, That this House will, 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 20th day of this instant June;

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 22nd day of May 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 30th day of March 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 31st day of May last:

Ordered, That the Report be received upon Monday next.

And it being half an hour after Eleven of Adjournment, the clock, Mr. Deputy Speaker adjourned the House without Question put, pursuant to the Standing Order, till Monday next, pursuant to the Order of the House of the 22nd day of February last.

Monday, 26th June 1916.

PRAYERS.

Mr. Speaker laid upon the Table,—Report of the Commissioners of Customs, &c., from one of the Examiners of Petitions for Private Bills, That in the case of the Petition (standing for the following Bill, originating in the Lords, the Standing Orders have not been complied with, viz.:—

Conway and Colwyn Bay Joint Water Supply [Lords].

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

The Order made upon Thursday the 2nd day of March last, That the Beighton and District Gas Bill be committed, was read and discharged.

Ordered, That the Bill be withdrawn.

Secretary Sir Edward Grey presented, by His Majesty's Command,—Copy of Note from the United States Government regarding the examination of Parcels and Letter Mails.

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

Mr. Secretary Chamberlain presented, pursuant to the directions of an Act of Parliament, (Civil service) —Copy of Provisional Rule, dated 17th June 1916, made by the Secretary of State for India in Council under the Government of India Act, 1915.

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

Mr. Runciman presented, pursuant to the Electric directions of an Act of Parliament, (Civil service) —Copy of Lighting Report by the Board of Trade respecting the applications to, and proceedings of, the Board (Proceedings.) of Traite under the Electric Lighting Acts, No. 91. 1882 to 1909, during the past year.

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

Mr. Secretary Samuel presented, by His Majesty's Command,—Copy of Annual Report Works, of the Chief Inspector of Factories and Workshops for the year 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 1916.

Mr. Secretary Samuel also presented, pursuant to the directions of several Acts of Parliament, (Irish.) —Copy of Rule determining the number of Superintendents to be appointed, 1916.

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 Kitchener, 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.

Mr. Rea reported from the Committee on Memorial to Field-Marshal Earl Kitchener a Resolution; which was read, as followeth:

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Mr. Rea reported from the Committee of Ways and Means the 22nd day of this instant June several Resolutions; which were read, as follows:

Continuance of Duties.

1. That the following duties of Customs, imposed by Part I. of the Finance (No. 2) Act, 1915, until the first day of August, nineteen hundred and sixteen, shall continue to be charged until the first day of August, nineteen hundred and seventeen (that is to say):—

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2. That the following duties of Excise, imposed by Part I. of the Finance (No. 2) Act, 1915, until the first day of August, nineteen hundred and sixteen, shall continue to be charged until the first day of August, nineteen hundred and seventeen (that is to say):—

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Motor Spirit Licence Duty.

3. That there shall be charged on a licence to Motor Spirit be taken out by any person who desires to be supplied with motor spirit a duty at the rate of six pence for every gallon with which he is authorised to be supplied by the licence.

Excess Profits Duty (Sale of Ships).

4. That it is expedient, in calculating excess Profits duty in cases where a ship has been sold since the fourth day of August, nineteen hundred and fourteen, to take the pre-war standard of profits to be—

| (1) where the standard adopted is a profits standard, the profits arising from the use of the ship during the pre-war trade years; and |
| (2) where the standard adopted is a percentage standard, the same standard as if the ship had not been sold, or, in the case of a ship which was used for the first time after the fourth day of August, nineteen hundred and fourteen, the capital represented by the ship at the date when it was first used; and to make further provisions as a consequence of the alteration of the standard. |
Insurance Premiums.

(1) Restriction of Relief.

5. That the relief given under section fifty-four of the Income Tax Act, 1853, as amended by any subsequent enactment, shall not, as respects insurance or contracts for deferred annuities made after the twenty-second day of June, nineteen hundred and sixteen, be given, except in respect of premiums or payments for—

(1) an insurance limited to the payment of a capital sum on death; or
(2) an insurance limited to the payment of a capital sum on death and the payment of a sum on reaching a certain age, so long as—
(a) the age is not less than sixty years; and
(b) there is an interval of at least twenty years between the date of the contract of insurance and the date on which the sum becomes payable; and
(c) the sum payable on attaining the required age is not greater than the sum payable on death;
(3) contracts for deferred annuities, where—
(a) the contract is limited to the payment of an annuity commencing at an age not less than sixty years; and
(b) there is an interval of at least twenty years between the date of the contract and the date on which the annuity commences;
and that 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.

(2) Tax on Surrenders, c.&c.

6. That relief has been given under section fifty-four of the Income Tax Act, 1853, as amended by any subsequent enactment, in respect of premiums or other sums payable on insurance or contracts for deferred annuities and the policy of insurance or the contract for a deferred annuity is surrendered or alienated, there shall be paid, as a debt due to His Majesty, a sum equal to that which would be payable if income tax (including super tax) were charged on the amount received in respect of the surrender or alienation of the policy or contract at the rates at which the relief was last given in respect of the premiums or other sums payable.

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

The Third Resolution being read a second time;

An Amendment was proposed to be made to the Resolution, in l. 3, by leaving out the words "authorised to be," and inserting the word "actually"—(Mr. Lough)—instead thereof.

And the Question being proposed, That the words proposed to be left out stand part of the said Resolution:—The said proposed Amendment was, with leave of the House, withdrawn.

And the Resolution was agreed to.

Then the remaining 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 Finance into a Committee on the Finance Bill.

(In the Committee.)

Clause No. 29 (Continuance and increase of rate of excess profits duty, 5 & 6 Geo. 5, c. 89).

Amendment proposed, in p. 12, l. 39, after the word "apply," to insert the words "except as to controlled establishments under the Munitions of War Act, 1915, during the period they are under such control."—(Mr. Samuel Roberts.)

Question again proposed, That those words be there inserted:

Question put.
The Committee divided.

Tellers for the Yeas,
Mr. Samuel Roberts, 72.
Sir John Tudor, 158.
Walters:
Mr. Geoffroy Howard, 158.
Mr. Bridgeman:
Noes:
Mr. Samuel Roberts, 72.
Sir John Tudor, 158.
Walters:
Mr. Geoffroy Howard, 158.
Mr. Bridgeman:
Another Amendment proposed, in p. 12, l. 39, to leave out the words "until Parliament otherwise determines, to any," in order to insert the words "to the."—(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. 13, l. 5, to leave out the words "in any accounting period beginning," in order to insert the words "on or."—(Mr. Pennefather.)

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

Another Amendment proposed, in p. 13, l. 20, to leave out the words "in any accounting period beginning," in order to insert the words "fifteen, the rate of duty shall be fifty per cent. of the excess in respect of the first accounting period, and at the rate of sixty per cent. for any subsequent accounting period."—(Mr. John Henderson.)

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

Another Amendment proposed, in p. 13, l. 24, to leave out from the beginning to the end of l. 35.—(Sir John Harwood-Basset.)

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

Another Amendment proposed, in p. 13, l. 33, at the end, to insert the words "This subsection shall not apply to any trade or business which is subject to munitions Exchequer payments."—(Sir William Pearse.)

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

Clause agreed to.

Clause No. 30 (Increase of rate of excess mineral rights duty).

Amendment proposed, in p. 14, l. 16, at the end, to insert the words—

(2) Section forty-three of the principal Act shall have effect as if it provided as follows:
(a) Excess mineral rights duty shall not be payable by any person unless the rent payable to him in the accounting year exceeds the actual pre-war standard of that rent;
(b) The actual pre-war standard of rent shall, for the purpose of this section, be taken to be the average of any two of the three last
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pre-war rents to be selected by the taxpayer;

(c) The pre-war rents shall, as respects each of the three years immediately preceding the first accounting year, be taken to be the sum actually payable in respect of rent for the year in question;

(d) The amount of excess mineral rights duty payable by any person shall, where necessary, be reduced so as not to exceed the difference between the rent for the year of accounting and the actual pre-war standard of rent.” — (Mr. Currie.)

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

Clause agreed to.

Clause No. 31 amended, and agreed to.

Clause No. 32 (Adjustment of excess profits duty and munitions Exchequer payments in case of controlled establishments), Amendment proposed, in p. 16, l. 1, at the beginning, to insert the words—

“(1) Notwithstanding any Act of Parliament to the contrary, the entire responsibility and final decision in all matters relating both to excess profits duty and munitions Exchequer payments shall rest with the Treasury and not with the Minister of Munitions; and there shall be no dual assessment in respect of such excess profits duty and munitions Exchequer payments.” — (Mr. Evelyn Cecil.)

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

Another Amendment proposed, in p. 16, l. 1, to leave out the word “may,” in order to insert the word “shall.”—(Mr. Jowson-Hicks.)

Question proposed, That the word “may” stand part of the Clause:—Amendment, by leave, withdrawn.

Another Amendment proposed, in p. 16, l. 21, at the end, to insert the words—“If any taxpayer is dissatisfied with the decision of the Commissioners on any matter arising under this subsection, he may require the Commissioners to refer the case to a Board of Referees to be appointed for the purposes of this Part of this Act by the Treasury, and that Board shall consider any case so referred and have the same powers with respect thereto as the Commissioners have.” — (Sir John Harmood-Banner.)

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

Another Amendment proposed, in p. 16, l. 21, at the end, to insert the words—

“(2) Notwithstanding anything in the principal Act, any allowances agreed to between the owners of a controlled establishment and the Minister of Munitions, or awarded by a referee appointed by him, on account of—

(a) Exceptional wear and tear of plant, buildings, and machinery;

(b) Capital expenditure specially incurred for the purposes of munitions work;

(c) The probable value to the controlled owner at the end of the period of control of any plant, buildings, or machinery erected or installed, or other expenditure incurred for munitions work, as the fourth day of August, nineteen hundred and fourteen;

(d) Special provisions or terms of any contracts entered into between the Government and the controlled owner; Vol. 171.

(e) Any exceptional services rendered by the controlled owner in connection with the controlled establishment;

(f) Any increase in salaries or other emoluments of any persons engaged in the management or direction of the controlled establishment made since the end of the standard period, or any steps taken since the end of that period which might operate to decrease net profits;

(g) Any other matter which may appear to the Minister, or to the referee, as the case may be, material to be taken into account; in order to determine the net profits on which munition Exchequer payments are payable, shall, on the application of such owners, be also allowed by the Commissioners of Inland Revenue in order to determine the net profits on which excess profits duty is payable, due adjustment being made in respect of any difference in the respective accounting periods.” — (Sir John Harmood-Banner.)

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

Clause agreed to.

Clauses No. 33 and No. 34 agreed to.

Clause No. 35 (Provision as to accumulating profits), Amendment proposed, in p. 17, l. 93, to leave out the word “not.”—(Mr. Grettan.)

Question proposed, That the word “not” stand part of the Clause:—Amendment, by leave, withdrawn.

Clause agreed to.

Clauses No. 36 to No. 42 agreed to.

Clause No. 43 (Transfer of stock on authority of order of a court).

An Amendment made.

Another Amendment proposed, in p. 19, l. 10, after the word “stock,” to insert the words “Colonial Government stock, India stock, or other investment or property.” — (Mr. Currie.)

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

Other Amendments made.

Clause, as amended, agreed to.

Clauses No. 44 and No. 45 agreed to.

A Clause (Extension of relief in respect of children)—(Mr. Montagu)—brought up, and read the first and second time, and added to the Bill.

Another Clause (Provisions as to motor cars and as to hackney carriages)—(Mr. Montagu)—brought up, and read the first and second time, and added to the Bill.

Another Clause (Extension of relief in respect of motor car licence duty)—(Mr. Montagu)—brought up, and read the first and second time, and added to the Bill.

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Amendment proposed to the proposed Clause, in l. 6, to leave out subsection (2).—(Sir Frederick Banbury.)

Question proposed, That the words proposed to be left out, to the word “exclusively,” in l. 9, stand part of the proposed Clause:—Amendment, by leave, withdrawn.

Clause added to the Bill.

Another Clause (Provisions as to Government securities issued free of tax)—(Mr. Montagu)—brought up, and read the first and second time, and added to the Bill.

Another Clause (Deposit of sums for payment of excess profits duty)—(Mr. Montagu)—brought up, and read the first and second time, and added to the Bill.
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Another Clause (Power to transfer Exchequer bonds in satisfaction of death duties)—(Mr. Montagu)—brought up, and read the first and second time, and added to the Bill.

Another Clause (Payment of interest on Exchequer bonds in certain cases without deduction of income tax)—(Mr. Montagu)—brought up, and read the first and second time, and added to the Bill.

Another Clause (Extension of section two of the Government War Obligations Act, 1915)—(Mr. Montagu)—brought up, and read the first and second time, and added to the Bill.

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 Output of Beer (Restriction) Bill;—

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

The Order of the day being read, for the Committee 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 Third Reading of the Anglo-Portuguese Commercial Treaty 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 Gas (Standard of Calorific Power) 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 (Acquisition of Land) Bill;—

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

The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Police, &c. (Miscellaneous Provisions) Bill;—

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

The Order of the day being read, for receiving the Report from the Committee of Supply of the 20th 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 22nd 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 30th day of March 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 31st day of May last;—

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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-nine minutes after Eleven of the clock, adjourned till to-morrow.

Tuesday, 27th June 1916.

PRAYERS.

Mr. Speaker laid upon the Table,—Report Private Bills from one of the Examiners of Petitions for [Lords] Private Bills, That in the case of the following Bills, originating in the Lords, and referred on previously not previously inquired into, which are applicable thereto, have been complied with, viz:—

Newcastle-upon-Tyne and Gateshead Gas Bill [Lords].

Yeadon Water Bill [Lords].

Ordered, That the Bills be read a second time.

Mr. Speaker laid upon the Table,—Report Private Bill from one of the Examiners of Petitions for Petitions [Lords] Private Bills, That in the case of the Petition he has certified that no Standing Orders are applicable, viz:—

Rhodes Estate [Lords].

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

Shropshire, Worcestershire, and Stafford-shire Electric Power [Lords].

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

The London County Council (Money) Bill London County Council (Money) 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 Canada Company Bill [Lords], as amended in the Committee.

And Amendments were made to the Bill.

Ordered, That the Bill be read the third time.

Colchester Gas Bill [Lords] was read a second time, and committed.

Ferndale Gas Bill [Lords] was read a second time, and committed.

Hornsey Gas Bill [Lords] was read a second time, and committed.

Mr. Secretary Samuel presented, by His Majesty's Command,—Copy of Report of the Royal Commission on the Rebellion in Ireland.

Mr. Secretary Samuel also presented, pursuant to the directions of an Act of Parliament,—Copy of Order made under the Shops Act, 1912, by the Council of the aforementioned Local Authority, and confirmed by the Secretary of State for the Home Department:

County of Surrey (Parish of Merton).

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

The Lord Advocate presented, by His Majesty's Command,—Copy of Report of the Committee of Council on Education in Scotland in 1915-16.

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

Mr. Moutney presented, pursuant to the directions of an Act of Parliament,—Copy of List of all Pensions granted during the year ended 31st March 1916, 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.

The Order made upon the 26th day of this instant June, that the Paper relative to the Electric Lighting Acts, 1882 to 1909 (Proceedings), be printed, was read and discharged.

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

(In the Committee.)

Another Clause (Motor spirit licence duty)—(Mr. Chancellor of the Exchequer)—brought up, and read the first and second time.

Amendment proposed to proposed Clause, in l. 21, at the end, to insert the words “and—

(c) Ministers of religion, farmers residing at a distance from a station, and other persons who, under special circumstances to be defined by regulations, require motor spirit for a motor car or motor cycle used for purposes defined by such regulations to be such as to bring them within this subsection, may be authorised by such regulations to claim, and may be allowed, relief from a portion (not exceeding one-half) of the amount of duty payable under this section in respect of such amount of the motor spirit as shall be specified in the licence to be allocated to that particular purpose.”

—(Sir William Beale.)

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PRAYERS.

ORDERED, That the South Eastern and London, Chatham, and Dover Railways Bill [Lords] be read a second time to-morrow.

ORDERED, That the Land Drainage (Welland) Provisional Order Bill be read to-morrow.

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

The Order made upon the 21st day of this instant June, That the Land Drainage (Welland) Provisional Order Bill be committed, was read and discharged.

ORDERED, That the Bill be withdrawn.—(The Chairman of Ways and Means.)

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

Mr. Arthur Henderson presented, by His Majesty’s Command,—Copy of Report for the year 1915 on the Victoria and Albert Museum and the Belasis Green Museum.

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

Mr. Montagu presented, pursuant to the directions of an Act of Parliament,—Copy of Report from the Committee of Supply of the 20th day of this instant June, That the Land Drainage (Welland) Provisional Order Bill be read to-morrow.

Mr. Secretary Chamberlain presented, pursuant to the directions of an Act of Parliament,—Copy of Provisional Order Bill.

Mr. Montagu presented, pursuant to the directions of an Act of Parliament,—Copy of Report from the Committee of Supply of the 22nd day of May last; 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 Report from the Committee of Supply of the 20th day of this instant June; Ordered, That the Land Drainage (Welland) Provisional Order Bill be committed, was read and discharged.

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

Mr. Montagu presented, pursuant to the directions of an Act of Parliament,—Copy of Report from the Committee of Supply of the 22nd day of May last; Ordered, That the said Paper do lie upon the Table.


Copy of Order under the Destructive Insects Ordinance to the effect that the Paper relative to Woods, Forests, and Land Revenues be printed.

The Lord Advocate presented, by His Majesty’s Command,—Copy of Annual Report of the Prison Commissioners for Scotland for the year 1915.

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

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

(In the Committee.)
Amendment proposed to the proposed Clause, in l, 5, after the word "applies," to insert the words "and to whom the official notice has been sent."—(Mr. Longh.)

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

Another Amendment proposed to the proposed Clause, in l 19, after the word "thereafter," to insert the words "but not earlier than the twenty-ninth day of July, nineteen hundred and sixteen."—(Sir Frederick Bowbury.)

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

Another Amendment proposed to the proposed Clause, in l 23, to leave out the words "placed at the absolute disposal of," in order to insert the words "offered on sale or deposit to."—(Mr. Longh.)

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

Another Amendment proposed to the proposed Clause, in l 33, after the word "securities," to insert, the words "or from other circumstances which, in the opinion of the Treasury, justify them in allowing relief from the additional duty."—(Mr. Dickinson.)

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

Another Amendment proposed to the proposed Clause, in l 54, at the end, to add the words—

"(h) In respect of income derived from any such securities which are deposited with trustees in any country outside the United Kingdom, under the provisions of any deed made in accordance with the laws of such country, in any case where some of the beneficiaries are not affected by this Act, or where the trustees or beneficiaries have no power of disposal, or where the laws of such country prohibit the sale or pledging of such securities."—(Mr. Annan Bryce.)

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

Proposed Clause added to the Bill.

Other Clauses (Limitation of relief from income tax in respect of insurance premiums)—(Mr. Chancellor of the Exchequer); and (Amendment of section forty (3) of the principal Act)—Mr. Chancellor of the Exchequer—brought up, and read the first and second time, and added to the Bill.

Another Clause (Assessment of income for super tax)—(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 (Allowance and repayment of duty in respect of motor spirit used by ministers of religion)—(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 (Amendment of section five, subsection (3), of the Finance (No. 2) Act, 1915)—(Mr. Lewis Haslam)—brought up, and read the first time.

Motion made, and Question, That the Clause be read a second time, put, and negatived.

Another Clause (Amendment of section thirty-eight of the Finance (No. 2) Act, 1915)—(Mr. Dennis)—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 (Provision as to fixing pre-war standard of profits)—(Mr. John Henderson)—brought up, and read the first time.

Motion made, and Question, That the Clause be read a second time, put, and negatived.

Another Clause (Amendment of section thirty-three (2) of the Finance (No. 2) Act, 1915)—(Mr. Younger)—brought up, and read the first time.

Motion made, and Question, That the Clause be read a second time, put, and negatived.

Another Clause (Amendment of section thirty-three of the Finance (No. 2) Act, 1915)—(Mr. Dennis)—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 (Allowances in case of new trades)—(Mr. Needham)—brought up, and read the first time.

Motion made, and Question, That the Clause be read a second time, put, and negatived.

Another Clause (Exemption from entertainments duty)—(Mr. Lough)—brought up, and read the first time.

Motion made, and Question, That the Clause be read a second time, put, and negatived.

Another Clause (Amendment of section forty-six, subsection (3), of the Finance (No. 2) Act, 1915)—(Sir Frederick Cawley)—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 (Income tax on unearned incomes)—(Mr. David Mason)—brought up, and read the first time.

Motion made, and Question, That the Clause be read a second time, put, and negatived.

Another Clause (Amendment of section forty-six, subsection (3), of the Finance (No. 2) Act, 1915)—(Mr. James Mason)—brought up, and read the first time.

Motion made, and Question, That the Clause be read a second time, put, and negatived.

Another Clause (Collection of motor tax)—(Mr. Coote)—brought up, and read the first time.

Motion made, and Question, That the Clause be read a second time, put, and negatived.
Thursday, 29th June 1916.

P R A Y E R S.

The Vice-Chamberlain of His Majesty's Household reported to the House, That Field-Marshal Earl Kitchener, had been presented to His Majesty; and that His Majesty had been pleased to receive the same very graciously, and to give the following Answer:

I have received your Address praying that I will give directions that a monument be erected at the public expense to the memory of the late Field-Marshal Earl Kitchener, 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 for carrying into effect your proposal to do honour to the memory of a most distinguished servant of the State, who has achieved so much for his country in this great crisis of its history.

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Another Clause (Amendment of 5 & 6 Geo. 5, c. 89, Fourth Schedule)—(Sir John Harmswood-Banner)—brought up, and read the first time.

Motion made, and Question, That the Clause be read a second time, put, and negatived.

Another Clause (Exemption from excess profits duty of businesses carried on under the court)—(Mr. John Henderson)—brought up, and read the first and second time, and added to the Bill.

Another Clause (Exemption from taxation from the acquirement of land in the Realm)—(Mr. Glyn-Jones)—brought up, and read the first time.

Motion made, and Question, That the Clause be read a second time, put, and negatived.

Another Clause (Exemption from taxation from the acquirement of land in the Realm)—(Mr. Penefather)—brought up, and read the first and second time, and added to the Bill.

Schedule 1 agreed to.

Schedule 2 disagreed to.

Schedule 3 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 upon Monday next; and be printed.

The Order of the day being read, for the Committee on the Output of Beer (Restriction) 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 Police, &c. (Miscellaneous Provisions) 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 Royal Marines 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 Gas (Standard of Calorific Power) 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 (Acquisition of Land) Bill;

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

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

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

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

Ordered, That the Bill be read the third time to-morrow.
Ordered. That the Bill be read a second time upon Monday next, at a quarter of an hour after Eight of the clock.

Mr. Montagu presented, by His Majesty's Command,—Copy of Report of the Advisory Committee on proposals for the State purchase of the Licensed Liquor Trade.

Post Office Savings Banks. No. 96. Account of all Deposits received and paid during the year 1915, together with a Statement showing the aggregate amount of the Liabilities of the Government to Depositors in the Post Office Savings Banks on the 31st December 1915, and the nature and amount of the Securities held by the Commissioners for the Reduction of the National Debt to meet those Liabilities at that date.


Ordered, That the said Paper do lie upon the Table; and that the Papers relative to Post Office Savings Banks and the Isle of Man be printed.

Colonial Reports (Annual). Mr. Secretary Bonar Law presented, by His Majesty's Command,—Copy of Colonial Report, No. 885 (Weihaiwei, Report for 1915).

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

Ordered, That there be laid before this House a Return of Revenues drawn from the Crown Rights in the Channel Islands in each year during the years 1909-10 to 1915-16, distinguishing for each island, separately, the amounts received from tithes, from fines on transfer of property, from seigneurial dues, and from other sources; and stating the cost of collection, the several payments made for local purposes, and the net amounts paid into the Exchequer (in continuation of Parliamentary Paper, No. 153 of Session 1910).—(Mr. Armau Brer.)

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 Committee on the Local Government Provisional Orders (No. 3) Bill; That they had considered the Orders 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 be read the third time upon Monday next.

The Lord Advocate reported from the Select Irvine's Committee on Divorce Bills; That they had 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 mens et thro 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 Irvine's Divorce Bill [Lords], together with the documents deposited in the case, be returned to the House of Lords.—(The Lord Advocate.)

Mr. Prsyman, supported by Mr. Harcourt National and Dr. Addison, presented a Bill to extend the Insurance provision of the National Insurance Act, 1911 (Part LI), relating to unemployment insurance to certain Workers. Bill 59.
trades and employments in connection with the present War: And the same was ordered to be read a second time upon Monday next; and to be printed.

Message from the Lords.

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

Electric Lighting Provisional Order Bill.

The Lords have agreed to the Electric Lighting Provisional Order Bill, without any Amendment.

Local Government (Ireland) Provisional Order (No. 1) Bill.

The Lords have agreed to the Local Government (Ireland) Provisional Order (No. 1) Bill, without any Amendment.

Metropolitan Electric Tramways Bill.

The Lords have agreed to the Metropolitan Electric Tramways Bill, with an Amendment; to which the Lords desire the concurrence of this House.

The Lords have agreed to the Uxbridge Gas Bill, with Amendments; to which the Lords desire the concurrence of this House.

The Lords have agreed to the Plymouth and Stonehouse Gas Bill, with Amendments; to which the Lords desire the concurrence of this House.

The Lords have agreed to the Folkestone Gas Bill, with Amendments; to which the Lords desire the concurrence of this House.

Van Diemen's Land Company Bill [Lords], without any Amendment.

The Lords have agreed to the Amendments made by this House to the Van Diemen's Land Company Bill [Lords], without any Amendment.

Lecky's Divorce Bill [Lords].

The Lords have passed a Bill, intituled An Act to dissolve the Marriage of Hugh Lecky with Annie Margaret Lecky, his present wife, and to enable him to marry again, and for other purposes; to which the Lords desire the concurrence of this House.

Great Central and Sheffield District Railways Bill [Lords].

The Lords have passed a Bill, intituled An Act to confirm an agreement between the Great Central Railway Company and the Sheffield District Railway Company with reference to the latter Company's railway, and for other purposes; to which the Lords desire the concurrence of this House.

Lecky's Divorce Bill [Lords] was read the first time; and ordered to be read a second time.

Great Central and Sheffield District Railways Bill [Lords].

The Great Central and Sheffield District Railways Bill [Lords] was read the first time, and ordered, That the Bill be referred to the Examiners of Petitions for Private Bills.

Supply [8th allotted Day].

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

Civil Services and Revenue Departments Estimates, 1916-17.

Class II.

Motion made, and Question proposed, That a sum not exceeding £166,801 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 1917 for the Salaries and Expenses of the Office of His Majesty's Secretary of State for the Home Department and subordinate Offices:

Whereupon Motion made, and Question put, That Item A (Salaries, Wages, and Allowances) be reduced by £100.—[Mr. Johnson-Hicks.]

The Committee divided.

Tellers for the [Mr. Ponsonby, Yeas, [Mr. Jossett:]

Tellers for the [Mr. Gulland, Noes, [Lord Edmund Talbot:]

Original Question again proposed:

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 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 Supply the Report from the Committee of Supply of the 20th day of this instant June; 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 the 22nd 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 the 31st 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 the 3rd day of June; 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 the 31st day of May last; Ordered, That the Report be received upon Monday next.

The Order of the day being read, for the Yeas and Noes, for the Gas (Standard of Calorific Power) 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 Police, &c. (Miscellaneous Provisions) Bill;

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

The Order of the day being read, for the Royal Marines Second Reading of the Royal Marines Bill;

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

The Order of the day being read, for the Gas (Standard of Calorific Power) 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 Defence of the Realm (Acquisition of Land) Bill;

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

The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Land Drainage (Lilleshal) Provisional Order Bill;

Ordered, That the Clerk do carry the Bill to the Lords; and acquaint them that this House hath agreed to the same, with Amendments; to which this House doth desire the concurrence of their Lordships.

The Newcastle-upon-Tyne and Gateshead Gas Bill [Lords] was read a second time, and committed.

The Yeadon Water Bill [Lords] was read a second time, and committed.

The Land Drainage (Lilleshal) 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. 7) Bill was, according to Order, read the third time and passed.

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

The House, according to Order, proceeded to take into consideration the Land Drainage (Feltwell) Provisional Order Bill, as amended in the Committee.

Ordered, That the Bill be read the third time upon Wednesday next.

The House, according to Order, proceeded to take into consideration the Local Government Provisional Order (No. 3) Bill, as amended in the Committee.

Ordered, That the Bill be read the third time upon Wednesday next.

The House, according to Order, proceeded to Local Government Provisional Orders (No. 5) Bill, as amended in the Committee.

Ordered, That the Bill be read the third time upon Wednesday next.

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

Secretary Sir Edward Grey presented, by His Majesty’s Command,—Copy of further Correspondence respecting the conditions of Diet and Nutrition in the Internment Camp at Ruhleben (in continuation of Miscellaneous, No. 18, 1916, (Cd. 8259)).

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

Mr. Runciman presented, by His Majesty’s Trade Command,—Copy of Annual Statement of the (Foreign Countries and British Possessions.) compared with the four preceding years, Volume I.

Copy of Report to the Board of Trade on Trade of the Trade of Australia for the year 1915, by Australia.

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

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; and to be printed.

Mr. Secretary Samuel presented, by His National 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 1916.

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

The Order made upon the 26th day of June Irish Petitions, 1916, was read and discharged.

The Order made upon the 36th day of June Irish last, That the Paper relative to the University of Glasgow be printed, was read and discharged.

Mr. Secretary Bonar Law, supported by Mr. Marriage of British Subjects (Facilities) Act, 1916: and the same was ordered to be read a second time to-morrow; and to be printed. Bill 60.

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

(19th allotted Day.)

Civil Services and Revenue Departments Estimates, 1916–17.

Revenue Departments.

Motion made, and Question proposed, That a sum not exceeding £14,537,145 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 1917 for the Salaries and Expenses of the Post Office, including Telegraphs and Telephones:

Whereupon Motion made, and Question proposed, That a sum not exceeding £14,537,045
be granted for the said Service—(Mr. Edmund Harvey)—: Motion, by leave, withdrawn.

Original Question put, and agreed to.

Resolution to be reported.

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

Ordered, That the Report be received to-morrow.

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

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

The Order of the day being read, for receiving the Report from the Committee of Supply of the 20th 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 22nd 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 30th day of March 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 31st day of May last;

Ordered, That the Report be received to-morrow.

The Order of the day being read, for taking into consideration the Finance 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 National Insurance (Part II) (Munition Workers) Bill;

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

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

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

The Order of the day being read, for the Committee on the Output of Beer (Restriction) Bill;

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

The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Police, &c. (Miscellaneous Provisions) Bill;

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

The Order of the day being read, for the Royal Marines Second Reading of the Royal Marines Bill;

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

The Order of the day being read, for the Gas (Standard of Calorific Power) Bill;

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

The Order of the day being read, for the Defence of the Realm (Acquisition of Land) Bill;

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

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

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

The Order of the day being read, for the South Eastern and Chatham, and Dover Railways Bill

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

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 Walter Essex.)

And the Question being put, That the words "now" stand part of the Question:

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

Tellers for the Yeas, (Mr. Stuart-Wortley,)
Tellers for the Noes, (Mr. Montague Barlow:)

So it passed in the Negative.

And the Question being put, That the words "upon this day three months" be added at the end of the Question:—It was resolved in the Affirmative.

Then the Main Question, so amended, being put:

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time upon this day three months.

Whereupon Mr. Speaker, pursuant to the Adjournment. Order of the House of the 22nd 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 after Ten of the clock, adjourned till to-morrow.
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.:

Great Central and Sheffield District Railways Bill [Lords].

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time.

Mr. Speaker laid upon the Table,—Report from one of the Examiners of Petitions for Private Bills, That in the case of the following Bill, brought from the Lords, and referred on the First Reading thereof, no Standing Orders are applicable, viz.:

Irvine's Divorce Bill [Lords].

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

Metropolitan Electric Tramways Bill.

The House proceeded to take into consideration the Amendments made by the Lords to the Metropolitan Electric Tramways 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.

Plymouth and Stonehouse Gas Bill.

The House proceeded to take into consideration the Amendments made by the Lords to the Plymouth and Stonehouse 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.

Uxbridge Gas Bill.

The House proceeded to take into consideration the Amendments made by the Lords to the Uxbridge 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.

Irvine's Divorce Bill [Lords].

Irvine'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.

Lecky's Divorce Bill [Lords].

Lecky's Divorce Bill [Lords] was read a second time, and committed.

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

Mr. Runciman presented, by His Majesty's Command,—Copy of Tables giving details as to Shipments of Coal abroad, coastwise, and as bunkers, from each port of the United Kingdom for each of the years 1914 and 1915.

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

Municipal Corporations (Buxton Scheme Confirmation) Bill [Lords].

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

Metropolitan Electric Tramways Bill; and the same were twice read, and agreed to.

Plymouth and Stonehouse Gas Bill; and the same were twice read, and agreed to.

Uxbridge Gas Bill; and the same were twice read, and agreed to.

Irvine's Divorce Bill [Lords].

Irvine'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 Amendments made by their Lordships.

Lecky's Divorce Bill [Lords].

Lecky's Divorce Bill [Lords] was read a second time, and committed.

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

Mr. Arthur Henderson presented, pursuant to the directions of several Acts of Parliament, Marine Pay and Pensions Act, 1885.

Copy of Order in Council under the Green-Byron Hospital Act, 1865, dated 27th June 1816, approving a Memorial to the Lords Commissioners of the Admiralty praying sanction to increased salary to the Superintendent of the Royal Hospital School, Greenland.

Copies of Two Orders in Council, dated 27th June 1816, made under the Foreign Jurisdiction Act, 1879.

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

Mr. Long presented, pursuant to the directions of the Act of Parliament,—Copy of Draft Order Town Planning, &c., of the Local Government Board under the Housing, Town Planning, &c., Act, 1909, approving, with modifications, the Chesterfield (Chester Street Area) Town Planning Scheme.

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

Mr. Secretary Samuel presented, pursuant to the directions of an Act of Parliament,—Copy of Order made under the Shops Act, 1912, by the Council of the aforementioned Local Authority, and confirmed, with amendment, by the Secretary of State for the Home Department:

Urban District Council of Beclingtonshire.

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

Ordered, That there be laid before this House a Return showing the names, addresses, occupations, or descriptions of the persons appointed to the Commission of the Peace in Ireland since the 31st day of December 1915, including all appointments to the end of 1915 (in continuation of Parliamentary Paper, No. 461 of Session 1914-15).—(Mr. Rupert Gwynne.)

Ordered, That there be laid before this House a Copy of the Directors' Report and Balance Sheet of the Anglo-Persian Oil Company for the year ended the 31st day of March 1915. (Mr. Montagu.)

Ordered, That a Message be sent to the Lords to request that their Lordships will be pleased to communicate to this House Copies of the Minutes of Evidence and proceedings, together with documents deposited, in the case of Lecky's Divorce Bill [Lords].—(The Lord Advocate.)

And that the Clerk do carry the said Message.

The House, according to Order, resolved itself into a Committee on the Output of Beer (Restriction) Bill. (In the Committee.)

Clause No. 1 (Limit on brewers' output).

Amendments made.

Another Amendment proposed, in p. 1, l. 18, at the end, to add the words "nor to beer brewed solely for export, if exported."—(Colonel Gretton.)

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

Clause, as amended, agreed to.

Clause No. 2 (Standard barrelage).
Amendment proposed, in p. 1, l. 27, to leave out the words “thirtieth day of September, nineteen hundred and fifteen,” in order to insert the words “thirty-first day of March, nineteen hundred and sixteen.” — (Colonel Gretton.)

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. 28, to leave out the word “fifteen,” in order to insert the word “fourteen.” — (Mr. Peel.)

Question proposed, That the word “fifteen” stand part of the Clause:—Amendment, by leave, withdrawn.

Another Amendment proposed, in p. 1, l. 2, after the word “brewed,” to insert the words “by the brewer.” — (Mr. Edward Strauss.)

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

Amendments made.

Another Amendment proposed, in p. 2, l. 32, after the word “privilege,” to insert the words “as from the date of such Order in Council.” — (Mr. Pray.)

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, to leave out the first word “a,” in order to insert the words “the required.” — (Sir George Younger.)

Question proposed, That the word “a” stand part of the Clause:—Amendment, by leave, withdrawn.

Another Amendment made.

Another Amendment proposed, in p. 2, l. 41, at the end, to add the words—

“(4) Provided that where a brewer has ceased to brew at a particular brewery and continues to brew at another brewery, or has contracted with another brewery to brew for him, the barrelage of the brewery at which such brewer has ceased to brew shall, so long as such arrangement remains in force, for the purposes of this section, be deemed to be part of the barrelage of the brewery at which such brewer continues to brew, or of the brewer who has contracted to brew for such brewer. In the event of the contract of the brewer who has ceased to brew being terminated he shall be entitled to transfer such barrelage to any other brewer with whom he may make a fresh contract.” — (Mr. Edward Strauss.)

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

Clause, as amended, agreed to.

Clause No. 3 (Restrictions on establishment of new breweries). Amendment proposed, in p. 3, l. 4, after the word “licence,” to insert the words “or to his successor in business.” — (Sir George Younger.)

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

Another Amendment proposed, in p. 3, l. 5, at the end, to add the words “or for premises substituted for those premises.” — (Mr. Peto.)

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

Another Amendment proposed, in p. 3, l. 4, to leave out the word “as,” in order to insert the words “or other premises in connection with.” — (Sir George Younger.)

Question proposed, That the word “as” stand part of the Clause:—Amendment, by leave, withdrawn.

An Amendment made.

Clause, as amended, agreed to.

Clause No. 4 (Effect of Act on contracts). Amendment proposed, in p. 3, l. 6, to leave out from the word “with” to the word “that,” in l. 9, in order to insert the words “the performances of any contract to deliver beer, or in connection with the delivery of beer, or of any condition, express or implied, in any tenancy agreement or other contract made by a brewer before the first day of April, nineteen hundred and sixteen.” — (Sir George Younger.)

Question proposed, That the words proposed to be left out, to the word “deliver,” in l. 8, stand part of the Clause:—Amendment, by leave, withdrawn.

An Amendment made.

Another Amendment proposed, in p. 3, l. 8, to leave out the words “in connection with the delivery of beer.” — (Sir Francis Lowe.)

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. 5 (Supply of beer to free licensed houses). Amendment proposed, in p. 3, l. 21, to leave out subsections (1) and (2), in order to insert the words—

“(1) Any licence-holder, in so far as he is not bound by any covenant, agreement, or undertaking to obtain a supply of beer from any particular brewer, and who has at any time during the year ended the thirty-first day of March, nineteen hundred and sixteen, been supplied with beer by any brewer or brewers, shall be entitled to obtain from such brewer or brewers particulars of the quantities and gravities of the beer supplied, and also a certificate or certificates stating the total number of standard barrels represented by the beer supplied during each quarter of the year ended the thirty-first day of March, nineteen hundred and sixteen, or such shorter period as the supply has continued.

(2) The licence-holder shall, after forwarding any such certificate to the Commissioners, be entitled to obtain the same number of standard barrels (reduced by fifteen per cent.) from any other brewer who may be willing to supply him therewith, and in every such case the maximum barrelage of the brewer ceasing to supply the licence-holder shall be reduced by the amount stated in the certificate (less fifteen per cent.), and that amount shall be transferred to the brewer who has undertaken to supply.” — (Sir Francis Lowe.)

Question, That the word “Where” stand part of the Clause, put, and negatived.

Remaining words omitted.

Question proposed, That those words be there inserted:

Amendment proposed to the proposed Amendment, in l. 1, at the beginning, to insert the words “A registered club or.” — (Mr. Nield.)

Question, That those words be there inserted in the proposed Amendment, put, and negatived.

Another Amendment proposed to the proposed Amendment, in l. 3, to leave out the words “thirty-first day of March, nineteen hundred and sixteen,” in order to insert the words
"thirtieth day of September, nineteen hundred and fifteen."—(Colonel Gretton.)

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

Another Amendment proposed to the proposed Amendment, in l. 4, after the word "brewers," to insert the words "failing agreement with such brewer or brewers."—(Colonel Gretton.)

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

Another Amendment proposed to the proposed Amendment, in l. 5, to leave out the words "and gravity."—(Sir George Younger.)

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

Another Amendment proposed to the proposed Amendment, at the end, to add the words "Provided that where the licensed holder is himself a brewer for sale the certificate shall not be used to obtain a transfer of barrelage to himself."—(Colonel Gretton.)

Question, That those words be there added to the proposed Amendment, put, and agreed to.

Proposed words, as amended, there inserted.

Other Amendments made.

Clause, as amended, agreed to.

Clause No. 6 amended, and agreed to.

Clause No. 7 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 National Insurance (Part II.) (Munition Workers) 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. Rea.)

The Gas (Standard of Calorific Power) 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. Rea.)

The Police, &c. (Miscellaneous 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. Rea.)

The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Marriage of British Subjects (Facilities) 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 (Acquisition of Land) Bill;

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

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

Ordered, That the Bill be read the third 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 contributions towards the cost of benefits conferred by any Act of the present Session to extend the provisions of the National Insurance Act, 1911, relating to unemployment insurance, to certain trades and employments in connection with the present War, and of any excess in the payments out of the unemployment fund over the receipts of that fund under such Act—(Mr. Galland);

Mr. Secretary Samuel, 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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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 22nd 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 after Ten of the clock, adjourned till to-morrow.

Wednesday, 5th July 1916.

PRAYERS.

The House proceeded to take into consideration the Resolutions made by the Lords to the Folkestone 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.

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

Ordered, That the Land Drainage (Feltwell) Provisional Order Bill was, according to Order, read the third time and passed.

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Ordered, That the Local Government Provisional Order (No. 3) Bill was, according to Order, read the third time and passed.

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The Municipal Corporations (Boxton Scheme Confirmation) Bill [Lords] was, according to Order, read a second time, and committed.


Copy of Order 9767, dated 29th June 1916, under the Diseases of Animals Acts, postponing the operation of the two Orders described in the Schedule thereto until the 1st August 1916.

Mr. Montagu presented, by His Majesty's Command,—Copy of Fifty-ninth Annual Report of the Trustees of the National Portrait Gallery, 1915-16.

Mr. Montagu also presented,—Return to an Order, dated the 4th day of this instant July, for a Return relative to the Anglo-Persian Oil Company.

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

Mr. Secretary Samuel 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 representations made concerning charitable funds for objects connected with the War, and to advise as to the control and supervision of such funds.

Mr. Secretary Samuel also presented, pursuant to Shops Act, to the directions of an Act of Parliament,—Copy of Order made under the Shops Act, 1912, by the Chief Inspector under the Alkali, &c. Works Regulation Act, 1906, of proceedings during the year 1915, presented to the Local Government Board and to the Secretary for Scotland.

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

Mr. Long presented, pursuant to the direction of an Act of Parliament,—Copy of the Fifty-second Annual Report on Alkali, &c. Works, by the Chief Inspector under the Alkali, &c. Works Regulation Act, 1906, of proceedings during the year 1915, presented to the Local Government Board and to the Secretary for Scotland.

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

Ordered, That the said Paper be withdrawn.

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

The Lords have agreed to the Amendment made by the Lords to the Folkestone Gas Bill; and the same were twice read, and agreed to.

Ordered, That the Lords' Message be now taken into consideration.

The Lords propose that the Joint Committee appointed to consider the Government of India Bill [Lords] do meet in Committee Room A on Wednesday the 19th of July, at Eleven of the clock.

Ordered, That so much of the Lords' Message as relates to the Government of India Bill [Lords] be now taken into consideration.

Mr. Secretary Chamberlain presented, pursuant to an Act of Parliament,—Copy of Statement exhibiting the moral and material Progress and Condition of India during the year 1914-15. Fifty-first Number.

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

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

The Order made upon the 28th day of June last, That the Paper relative to the Destructive Insects and Pests Acts do lie upon the Table, was read and discharged.

Ordered, That the said Paper be withdrawn.

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

Ordered, That the Paper relative to the Destructive Insects and Pests Acts do lie upon the Table.
Ordered, That the Committee of this House do meet the Committee of the Lords 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.

The Small Holding Colonies Bill [Lords] was read the first time, and ordered to be read a second time tomorrow; and to be printed.

Mr. Vaughan-Davies reported from the Select Committee on Standing Orders several Resolutions; which were read, as follows:

1. That in the case of the Clayton Aniline Company, Limited (Railways) [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 Conway and Colwyn Bay Joint Water Supply Board [Lords], Petition for Bill, the Standing Orders ought to be dispensed with; that the parties be permitted to proceed with their Bill.

3. That in the case of the Shropshire, Worcestershire, and Staffordshire Electric Power [Lords], Petition for Bill, the Standing Orders ought to be dispensed with; that the parties be permitted to proceed with their Bill.

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. Rea.)

The Defence of the Realm (Acquisition of Land) Bill was, according to Order, 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. Miltmore.)

And the Question being put, That the word "now" stand part of the Question; the House divided. The Yeas to the Right; The Noes to the Left.

Tellers for the [Mr. Gulland, [Lord Edmund Talbot]; 99.
Tellers for the [Sir Frederick Banbury, [Mr. Hamilton]; 24.
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. James Hope.)

The Marriage of British Subjects (Facilities) 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. James Hope.)
Resolved, That this House will, to-morrow, resolve itself into the said Committee.

The House, according to Order, resolved itself into a Committee on National Insurance (Part II.) (Munition Workers) [Expenses].

(In the Committee.)

Resolved, That it is expedient to authorise the payment, out of moneys provided by Parliament, of contributions towards the cost of benefits conferred by any Act of the present Session to extend the provisions of the National Insurance Act, 1911, relating to unemployment insurance, to certain trades and employments in connection with the present War, and of any excess in the payments out of the unemployment fund over the receipts into that fund under such Act—(Mr. Prestyman.)

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.

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 all compensation and purchase moneys payable by a Government department under any Act of the present Session to make provision with respect to the possession and acquisition of Land occupied or used for the defence of the realm in connection with the present War, and of all other Expenses incurred by any Government department thereunder.—(Mr. Gulland)

Mr. M'Kinnon 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.

Adjournment.

Whereupon Mr. Deputy Speaker, pursuant to the Order of the House of the 22nd 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 before Nine of the clock, adjourned till to-morrow.

Thursday, 6th July 1916.

PRAYERS.

Mr. Arthur Henderson presented, by His Majesty's Command, Report of the Consultative Committee on Scholarships for Higher Education.

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

Mr. Secretary Samuel presented, by His Majesty's Command,—Copy of Seventh 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 Return giving particulars of cases Evicted Tenants (Ireland) Act, 1907.

Copy of Fifteenth Annual General Report Department of the Department of Agriculture and Technical Instruction for Ireland, for the year 1914–15.

Mr. Secretary Samuel also presented, pursuant to the direction of several Acts of Parliament,—Copy of Abstract of Accounts of Moneys to be provided by Parliament, of all compensation and purchase moneys payable by a Government department under any Act of the present Session to make provision with respect to the possession and acquisition of Land occupied or used for the defence of the realm in connection with the present War, and of all other Expenses incurred by any Government department thereunder.—(Mr. Gulland)

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

The Chairman of Ways and Means reported from the Committee on the Aberdare and Aberaman Gas Bill [Lords]; That they had examined the allegations contained in the Preamble of the Bill, and amended the same so as to make it consistent with the provisions of the Bill as passed by the Committee, and found the same, as amended, to be true; and had gone through the Bill and made Amendments thereunto.

Ordered, That the Report do lie upon the Table, and be printed.

Ordered, That the said Papers 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 Aberdare and Aberaman Gas Bill [Lords], with Amendments, to the House.

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

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Ordered, That the Bill, as amended in the Committee, be taken into consideration upon Monday next.

The Chairman of Ways and Means reported the Horsey Gas Bill [Lords], with Amendments.

Ordered, That the Report do lie upon the Table.

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

The Lords communicate the Minutes of Lecky's Evidence taken before this House, together with the Divorce Bill proceedings and documents deposited, in the case of Lecky's Divorce Bill [Lords], as desired by this House, and request that the same may be returned.

Mr. Prestyman presented a Bill to make provisions with respect to Copyrights which would, in the event of war not existing, vest in Her Majesty the title to any copyright during the term of war; and that Orders of the House of Commons ought to be confirmed:—(Mr. Prestyman)

Ordered, That the Bill be returned.

Mr. Speaker, pursuant to the Order of the House of the 23rd day of April last, presented a Bill, to be called the Harbours Bill, and to be read the first time Monday next.

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

Ordered, That the other Government Business of have precedence this day of the Business of the House Supply.—(The Prime Minister.)
The House, according to Order, proceeded to take into consideration the Output of Beer (Restriction) 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. 2, l. 28, by leaving out the word "thirty," and inserting the word "twenty-five."—(Mr. Peto)—instead thereof.

And the Question being put, That the word "thirty" stand part of the Bill:—It was resolved in the affirmative.

Then other Amendments were made to the Bill.

Ordered, That the Bill be now read the third time:—The Bill was accordingly read the third time and passed.

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

Mr. Rea reported from the Committee on National Insurance (Part II.) (Munition Workers) Expenses, a Resolution; which was read, as followeth:

That it is expedient to authorise the payment, out of moneys provided by Parliament, of contributions towards the cost of benefits conferred by any Act of the present Session to extend the provisions of the National Insurance Act, 1911, relating to unemployment insurance, to certain trades and employments in connection with the present War, and of any excess in the payments out of the unemployment fund over the receipts into that fund under such Act.

The said Resolution being read a second time:

An Amendment was proposed to be made to the said Resolution, in l. 2, by inserting, after the word "contributions," the words "not exceeding two million pounds."—(Mr. King.)

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

Then the Resolution was agreed to.

The House, according to Order, resolved itself into a Committee on the National Insurance (Part II.) (Munition Workers) Bill.

(In the Committee.)

Clause No. 1 to No. 4 agreed to.

Clause No. 5 (Short title and commencement).

Amendment proposed, in p. 4, l. 1, to leave out the words "fourth day of September," in order to insert the words "second day of October."—(Mr. William Thorne.)

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

Clause agreed to.

Schedules 1 and 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.

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Question proposed, That those words be there inserted:

Amendment proposed to the proposed Amendment, in l. 1, at the end, to insert the words "in respect of whom no pension or gratuity is payable from the police fund."—(Mr. Secretary Samuel.)

Question, That those words be there inserted in the proposed Amendment, put, and agreed to.

Proposed words, as amended, there inserted.

Another Amendment proposed, in p. 2, l. 10, after the words last inserted, to insert the words—

"(2) For the purpose of section one of the Police (Emergency Provisions) Act, 1915, every police constable who enlisted in His Majesty's forces prior to the passing of the above Act, and who resigned from the police force for the purpose of so enlisting, shall be considered to have joined His Majesty's forces with the consent of the chief officer of the force to which he belonged."—(Mr. Samuel.)

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

Clause, as amended, agreed to.

Clause No. 3 amended, and agreed to.

Clause No. 4 (Amendment of 51 & 52 Vict. c. 41, s. 24 (1), (i) and (j)).

Amendment proposed, in p. 2, l. 35, after the word "pay," to insert the words "pension and compensation."—(Mr. Perkins.)

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

Another Amendment proposed, in p. 2, l. 37, at the end, to add the words "And the expression 'clothing of the police' shall be deemed to include equipment of special constables."—(Mr. King.)

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

Amendments made.

Clause, as amended, agreed to.

Clause No. 5 (Regulation of street collections).

Amendment proposed, in p. 3, l. 4, after the word "if," to insert the words "or fails to comply with."—(Mr. King.)

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

Amendments made.

Clause No. 6 amended, and agreed to.

Clause No. 7 (Provisions for securing welfare of workers in factories and workshops).

Amendment proposed, in p. 4, to leave out ls. 16 and 17.—(Mr. Whitehouse.)

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

Clause agreed to.

Clause No. 8 (Abolition of investigations of accidents by certifying surgeons).

Amendment proposed, in p. 5, l. 24, at the end, to insert the words "Provided also that it shall continue to be the duty of the certifying surgeon to investigate and report upon cases of injury caused by exposure to gas fumes, or other noxious substances, or due to any other special cause specified in instructions of the Secretary of State as requiring medical investigation, and the Secretary of State shall issue instructions defining the causes of injury to which this provision is to apply, and requiring the inspector of the district to refer to the certifying surgeon all such cases reported to him. The certifying surgeon shall have, for the purpose of the investigation in any such case, the same powers, and shall be entitled to receive the same fee, as he would if the case had been a case to which section seventy-three applies."—(Mr. Secretary Samuel.)

Question proposed, That those words be there inserted:

Amendment proposed to the proposed Amendment, in l. 3, to leave out from the word "cause" to the first word "The," in l. 7, in order to insert the words "which, in the discharge of his duties, he may consider necessary."—(Sir Philip Magnus.)

Question, That the words proposed to be left out, to the word "medical," in l. 4, stand part of the proposed Amendment, put, and agreed to.

Amendments made to the proposed Amendment.

Another Amendment proposed to the proposed Amendment, at the end thereof to add the words "Provided also that the Secretary of State may by special order direct that the Factory and Workshop Acts, 1901 to 1911, shall continue to apply to any factory or workshop as though this section had not been enacted."—(Mr. Whitehouse.)

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

Proposed words, as amended, there inserted.

Question put, That the Clause, as amended, stand part of the Bill.

The Committee divided.

Tellers for the Yeas, [Lord Edmund Talbot ] 1 55.

Tellers for the Sir Philip Magnus, 23.

Nees, [ Mr. Stephen Walsh ] 1.

Clauses No. 9 to No. 11 agreed to.

Clause No. 12 disagreed to.

Clause No. 13 (Short title).

Amendment proposed, in p. 6, l. 22, at the end, to add the words—

"(2) The Factory and Workshop Acts, 1901 to 1911, and Part II. of this Act, may be jointly cited as the Factory and Workshop Acts, 1901 to 1916."—(Mr. King.)

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

Clause agreed to.

A Clause (Amendment of 4 & 5 Geo. 5, c. 58, s. 3)—(Mr. Secretary Samuel)—brought up, and read the first and second time, and added to the Bill.

Schedule 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 Bill 64. Committee, be taken into consideration upon Monday next; and be printed.
The House, according to Order, resolved itself into a Committee on the Royal Marines 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 Marriage of British Subjects (Facilities) 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 on Defence of the Realm (Acquisition of Land) Bill;

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

The Order of the day being read, for the Committee on Defence of the Realm (Acquisition of Land) Bill;

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

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

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

Finance Bill.

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

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

Small Holding Colonies Bill [Lords.]

The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Small Holding Colonies Bill [Lords];

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

Defence of the Realm (Acquisition of Land) [Expenses.]

The Order of the day being read, for the Committee on Defence of the Realm (Acquisition of Land) [Expenses];

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

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

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

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Ordered, That Mr. Speaker do issue his Warrant to the Clerk of the Crown, to make out a new Writ for the electing of a Member to serve in this present Parliament for the County of Berwick, in the room of the Right Honourable Harold John Tennant, who, since his Election for the said county, hath accepted the Office of His Majesty's Secretary for Scotland.—(Mr. Gulland.)

Mr. Runciman presented, by His Majesty's Command,—Copy of Report on the Examinations of candidates for Certificates of Competency in the Mercantile Marine and the Sea-Fishing Service for the year 1915 (in continuation of [Cd. 7993]).

Mr. Runciman also presented, pursuant to the directions of several Acts 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 1916 (in continuation of H.C. 299 of 1915).

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 1916.

Ordered, That the said Papers do lie upon the Table ; and that the Paper relative to the Merchant Shipping Acts, 1894 to 1906 (Dispensing Powers), No. 92, be printed.


Copy of Fourth Report of the Board of Agriculture for Scotland, for the year 1915.

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

Mr. Secretary Samuel presented, pursuant to the directions of an Act of Parliament,—Copy of Order made under the Shops Act, 1912, by the Council of the undermentioned Local Authority, and confirmed by the Secretary of State for the Home Department—:

City of Liverpool.

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

Mr. McKinnon Wood presented, pursuant to the directions of an Act of Parliament,—Copy of Order made by the National Health Insurance Joint Committee and the Scottish Insurance Commissioners, acting jointly, dated 31st May 1916, entitled the National Health Insurance (Subsidiary Employments) Order (Scotland), 1916.

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

Lord Robert Cecil presented, by His Majesty's Command,—Copy of Returns of Shipping and Tonnage passing through the Suez Canal in the years 1913, 1914, and 1915 (in continuation of Commercial, No. 1, 1915 [Cd. 8010]).

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

The Small Holding Colonies 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. Acland.)

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

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

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

The Order of the day being read, for taking Finance Bill, into consideration the Finance 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 Supply Committee of Supply of the 3rd 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 3rd 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 20th 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 22nd 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 the 31st May last ;

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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.

Adjournment.

Whereupon Mr. Speaker, pursuant to the Order of the House of the 22nd 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 to-morrow.

Tuesday, 11th July 1916.

PRAYERS.

Wakefield Corporation Bill.

The House proceeded to take into consideration the Amendments made by the Lords to the Wakefield 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 Pier and Harbour Provisional Orders 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. Arthur Henderson presented, pursuant to the directions of several Acts of Parliament, were laid by the Council of the undermentioned Local Corporation, for the County of Essex (Urban District of Burnham-on-Crouch),

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

Mr. Secretary Samuel presented, pursuant to the directions of an Act of Parliament,—Copy of Order made under the Shops Act, 1865; dated 7th July 1916, as amended by the Lords.

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

Mr. Secretary Lloyd George presented, pursuant to the directions of an Act of Parliament,—Copy of Order made under the Territorial and Reserve Forces Act, 1907.

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:

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Ordered, That the Amendments of several Acts of Parliament, were laid by the Council of the undermentioned Local Corporation, for the County of Devon and the County of Essex under the Territorial and Reserve Forces Act, 1907.

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

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.

Copy of Increase of Rent and Mortgage Interest (War Restrictions) Rules, 1916 (No. 2), dated 26th June 1916, made by the Lord Chancellor under the Increase of Rent and Mortgage Interest (War Restrictions) Act, 1915, as amended by the Lords.

Ordered, That the Bill do lie upon the Table.

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Ordered, That the Bill be read the third time.

Ordered, That the Minutes of Evidence and Lecky's proceedings in the House of Lords on the Second Reading of Lecky's Divorce Bill [Lords], together with the documents deposited in the case, be returned to the House of Lords.

(The Lord Advocate.)

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 Local Government Provisional Orders (No. 1) Bill, without any Amendment.

The Lords have agreed to the North British Railway Bill, with Amendments; to which the Lords desire the concurrence of this House.

The Lords have passed a Bill, intituled An River Glen Bill, to confer powers upon the Glen Bank Bill [Lords] Trustees, and for other purposes; to which the Lords desire the concurrence of this House.

The River Glen Bill [Lords] was read the River Glen Bill [Lords] first time.

Ordered, That the Bill be referred to the Examiners of Petitions for Private Bills.

The House, according to Order, resolved itself Ways and Means.

(In the Committee.)

Resolved, That the relief given under section fifty-four of the Income Tax Act, 1853, as amended by any subsequent enactment, in respect of insurances and contracts for deferred annuities, shall not—

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Motion made, and Question proposed, That it is expedient to authorise the payment, out of money provided by Parliament, of compensation and purchase money payable by a Government department under any Act of the present Session to make provision with respect to the possession and acquisition of land occupied or used for the defence of the realm in connection with the present war, and of all other expenses incurred by any Government department thereunder.—(Mr. Solicitor General.)

Amendment proposed, in l. 2, after the word "money," to insert the words "not exceeding in the whole ten million pounds."—(Mr. King.)

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

Main Question put, and agreed to.

Resolution to be reported.

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

Ordered, That the Report be received to-morrow.

The Order of the day being read, for the Small Holding Colonies Bill [Lords];

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

The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Trading with the Enemy (Copyright) Bill;

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

The Order of the day being read, for the Defence of the Realm (Acquisition of Land) Bill;

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

The Order of the day being read, for taking Finance Bill, into consideration to-morrow.

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

The Order of the day being read, for receiving Supply the Report from the Committee of Supply of [3rd July] Report.

The Order of the day being read, for receiving Supply the Report from the Committee of Supply of [20th June] Report.

The Order of the day being read, for receiving Supply the Report from the Committee of Supply of [22nd May] Report.

The Order of the day being read, for receiving Supply the Report from the Committee of Supply of [30th March] Report.

The Order of the day being read, for receiving Supply the Report from the Committee of Supply of [3rd July] Report.

The Order of the day being read, for receiving Supply the Report from the Committee of Supply of [31st May] Report.

Ordered, That the Report be received to-morrow.
Adjournment.

Whereupon Mr. Deputy Speaker, pursuant to the Order of the House of the 22nd 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 after Eight of the clock, adjourned till to-morrow.

Wednesday, 12th July 1916.

PRAYERS.

Mr. Secretary Samuel presented, pursuant to the directions of an Act of Parliament,—Copies of Orders made under the Shops Act, 1912, by the Council of the aforementioned Local Authority, and confirmed by the Secretary of State for the Home Department:—Borough of Chorley (two).

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

Mr. Forster presented, pursuant to the directions of an Act of Parliament,—Copy of Scheme made by the Army Council for the establishment and constitution of an Association for the County of Berks under the Territorial and Reserve Forces Act, 1907.

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

Colonel Lockwood reported from the Select Committee on House of Commons (Kitchen and Refreshment Rooms); That they had considered the matters to them referred, and directed him to make a Report and Special Report thereof to the House.

Ordered, That the Report and Special Report do lie upon the Table; and be printed.

Mr. McKintosh Wood, supported by Mr. Chancellor of the Exchequer and Mr. Solicitor General, presented a Bill to facilitate the investment of savings in securities issued for the purposes of the present War by means of the establishment of Municipal Savings Banks: And the said Paper do lie upon the Table; and be printed.

Ordered, That the leave be given to bring in a Bill to make temporary provision rendering unnecessary the re-election of Members of the House of Commons on acceptance of certain Offices: And that the Prime Minister and Mr. Solicitor General do prepare and bring it in.

The Prime Minister accordingly presented a Bill to make temporary provision rendering unnecessary the re-election of Members of the House of Commons on acceptance of certain Offices: And the same was read the first time, and ordered to be read a second time to-morrow; and to be printed.

Mr. Rea reported from the Committee of Ways and Means, that the relief given under section fifty-four of the Income Tax Act, 1833, as amended by any subsequent enactment, in respect of

insurances and contracts for deferred annuities, shall not:

(a) be given at a greater rate than that of three shillings in the pound; or

(b) be given for the purposes of super tax; and that the said relief shall not, as respects insurances or contracts for deferred annuities made after the twenty-second day of June, nineteen hundred and sixteen:

(a) be given except in respect of premiums or other payments payable on policies for securing a capital sum on death, whether in conjunction with any other benefit or not; or

(b) be given in respect of premiums or payments payable on a policy which becomes fully operative only after the expiration of a certain period until after the expiration of that period.

The said Resolution being read a second time:

An Amendment was proposed to be made to the Resolution, in l. 3, by inserting after the word "annuities," the words "entered into after the eleventh day of July, nineteen hundred and sixteen."—(Sir J. D. Rees.)

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

And the Resolution was agreed to.

Ordered, That it be an Instruction to the Committee on the Finance (recommitted) Bill that they have power to make provision therein pursuant to the said Resolution.

The House, according to Order, proceeded to take into consideration the Finance Bill, as amended in the Committee. A Clause (Further provision as to profits applied in extinction of previous losses)—(Mr. Chancellor of the Exchequer)—was twice read; and made part of the Bill.

Another Clause (Drawback on exported coffee and chicory and mixtures of coffee and chicory)—(Mr. Chancellor of the Exchequer)—was twice read; and made part of the Bill.

Another Clause was offered to be added to the Bill (Reduction of duty on herb beer).—(Mr. McKintosh Wood.)

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. 6, by inserting at the end thereof the words "other than fermented ginger beer sold in stone jars containing not less than half a gallon."—(Sir Joseph Walton.)

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

And the Clause was added to the Bill.

Another Clause was offered to be added to the Bill (Exemption of newly planted woodland).—(Captain Charles Borthoral.)

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 offered to be added to the Bill (Assessment of income tax of controlled establishments).—(Mr. James Mason.)
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 offered to be added to the Bill (Computation of excess profits duty in certain cases).—(Mr. John Henderson.)

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 (Modification of entertainments duty).—(Mr. Hastings.)

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 offered to be added to the Bill (Rebate for superannuation funds).—(Mr. Edmund Harvey.)

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 (Exemption of school entertainments from entertainments duty)—(Mr. Goldstone)—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. 5, l. 12, by inserting, after the word "to," the words "clergymen of all denominations and."—(Sir Robert Finlay.)

And the Question being put, That those words be there inserted in the Bill:

The House divided.
The Yeas to the Right;
The Noes to the Left.
Tellers for the [Sir Robert Finlay, Yeas; Mr. Morton: ] 37.
Tellers for the [Mr. Gauld, Mr. Bridgeman: ] 93.

So it passed in the Negative.

Then other Amendments were made to the Bill.

Another Amendment was proposed to be made to the Bill, in p. 5, l. 40, by inserting, after the word "Any," the words "clergyman of any denomination."—(Sir Robert Finlay.)

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. 12, l. 17, by inserting, after the word "trustees," the words "or guardians."—(Mr. Brady.)

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. 12, l. 18, by leaving out from the word "trust" to the word "and," in l. 19, and inserting the words "or by the laws of the country from investing money in securities outside the country"—(Sir George Younger),—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 another Amendment was made to the Bill.

Another Amendment was proposed to be made to the Bill, in p. 14, l. 7, by leaving out subsection (7) of Clause 24.—(Sir Frederick Bowburn.)

And the Question being put, 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. 15, l. 28, by leaving out "3d."—(Mr. Peto.)

And the Question being put, That "3d." stand part of the Bill:—It was resolved in the Affirmative.

Another Amendment was proposed to be made to the Bill, in p. 16, l. 12, by inserting, after the word "from," the words "income other than."—(Mr. Peto.)

And the Question being put, That those words be there inserted in the Bill:

The House divided.
The Yeas to the Right;
The Noes to the Left.
Tellers for the [Mr. Peto, Yeas; Mr. Pollock: ] 15.
Tellers for the [Lord Edmund Talbot, Mr. Geoffrey Howard: ] 79.

So it passed in the Negative.

Then other Amendments were made to the Bill.

Another Amendment was proposed to be made to the Bill, in p. 21, by leaving out ls. 24 to 29, inclusive.—(Sir J. D. Rees.)

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. 22, l. 16, by inserting at the end thereof the words "Provided that no person shall be liable to pay excess mineral rights duty whose mineral rent in the accounting year is less than the average of any two of the three last pre-war rent values; and any person to whom this proviso applies who has already been assessed, or has already paid excess mineral rights duty, shall be entitled to repayment or relief accordingly as the case requires."—(Mr. Currie.)

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. 28, by inserting, after the word "actually," the words "or can be."—(Sir John Harmsworth.)

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. 23, l. 37, by inserting at the end thereof the words "Provided that where there has not been one pre-war trade year, and where the actual profits of a trade or business for a portion of a year prior to the fifth day of August, nineteen hundred and fourteen, amounted to more than the percentage standard for the same period as defined by the principal Act, the pre-war standard of profits shall be taken to be the amount of the actual profits earned prior to the fifth day of August, nineteen hundred and fourteen, and the first accounting period shall be apportioned accordingly."—(Sir John Harmsworth.)

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

Then other Amendments were made to the Bill.

Ordered, That the Bill be recommitted to a Committee of the whole House for to-morrow, in respect of Clause 33 and of new Clauses moved by the Government, and relating to—

The limitation of relief from income tax in respect of insurance premiums;
Income tax relief on war insurance premiums;
Amendments of law with respect to income tax on woodlands; and
The repayment of income tax on sums deducted from profits under the Munitions of War Act, 1915.

—(Mr. Chancellor of the Exchequer.)

The Order of the day being read, for receiving the Report from the Committee on Defence of the Realm (Acquisition of Land) [Expenses]:
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 receiving the Report from the Committee of Supply of the 11th day of this instant July:
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 Trading with the Enemy (Copyright) Bill:
Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time to-morrow.

The Order of the day being read, for the Third Reading of the Anglo-Portuguese Commercial Treaty Bill:
Ordered, That the Bill be read the third time to-morrow.

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The Order of the day being read, for receiving Supply the Report from the Committee of Supply of [3rd July], the 3rd 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 [20th June], the 29th 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 [22nd May], the 22nd 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 [30th March], the 30th day of March 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 [31st May], the 31st day of May last:
Ordered, That the Report be received to-morrow.

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

Thursday, 13th July 1916.

PRAYERS.

ORDERED, That the Aberdare and Aberaman Gas Bill [Lords], as amended in the Aberaman Committee, be taken into consideration upon Wednesday next.

The House proceeded to take into considera—Horneay Gas—Horneay Gas Bill [Lords], as amended in the Committee of Supply.
Ordered, That the Bill be read the third time.

Lord Robert Cecil presented, by His Majesty's Declaration of Command,—Copy of Note addressed by His London Majesty's Government to Neutral Representatives in London respecting the withdrawal of the Declaration of London Orders in Council.
Ordered, That the said Paper do lie upon the Table.

Mr. Secretary Samuel presented, pursuant to the order of an Act of Parliament,—Copy of Certificate of a Licence granted to a Convict, discharging her from Alvechurch Convict Prison on condition Licence (Conditional) that she enters a Home.
Ordered, That the said Paper do lie upon the Table.

Mr. Asland presented, by His Majesty's Board of Command,—Copy of Agricultural Statistics, Agriculture 1915. Volume L. Part II. Return of Produce of Crops in England and Wales, with Statistics. Summaries for the United Kingdom.

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Mr. Acland also presented, pursuant to the directions of an Act of Parliament,—Copy of Order under the Destructive Insects and Pests Acts, numbered D.I.P. 385, declaring an area described in the Schedule thereto to be infected with American Gooseberry Mildew, and an infected area for the purposes of the American Gooseberry Mildew (Infected Areas) Order of 1914.

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

The Chairman of Ways and Means reported the Ferndale Gas Bill [Lords], with Amendments.

Ordered, That the Report do lie upon the Table.

The Chairman of Ways and Means reported the Colchester Gas Bill [Lords], with Amendments.

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 Marriages Provisional Order Bill, without any Amendment.

The Lords have agreed to the Halifax Corporation Provisional Order Bill, without any Amendment.

The Lords have agreed to the Local Government Provisional Orders (No. 2) Bill, without any Amendment.

The Lords have agreed to the Local Government Provisional Orders (No. 4) Bill, without any Amendment.

The Lords have agreed to the Local Government Provisional Orders (No. 6) Bill, without any Amendment.

The Lords have agreed to the Local Government (Ireland) Provisional Order (Gas) Bill, without any Amendment.

Mr. McKinnon Wood presented a Bill to grant money for the purpose of certain Local Loans out of the Local Loans Fund, and for other purposes relating to Local Loans: And the same was ordered to be read a second time upon Monday next; and to be printed.

The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Re-election of Ministers Bill, it was resolved that the Bill be read a second time.

A Motion was made, and the Question was proposed, That the Finance Bill, immediately on its being reported to the House, as amended on recommital, may be considered, notwithstanding the practice of the House as to the interval between the various stages of a Bill relating to Finance—(Mr. Chancellor of the Exchequer)—And the said Motion was, with leave of the House, withdrawn.

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 Arthur Markham.)

And the Question being put, That the word "now" stand part of the Question:

The House divided.

The Yeas to the Right;

The Noes to the Left.

Tellers for the Yeas, [Mr. Gilliland, Lord Edmund Talbot];

Tellers for the Noes, [Mr. Hogge, Mr. Watt].

So it was resolved in the Affirmative.

And the Main Question being put:

Ordered, That the Bill be now read a second time.

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

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 Finance Bill, into a Committee on the Finance (recommitted) Bill.

(In the Committee.)

Clause No. 33 disagreed to.

A Clause (Limitation of relief from income tax in respect of insurance premiums)—(Mr. Chancellor of the Exchequer)—brought up, and read the first and second time; and amended, in l. 3, after the word "not," by inserting the words "as regards insurances or contracts for deferred annuities made after the twenty-second day of June, nineteen hundred and sixteen"—(Mr. Chancellor of the Exchequer); and in l. 3 and 4, by leaving out the words "or (b)," and inserting the words "and shall not, as regards any insurance or contract for a deferred annuity."—(Mr. Chancellor of the Exchequer.)

Another Amendment proposed to the proposed Clause, as amended, in l. 18, at the end, to add the words "or on any policy taken out by a teacher in a secondary school."—(Mr. Rawlinson.)

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

Clause, as amended, added to the Bill.

Another Clause (Income tax on war insurance premiums)—(Mr. Chancellor of the Exchequer)—brought up, and read the first and second time, and added to the Bill.

Another Clause (Amendments of law with respect to income tax on woodlands)—(Mr. Chancellor of the Exchequer)—brought
The Order of the day being read, for receiving Supply, the Report from the Committee of Supply of [3rd May] the 22nd day of May last;
Order, 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 [3rd March] the 30th day of March last;
Order, 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 [31st May] the 31st day of May last;
Order, 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 [7th June] the 29th day of June last;
Order, That the Report be received upon Monday next.

PRAYERS.

ORDERED, That the Amendments made by the Lords to the North British Railway Bill be taken into consideration to-morrow.

Lockey's Divorce Bill [Lords] was read the third time and passed.
Order, That the Clerk do carry the Bill to the Lords; and acquaint them that this House hath agreed to the same, without Amendment.

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

Mr. McKinnon Wood presented, by His Majesty's Command,—Estimate of further sum required to be voted for the Civil Services for the year ending 31st March 1917.
No. 100.

Mr. McKinnon Wood also presented, pursuant to the directions of an Act of Parliament,—Copy of Regulations, dated 14th July 1916, (Joint made by the National Health Insurance Joint Committee and the Insurance Commissioners, entitled the National Health Insurance (Insurance Committees) Consolidated Regulations, 1916.
Order, That the said Paper do lie upon the Table; and that the said Estimate be referred to the Committee of Supply, and be printed.

Mr. Secretary Samuel presented, pursuant to Intermediate Education Board for Ireland.
Copy of Rules as to the employment of Centre Superintendents in Ireland made by the Intermediate Education Board for Ireland.

Copy of Statute VII. of University College, Cork, under the Irish Universities Act, 1908.

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

Mr. Arthur Henderson, presented, by His Majesty's Command.—Copy of Summary of Returns as to School Attendance and Employment in Agriculture supplied by Local Education Authorities of children excused from School for employment in Agriculture on 31st May 1916.

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

Mr. Acland, presented, by His Majesty's Command.—Copy of Report of the Progress of the Ordnance Survey to the 31st March 1916.

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

Mr. Runciman, presented, by His Majesty's Command.—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 1915.

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

The Lord Advocate presented, pursuant to the directions of an Act of Parliament,—Copy of Report by the Chairman of Committees of the House of Lords and the Chairman of Ways and Means in the House of Commons, under Section 2 of the Private Legislation Procedure (Scotland) Act, 1899, that they are of opinion that the Draft Provisional Orders for which Petitions have been presented 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.

Mr. Charles Roberts, reported from the Select Committee appointed to join with a Committee of the House of Lords on Consolidation Bills ; that in the case of the Larceny Bill [Lords], now pending in the House of Lords, the Committee had considered the Bill, and made Amendments thereunto.

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

A Motion was made, and the Question being put, That the Third Reading of the Finance Bill may be proceeded with this day after the Bill has been reported to the House, as amended on recommittal, notwithstanding the practice of the House as to the interval between the various stages of a Bill relating to Finance,—(Mr. Chancellor of the Exchequer); The House divided.

The Yeas to the Right ;

Yeas, 147. —

Mr. Gulland, Sir Edmund Talbot ;

Nays, Sir Frederick Banbury ;

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

The House, according to Order, proceeded to take into consideration the Finance Bill, as amended in the Committee, on recommittal of the Bill.

An Amendment was proposed to be made to the Bill, in p. 50, l. 8, by leaving out Clause 38. —(Sir Frederick Banbury.)

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 an Amendment was made to the Bill.

Another Amendment was proposed to be made to the Bill, in p. 21, l. 9, by leaving out Clause 38.—(Mr. Daudas White.)

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.

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. Rea reported from the Committee on Defence of the Realm (Acquisition of Land) Bill. [Expenses] a Resolution ; which was read, as follows:

That it is expedient to authorise the payment, out of money provided by Parliament, of all compensation and purchase money payable by a Government department under any Act of the present Session to make provision with respect to the possession and acquisition of Land occupied or used for the defence of the realm in connection with the present War, and of all other Expenses incurred by any Government department thereunder.

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

The House, according to Order, resolved itself into a Committee on the Defence of the Realm (Acquisition of Land) Bill.

Clause No. 1 (Continuation of possession of land occupied for purposes of the defence of the realm).

Amendment proposed, in p. 1, l. 5, to leave out the words " during the course of the present war."—(Sir Frederick Banbury.)

Another Amendment proposed, in p. 1, l. 11, after the word " shall," to insert the words " in the absence of agreement to the contrary." —(Sir Frederick Banbury.)

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 the words " Railway and Canal," in order to insert the words " Defence of the Realm Losses."—(Mr. Molteno.)

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. 1, l. 20, after the word "thereto," to insert the words "on the ground that the occupying department has not had reasonable time to complete arrangements for giving up possession."—(Mr. Ashley.)

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

Other Amendments made.

Another Amendment proposed, in p. 1, l. 22, at the end, to insert the words "Provided that no land or property belonging to a local authority shall be subject to this section if required by the local authority to carry out efficiently its statutory duties, or unless proper substituted provision is made by the Government department concerned for that purpose."—(Sir William Ryland Adkins.)

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

Another Amendment made.

Another Amendment proposed, in p. 2, l. 5, to leave out subsection (3), in order to insert the words—

"(3) The occupying department shall pay such rent in respect of any land which continues in their possession, and such continuance shall be upon and subject to such terms and conditions as may be agreed between the department and the persons interested in the land, or as, failing agreement, shall be determined by the Commission."—(Mr. Buxton.)

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, by leave, withdrawn.

Another Amendment proposed, in p. 2, l. 5, after the words last inserted, to insert the words "Provided that the amount of such rent shall not be greater than the annual value of the land as adopted for the purposes of local rating at the time when the occupancy thereof by the department began."—(Mr. Dundas White.)

Question put, That those words be there inserted.

The Committee divided.

Tellers for the [Mr. Dundas White, 
Yea, [Mr. Anderson: 
38.]

Tellers for the [Mr. Gulland, 
Nay, [Local Edward Talbot: 
86.]

Another Amendment proposed, in p. 2, l. 10, to leave out subsection (4).—(Sir William Ryland Adkins.)

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.

Clause No. 2 (Power to remove buildings and works).

Amendment proposed, in p. 2, l. 41, at the end, to insert the words "Provided also that any person interested in the land shall be entitled, in default of agreement to the contrary, to submit for the decision and award of the Commission any question arising between himself and any Government Department out, or in the course, or as a result, of the occupation of the land."—(Mr. Prothero.)

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

Another Amendment proposed, in p. 3, l. 3, to leave out the words "at their option," in order to insert the words "as, in default of agreement, may be determined by the Commission."—(Sir Frederick Beaury.)

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

And it being Eleven of the clock, the Chairman left the Chair to make his Report to the House.

Mr. Deputy Speaker resumed the Chair; and the Chairman of Ways and Means reported, That the Committee had made Progress in the Bill; and that he was directed to move, That the Committee may have leave to sit again.

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

The Order of the day being read, for the Public Works Second Reading of the Public Works Loans Bill; 

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

The Order of the day being read, for the Small Committee on the Small Holdings Colonies Bill Holding Colonies Bill [Lords]; 

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

The Order of the day being read, for the Municipal Second Reading of the Municipal Savings Banks (War Loan Investment) (No. 2) 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 Second Reading of the Trading with the Enemy (Copyright) Bill; 

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

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

Ordered, That the Bill be read the third 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 the Report from the Committee of Supply of [11th July] the 11th 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 [3rd July] the 3rd 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 20th 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 22nd 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 30th day of March 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 31st day of May last ;

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.

Ways and Means.

Whereupon Mr. Deputy Speaker, pursuant to the Order of the House of the 22nd 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.

Tuesday, 18th July 1916.

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.:

River Glen Bill [Lords].

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time.

Hornsey Gas Bill [Lords].

Ordered, That the Clerk do carry the Bill to the Lords; and acquaint them that this House hath agreed to the same, with Amendments; to which this House doth desire the concurrence of their Lordsships.

North British Railway Bill.

The House, according to Order, proceeded to take into consideration the Amendments made by the Lords to the North British 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 Lordsships.

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Mr. Rowanin presented, by His Majesty's Trading with Command,—Copy of Summary of cases dealt with under the Trading with the Enemy Amendment Act, 1916.

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

Mr. McKinnon Wood presented, pursuant to County

Mr. Forster presented, pursuant to the direct- Army

Mr. Acland presented, by His Majesty's Board of Command,—Copy of Report on the recent development of German Agriculture, by T. H. Middleton, C.M., Assistant Secretary, Board of Agriculture and Fisheries.

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

Mr. Forster presented, pursuant to the direc- Army

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

The Lords have agreed to the London County Council (Money) Bill, without any Amendment.

The Lords have agreed to the Marriage of British Subjects (Facilities) Bill, without any Amendment.

The Lords have agreed to the London County Council (Money) Bill, without any Amendment.

The Lords have agreed to the Tynemouth Corporation 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 Hornsey Gas Bill [Lords], without any Amendment.

The Lords have passed a Bill, intituled Gore's Divorce Bill [Lords], without any Amendment.

The Lords have passed a Bill, intituled An Act to dissolve the Marriage of Reginald Edward Gore with the Honourable Nellie Viola Castalia Florence Gore (commonly called Lady Viola Gore), his now wife, and to enable him to marry again, and for other purposes; to which the Lords desire the concurrence of this House.

The Lords have passed a Bill, intituled An Conway and Bay Act to authorise the construction of a reservoir of Owen Bay by means of a dam across the Afon Ddu, and the Supply Board taking of water by the Conway and Colwyn Bill [Lords].

The Lords have agreed to the Amendments made by the Aluminium Corporation, Limited, for power
purposes, and for other purposes; to which the Lords desire the concurrence of this House.

Gore's Divorce Bill [Lords.] was read the first time, and ordered to be read a second time.

The Conway and Colwyn Bay Joint Water Supply Board Bill [Lords.] was read the first time.

Ordered, That the Bill be referred to the Examiners of Petitions for Private Bills.

Mr. Joseph Pease, supported by Mr. Pike Pease, presented a Bill to amend the Telegraph Acts, 1863 to 1915, with respect to the construction and maintenance of telegraphic lines: 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.

Civil Services and Revenue Departments Estimates, 1916-17.

Class IV.

Motion made, and Question proposed, That a sum not exceeding £9,736,732 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 1917 for the Salaries and Expenses of the Board of Education, and of various Establishments connected therewith, including sundry Grants in Aid:

And it being Eleven of the clock, the Chairman left the Chair to make his Report to the House.

Mr. Deputy Speaker resumed the Chair; and the Chairman of Ways and Means 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 11th 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 3rd 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 20th 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 22nd 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 [30th March] the 30th day of March 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 [8th May] the 31st day of May last;

Ordered, That the Report be received to-morrow.

The Order of the day being read, for the Ways and Committee of Supply [Lords.]

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

The Order of the day being read, for the Defence Committee on the Defence of the Realm (Acquisition of Land) Bill;

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

The Order of the day being read, for the Public Works Second Reading of the Public Works Loans Bill;

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

The Order of the day being read, for the Small Holding Committee on the Small Holding Colonies Bill Colonies Bill [Lords.];

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

The Order of the day being read, for the Municipal Second Reading of the Municipal Savings Banks (War Loan Investment) (No. 2) Bill; Banks (War Loan Investment) (No. 2) Bill;

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

The Order of the day being read, for the Trading with Second Reading of the Trading with the Enemy (Copyright) Bill;

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

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

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

Whereupon Mr. Deputy Speaker, pursuant to Adjournment, the Order of the House of the 22nd 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.
Wednesday, 19th July 1916.

PRAYERS.

Aberdare and Aberaman Gas Bill [Lords.]

T HE House, according to Order, proceeded to take into consideration the Aberdare and Aberaman Gas Bill [Lords], as amended in the Committee.

And Amendments were made to the Bill.

Ordered, That the Bill be read the third time.

Navy and Army Services, Warlike Operations, and other Expenditure arising out of the War, 1916-17 (Supplementary Vote of Credit.)

No. 102.

Mr. McKinnen Wood 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.

Yeadon Water Bill [Lords], with Amendments.

Mr. Balfour presented, pursuant to the directions of an Act of Parliament,—Copy of Account showing the Receipt and Expenditure of Naval Prize Money, Salvage, and other Moneys between 1st April 1915 and 31st March 1916.

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

Shops Act, 1912.

The Lord Advocate presented, pursuant to the directions of an Act of Parliament,—Copy of Order made under the Shops Act, 1912, by the undermentioned Local Authority, and confirmed by the Secretary for Scotland, dated 17th July 1916, affecting certain classes of Shops:

Burgh of Greenock.

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

Public Works Loans Bill.

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. McKinnen Wood.)

Yeadon Water Bill [Lords.]

Sir William Middlebrook reported the Yeadon Water Bill [Lords], with Amendments.

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

Message from the Lords.

Mr. Speaker acquainted the House that a Message had been brought from the Lords by Mr. Balfour, pursuant to the directions of an Act of Parliament, Copy of Account showing the Receipt and Expenditure of Naval Prize Money, Salvage, and other Moneys between 1st April 1915 and 31st March 1916.

Royal Marines Bill.

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

Re-election of Ministers Bill.

The Lords have agreed to the Re-election of Ministers Bill, without any Amendment.

Gas (Standard of Calorific Power) Bill.

The Lords have agreed to the Gas (Standard of Calorific Power) Bill, with Amendments; to which the Lords desire the concurrence of this House.

Isle of Man (Customs) Bill, Bill 70.

Mr. McKinnen Wood presented a Bill to amend the Law with respect to Customs Duties in the Isle of Man: And the same was ordered to be read a second time to-morrow; and to be printed.

Registration and Election.

A Motion was made, and the Question being proposed, That a Select Committee be appointed to consider and report whether it is practicable and desirable to prepare a new electoral register which would include adequate representation for those engaged in the war or in war work, and to conduct an Election upon such register during the war; and, if this is found practicable and desirable, to recommend the changes in the electoral Laws which would be necessary or expedient for the purpose.—(Mr. Secretary Samuel):—And a Debate arising thereupon;

And a Motion being made, and the Question being proposed, That the Debate be now adjourned—(Sir Henry Daisley):—The said Motion was, with leave of the House, withdrawn.

And the Original Question being again proposed:—The said Motion was, with leave of the House, withdrawn.

The House, according to Order, resolved itself into a Committee on the Small Holding Colonies Bill [Lords].

(In the Committee.)

Clause No. 1 (Power of Board to acquire land for small holding colonies).

Amendment proposed, in p. 1, l. 6, to leave out the words "twelve months," in order to insert the words "five years."—(Sir Richard Winfrey.)

Question, That the words "twelve months" stand part of the Clause, put, and agreed to.

Another Amendment proposed, in p. 1, l. 8, to leave out the word "experimental."—(Sir Richard Winfrey.)

Question, That the word "experimental" stand part of the Clause, put, and agreed to.

Another Amendment proposed, in p. 1, l. 8, to leave out the word "may," in order to insert the word "shall."—(Sir Richard Winfrey.)

Question, That the word "may" stand part of the Clause, put, and agreed to.

Another Amendment proposed, in p. 1, l. 22, after the word "land," to insert the words "and for a further sum not exceeding one year's rent for indirect loss due to the quitting of the holding."—(Sir IeOr Herbert.)

Question proposed, That those words be there inserted:

Whereupon, the Yeoman Usher of the Black Rod having 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 Captain Thomas Royal Asent, 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 the several Acts therein mentioned; and that the Lords thereby authorised had declared the Royal Assent to the said Acts, as follow:
The Committee divided.  
Tellers for the [Sir Richard Wisbey, ] 37. 

Another Amendment proposed, in p. 2, l. 17, after the word "acres," to insert the words "of which two thousand acres shall be located in Wales."—(Mr. John.)

Question proposed, That those words be there inserted:
Amendment amended, by adding at the end thereof the words "including Monmouthshire."—(Sir Ivor Herbert.)

Question put, That those words, as amended, be there inserted.

The Committee divided.
Tellers for the [Mr. John, ] 51. 
Tellers for the [Mr. James Hope, ] 46. 

Another Amendment made.

Another Amendment proposed, in p. 2, l. 25, at the end, to insert the words "and so much of section sixty-nine as relates to the application of deposited moneys to the purchase of other lands to be conveyed, limited, and settled upon the like uses, trusts, and purposes, and in the same manner as the lands in respect of which such moneys shall have been paid stood settled."—(Sir William Bates.)

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

Another Amendment made.

Amendments made.

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 be again 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 Telegraph Second Reading of the Telegraph (Construction) Bill;

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

The Order of the day being read, for the 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 [11th July] 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 [3rd July] report.

Ordered, That the Report be received to-morrow.
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The Order of the day being read, for receiving the Report from the Committee of Supply of the 20th 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 22nd 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 30th day of March last;

Ordered, That the Report be received to-morrow.


The Order of the day being read, for the Report from the Committee of Supply of the 31st day of May last;

Ordered, That the Report be received 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.

Public Works Loans Bill.

The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Public Works Loans Bill;

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

Municipal Savings Banks (War Loan Investment) (No. 2) Bill.

The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Municipal Savings Banks (War Loan Investment) (No. 2) Bill;

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

Trading with the Enemy (Copyright) Bill.

The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Trading with the Enemy (Copyright) Bill;

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

Anglo-Portuguese Commercial Treaty Bill.

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

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

Adjournment.

Whereupon Mr. Speaker, pursuant to the Order of the House of the 22nd 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.

Thursday, 20th July 1916.

PRAYERS.

A PUBLIC Petition was presented, and read; Public Petitions, Vide First Report.

Mr. McKinnon Wood presented, by His Majesty's Command,—Estimate of further sum necessary for the Revenue Departments required to be raised by way of income tax for the financial year ending 31st March 1917.

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

Mr. Secretary Chamberlain presented, by His Public Service Commissioners, His Majesty's Command,—Copy of Report of the Royal Commission appointed to examine and report upon certain matters in connection with the Public Services in India.

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

The following Paper, pursuant to the directions of an Act of Parliament, was laid upon the Table by the Clerk of the House:—Copy of Report of the Royal Commission appointed to examine and report upon certain matters in connection with the Public Services in India.

Ordered, That the said Paper be printed.

The Chairman of Ways and Means reported Great Central and Sheffield District Railways Bill [Lords.]; That they had examined the allegations contained in [Lords.] 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 therunto; and amended the Title, as follows:—An Act to confirm agreements between the Great Central Railway Company and the Sheffield Districts Railway Company with reference to the latter Company's Railway, and for other purposes.

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

The Right Honourable Harold John Tennant, New Member for the County of Berwick, was sworn in.

Mr. Speaker acquainted the House that a Message from the Lords had been brought from the Lords by the Lords' Clerk, as follows:—

The Lords have passed a Bill, intituled An Act to authorise the construction by the Clayton Aniline Company, Limited, of branches of railways for the conveyance of traffic between Bill [Lords.] their works and the Lancashire and Yorkshire Railway, and for other purposes; to which the Lords desire the concurrence of this House.

The Clayton Aniline Company (Railways) Clayton Bill (Lords.) was read the first time.

Ordered, That the Bill be referred to the Examiners of Petitions for Private Bills.
Adjournment. A Motion was made, and the Question being put, That this House do now adjourn—(The Prime Minister)—It passed in the Negative.

The Order of the day being read, for the Supply [11th July] Report.

The Order of the day being read, for receiving the Report from the Committee of Supply of the 11th day of this instant July;

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 3rd day of this instant July;

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 20th 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 22nd day of May 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 30th day of March 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 31st day of May 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.

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.

Defence of the Realm (Acquisition of Land) Bill.

The Order of the day being read, for the Committee on the Defence of the Realm (Acquisition of Land) Bill;

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

Isle of Man (Customs) Bill.

The Isle of Man (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. Rea.)

Telegraph (Construction) Bill.

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

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

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. Rea.)

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The Order of the day being read, for the Municipal Second Reading of the Municipal Savings Banks (War Loan Investment) No. 2) Bill;

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

The Order of the day being read, for the Trading with the Enemy (Copyright) Bill;

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

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

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

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. Rea.)

Mr. McKean 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, upon Monday next, resolve itself into the said Committee.

Whereupon Mr. Speaker, pursuant to the Adjournment, Order of the House of the 22nd 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 after Seven of the clock, adjourned till Monday next, pursuant to the Order of the House of the 22nd day of February last.

Monday, 24th July 1916.

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.:—

Conway and Colwyn Bay Joint Water Supply Board Bill [Lords].

Clayton Aniline Company (Railways) Bill [Lords].

Ordered, That the Bills be read a second time.

The House proceeded to take into consideration the Amendments made by the Lords to the Tynemouth 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 Aberdare and Aberaman Gas Bill [Lords] Aberdare and was, according to Order, read the third time and passed, with Amendments.

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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.

Colchester Gas Bill [Lords.]

The House proceeded to take into consideration the Colchester Gas Bill [Lords], as amended in the Committee.

Ordered, That the Bill be read the third time.

Gore's Divorce Bill [Lords.]

Gore's Divorce Bill [Lords] was read a second time, and committed.

River Glen Bill [Lords.]

The River Glen Bill [Lords] was read a second time, and committed.

Examination of Mails (Miscellaneous, No. 29, 1916.)

Lord Robert Cecil presented, by His Majesty's Command,—Copy of Note addressed to the United States Ambassador regarding the examination of Parcels and Letter Mails (in continuation of Miscellaneous, No. 29, 1916, [Cd. 8261]).

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

East India (Punjab Legislative Council.)

Mr. Secretary Chamberlain presented, pursuant to the directions of an Act of Parliament,—Copy of Amendment in the Regulations for the nomination and selection of Members of the Punjab Legislative Council.

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

European War.

Mr. Secretary Bosanquet presented, by His Majesty's Command,—Copies of Papers relating to German Atrocities and breaches of the Rules of War in Africa.

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

Local Government Board.


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

Army (Excesses), 1914-15. No. 106.

Mr. Secretary Lloyd George presented, by His Majesty's Command,—Copy of Statement of Accounts of the Army for the year ended 31st March 1915.

Ordered, That the said Paper do lie upon the Committee of Supply; and be printed.

Army (Ordinance Factories) (Excesses) No. 107.

Copy of Statement of the sum required to be voted in order to make good excesses of Army Expenditure beyond the Grants for the year ended 31st March 1915.

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

Shops Act, 1912.

Mr. Secretary Samuel presented, pursuant to the directions of an Act of Parliament,—Copy of Statement of Accounts made under the Shops Act, 1912, by the Council of the undermentioned Local Authority, and confirmed, with amendment, by the Secretary of State for the Home Department:—

City of Kingston-upon-Hull.

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 Statement of Accounts of the Commissioners of the Upper Medway for the year ending 31st March 1916.

Copy of Return to the Lord Chancellor of Ireland, 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 1916.

Ordered, That a Message be sent to the Lords Gore's Divorce Bill [Lords] to request that their Lordships will be pleased to communicate to this House Copies of the Minutes of Evidence and proceedings, together with documents deposited, in the case of Gore's Divorce Bill [Lords].—(The Lord Advocate.)

And That the Clerk do carry the said Message.

Mr. John Redmond, Member for Waterford Adjournment. City, rose in his place and asked leave to move the adjournment of the House for the purpose of discussing a definite matter of urgent public importance, viz., the rapidly growing unrest in Ireland, and the deplorable effect on the Irish situation which must result from the fact that the Government do not propose to carry out in their entirety the terms proposed by them for the temporary settlement of the Irish difficulty, and which were accepted by Irish parties; and the pleasure of the House having been signified, the Motion stood over, under Standing Order No. 10, till a quarter of an hour after Eight of the clock this evening.

Ordered, That the proceedings on Government Business be not interrupted this night under the Standing Order (Sittings of the House), and may be entered upon at any hour though opposed.—(The Prime Minister.)

Ordered, That leave be given to bring in a special Bill to constitute Special Commissions to inquire into the conduct of operations of War in the Dardanelles and into the conduct of operations of War in Mesopotamia: And that the Prime Minister, Mr. Secretary Bosanquet, Mr. Secretary Lloyd George, Mr. Secretary Chamberlain, Mr. Balfour, and Mr. Attorney General do prepare and bring it in.

The Prime Minister accordingly presented a special Bill to constitute Special Commissions to inquire into the conduct of operations of War in the Dardanelles and into the conduct of operations of War in Mesopotamia: 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 Committee of Supply (Special Vote of Temperance Revenue): And a Motion being made, and the Question being proposed, That Mr. Speaker do now leave the Chair;—(The Prime Minister)

And it being a quarter of an hour after Eight of the clock, and leave having been given to move the adjournment of the House under Standing Order No. 10, further proceeding was postponed without Question put.

A Motion was made, and the Question was proposed, That this House do now adjourn.—(Mr. John Redmond.)

And it being Eleven of the clock, the Motion for the adjournment of the House lapsed.
without Question put, pursuant to the Standing Order.

The postponed proceeding on the Question, That Mr. Speaker do now leave the Chair, for Committee of Supply (Supplementary Vote of Credit), was resumed.

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

The House accordingly resolved itself into the Committee.

(In the Committee.)

Supplementary Vote of Credit, 1916-17.

Resolved, That a Supplementary sum not exceeding £450,000,000 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 1917 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. McKinnon Wood.)

Resolution to be reported.

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

Ordered, That the Report be received to-morrow.

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

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

The 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 1917, the sum of £470,262,480 be granted out of the Consolidated Fund of the United Kingdom.

—(Mr. McKinnon Wood.)

Resolution to be reported.

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

Ordered, That the Report be received to-morrow.

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

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

The Order of the day being read, for the Telegraph (Construction) (No. 2) Bill.

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time.

The Order of the day being read, for the Public Works Committee on the Public Works Loans Bill; the Report from the Committee of Supply (Supplementary Vote of Credit), was resumed.

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

Local authority.}

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

The Order of the day being read, for the Supplementary Vote of Credit, 1916-17.

Resolved, That a Supplementary sum not exceeding £450,000,000 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 1917 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. McKinnon Wood.)

Resolution to be reported.
Tuesday, 25th July 1916.

**PRAYERS.**

**Ord. Red.** That in the case of the River Glen Bill [Lords] Standing Order 211 be suspended, and that the Committee on unopposed Bills have leave to sit and proceed with the Bill upon Thursday next.—(The Chairman of Ways and Means.)

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

Mr. Secretary Samuel presented, pursuant to the directions of an Act of Parliament,—Copy of Order made under the Shops Act, 1912, by the Council of the mentioned Local Authority, and confirmed by the Secretary of State for the Home Department:—

County of Merioneth (Parish of Dolgelly).

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

Mr. Balfour presented, by His Majesty's Command,—Copy of Statement of the sum required to be voted in order to make good excesses of Navy Expenditure beyond the Grants for the year ended 31st March 1915.

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

Mr. Secretary Lloyd George presented, by His Majesty's Command,—Copy of Report of the Committee on the Royal Aircraft Factory, and Report to the War Committee by the Air Board on the subject of the Royal Aircraft Factory.

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 Output of Beer (Restriction) Bill, with Amendments; to which the Lords desire the concurrence of this House.

The Lords have passed a Bill, intituled An Act to revoke a codicil to the Will of the late Right Honourable Cecil John Rhodes, and for other purposes; to which the Lords desire the concurrence of this House.

The Rhodes Estate Bill [Lords] was read the first time.

Ordered, That the Bill be referred to the Examiners of Petitions for Private Bills.

Mr. McKinnon Wood presented a Bill to continue various expiring Laws: And the same was ordered to be read a second time to-morrow; and to be printed.

Ordered, That the proceedings on Government Business be not interrupted this night 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 special Second Reading of the Special Commissions (Dardanelles and Mesopotamia) Bill; Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time to-morrow.

Mr. Rea reported from the Committee of Supply the 24th day of this instant July [24th July] a Resolution; which was read, as followeth:

Supplementary Vote of Credit, 1916-17.

That a Supplementary sum not exceeding Supplementary Vote of £450,000,000 be granted to His Majesty, beyond the ordinary Grants of Parliament, towards defraying the Expenses which may be incurred during the year ending 31st day of March 1917 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.

The said Resolution, being read, was seconded, as agreed to.

Mr. James Hope reported from the Committee of Supply the 30th day of March last [30th March] several Resolutions; which were read, as follow:

Civil Services and Revenue Departments Estimates, 1916-17.

Class I.

1. That a sum not exceeding £32,700 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 1917 for Royal Palaces.

2. That a sum not exceeding £3,100 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 1917 for Expenditure in respect of Royal Palaces, including a Grant in Aid.

3. That a sum not exceeding £54,000 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 1917 for Royal Public Parks and Pleasure Gardens.
4. That a sum not exceeding £24,400 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 1917 for Houses of Parliament Buildings.

5. That a sum not exceeding £83,000 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 1917 for Expenditure in respect of Miscellaneous Legal Buildings.

6. That a sum not exceeding £43,200 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 1917 for Expenditure in respect of Art and Science Buildings, Great Britain.

7. That a sum not exceeding £17,900 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 1917 for Expenditure in respect of Diplomatic and Consular Buildings, and for the maintenance of certain Cemeteries abroad.

8. That a sum not exceeding £350,600 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 1917 for Customs and Excise, Great Britain.

9. That a sum not exceeding £91,900 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 1917 in respect of Insurance and Labour Expenditure Buildings, Great Britain.

10. That a sum not exceeding £141,400 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 1917 in respect of sundry Public Buildings in Great Britain, not provided for on other Votes.

11. That a sum not exceeding £88,700 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 1917 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.

Mr. James Hope reported from the Committee of Supply of the 32nd day of May last several Resolutions; which were read, as follow:

1. That a sum not exceeding £1,030 be granted to His Majesty, to defray the Expense of the Survey of the United Kingdom.

2. That a sum not exceeding £1,030 be granted to His Majesty, to defray the Expense of the Survey of the United Kingdom, for minor Services connected therewith.

Mr. James Hope reported from the Committee Supply [2nd May] the following Resolutions, which were read, as follow:

Civil Services and Revenue Departments Estimates, 1916–17.

Class I.

2. That a sum not exceeding £1,030 be granted to His Majesty, to defray the Expense of the Survey of the United Kingdom.

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

Mr. James Hope reported from the Committee Supply [22nd May] that a sum not exceeding £1,000 be granted to His Majesty, to defray the Expense of the War Office, which will come in course of payment during the year ending on the 31st day of March 1917.

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

Mr. James Hope reported from the Committee Supply that a sum not exceeding £1,000 be granted to His Majesty, to defray the Expense of the War Office, which will come in course of payment during the year ending on the 31st day of March 1917.

Class VII.

1. That a sum not exceeding £148,709 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 1917 for the Salaries and Expenses of the National Health Insurance Joint Committee (including sundry Grants in Aid).

2. That a sum not exceeding £3,167,239 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 1917 for the Salaries and Expenses of the National Health Insurance Joint Committee (including sundry Grants in Aid).

3. That a sum not exceeding £264,823 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 1917 for the Salaries and Expenses of the National Health Insurance Commission (Wales), and for sundry Contributions and Grants in respect of the cost of Benefits and Expenses of administration under the National Insurance Acts, 1911 to 1915 (including certain Grants in Aid).

4. That a sum not exceeding £492,902 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 1917 for the Salaries and Expenses of the National Insurance Commission (Scotland), and for sundry Contributions and Grants in respect of the cost of Benefits and Expenses of administration under the National Insurance Acts, 1911 to 1915 (including certain Grants in Aid).

5. That a sum not exceeding £273,475 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 (Ireland.)
the 31st day of March 1917 for the Salaries and Expenses of the Insurance Commission (Ireland), and for sundry Contributions and Grants in respect of the cost of Benefits and Expenses of administration under the National Insurance Acts, 1911 to 1915 (including certain Grants in Aid).

6. That a sum not exceeding £54,000 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 1917 for the Salaries and Expenses of the Audit Staff under the National Insurance Act, 1911.

7. That a sum not exceeding £275,000 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 1917 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.

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

The Fifth Resolution being read a second time;

And a Motion being made, and the Question being put, That this House doth agree with the Committee in the said Resolution;

The House divided.

The Yeas were as follows:

Tellers for the Yeas.
Mr. Gulland, 104.
Mr. Lord Edmund Talbot.
Tellers for the Noes.
Mr. Patrick Meekan, 23.
Mr. London.

So it was resolved in the Affirmative.

Then the subsequent Resolutions, being read a second time, were agreed to.

Mr. James Hope reported from the Committee Supply of the 3rd day of this instant July a Resolution; which was read, as followeth:

Civil Services and Revenue Departments Estimates, 1916-17.

Revenue Departments.

That a sum not exceeding £14,537,145 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 1917 for the Salaries and Expenses of the Post Office, including Telegraphs and Telephones.

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

Mr. James Hope reported from the Committee Supply of the 11th day of this instant July a Resolution, which was read, as followeth:

Civil Services and Revenue Departments Estimates, 1916-17.

Class II.

That a sum not exceeding £166,797 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 1917 for the Salaries and Expenses of the Local Government Board.

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

Mr. James Hope reported from the Committee Supply of the 24th day of this instant July 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 1917, the sum of £470,392,480 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 (No. 4) Bill.

Mr. McKinnon Wood accordingly presented a Consolidated 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 seventeen: 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 Public Works Loans (Remission of Debt).

(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. McKinnon Wood.)

Resolution to be reported.

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

Ordered, That the Report be received to-morrow.

The House, according to Order, resolved itself into a Committee on the Isle of Man (Customs) Bill, (In the Committee.)

Clauses No. 1 to No. 10 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 read the third time to-morrow.

The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Municipal Savings Banks (War Loan Investment) (No. 2) Bill;

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

The House, according to Order, resolved itself into a Committee on the Small Holding Colonies Bill [Lords].

(In the Committee.)

Clause No. 2.

Another Amendment proposed, in p. 3, l. 4, at the end, to add the words "and the Board, where they think fit, may transfer to such society the
whole or any portion of any colony of small holdings provided under this Act upon such terms and conditions as the Board may think fit."

—(Mr. Leslie Scott.)

Question put, That those words be there added.

The Committee divided.

Tellers for the [Mr. Leslie Scott, ] 76.


Tellers for the [Mr. Higham, ] 46.

Noes, [Mr. Anderson : ] 76.

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

Defence of Land (Acquisition of Land) Bill.

The Order of the day being read, for the Committee on the Defence of the Realm (Acquisition of Land) Bill;

Resolved, That this House will, upon Thursday next, 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.

Ways and Means.

The Order of the day being read, for the Committee on the Public Works Loans Bill;

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

Public Works Loans Bill.

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

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

Telegraph (Construction) Bill.

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

Ordered, That the Bill be read the third time.

Trading with the Enemy (Copyright) Bill.

The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Trading with the Enemy (Copyright) Bill;

Ordered, That the Bill be read the third time.

Anglo-Portuguese Commercial Treaty Bill.

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

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

Education (Fee Grant.)

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, in respect of children of the age of fifteen years and upwards, of the Fee Grant payable under the Elementary Education Act, 1891.—(Mr. Guilford);

Mr. Secretary Samuel, 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.

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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 22nd 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 after Eleven of the clock, adjourned till to-morrow.

Wednesday, 26th July 1916.

PRAYERS.

The House proceeded to take into considera- tion the Fernvale 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 House proceeded to take into considera- tion the Great Central and Sheffield District Railways Bill [Lords.], as amended in the Commit- mittee.

Ordered, That the Bill be read the third time.

Mr. Secretary Samuel presented, by His Government Majesty’s Command,—Copy of Headings of a of Ireland. Settlement as to the Government of Ireland. 

Mr. Secretary Samuel also presented, pursuant Shops Act, to the directions of an Act of Parliament,—1912. Copy of Order made under the Shops Act, 1912, by the Council of the undermentioned Local Authority, and confirmed by the Secretary of State for the Home Department:—

City of Bradford.

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

The following Paper, pursuant to the direct- Superiors Court- ions of an Act of Parliament, was laid upon (Rules.) the Table by the Clerk of the House:—Copy of Rules of the Supreme Court (Vacations in Courts and Offices), 1916, dated 25th July 1916.

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 Local Government Provisional Order (No. 3) 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 Local Government Provisional Orders (No. 7) Bill, without any Amendment.

The Lords have agreed to the Amendments Aberdare and Aberaman Gas Bill [Lords], without any Amendment.

The Lords communicate the Minutes of Gore’s Divorce Evidence taken upon the Second Reading of Bill [Lords.].

Gore’s Divorce Bill [Lords], together with the proceedings and documents deposited, as
desired by this House, and request that the
same may be returned.

Consolidation Bills
(Mr. Charles Roberts)
No. 109.
Ordered, That the Report do lie upon the
Table; and be printed.

Output of Beer
(Restriction)
Bill
Bill 76.
Ordered, That the Amendments made by
the Lords to the Output of Beer (Restriction) Bill
be taken into consideration upon Monday next;
and be printed.

Law and Procedure
(Emergency Provisions)
(Ireland) Bill
Bill 74.
Mr. Attorney General for Ireland, supported
by Mr. Secretary Samuel, presented a Bill to
amend the Law and the procedure of Civil
Courts in Ireland in relation to conditions
arising out of the recent disturbances in that
country: And the same was ordered to be read
a second time to-morrow; and to be printed.

Trading with the Enemy
(Copyright)
Bill 75.
Mr. Peto, supported by Mr. Solicitor
General, presented a Bill to make provision
with respect to Copyright in works first
published or made in an enemy country during
the present War: And the same was ordered
to be read a second time to-morrow; and to be
printed.

Special Commissions
(Dardanelles and
Mesopotamia) Bill.
Ordered, That the Bill be committed to a
Committee of the whole House for to-morrow.
(Mr. Ren.)

Consolidated Fund
(No. 4) Bill
The Special Commissions (Dardanelles and
Mesopotamia) Bill was, according to Order,
read a second time.

Public Works Loans
[Remission of Debt]
Ordered, That the Bill be committed to a
Committee on the Public Works Loans for the
whole House for to-morrow.

Public Works Loans Bill.
Ordered, That the Order of the day be read,
for the receiving the Report from the Committee on Public
Works Loans [Remission of Debt];
Ordered, That the Report be received to-
morrow.

Public Works Loans Bill.
Ordered, That the Order of the day be read, for
the Committee on the Public Works Loans Bill;
Resolved, That this House will, to-morrow,
resolve itself into the said Committee.

Isle of Man
(Customs) Bill.
Ordered, That the Order of the day be read, for
the Third Reading of the Isle of Man (Customs) Bill;
Ordered, That the Bill be read the third time
to-morrow.

Education
[Fees Grant]
Ordered, That the Order of the day be read, for
the Committee on Education [Fees Grant];
Resolved, That this House will, to-morrow,
resolve itself into the said Committee.

Small Holding Colonies Bill
[Lords]
The House, according to Order, resolved itself
into a Committee on the Small Holding Colonies
Bill [Lords].
(In the Committee.)
Clause No. 2 (Power of Board to promote co-operation in connection with small holding
colonies).

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Another Amendment proposed, in p. 3, l. 4,
after the words last added, to add the words
"Provided that the Board shall not make such
transference except on full repayment of all
expenses incurred by the Board in relation to
the acquisition and equipment of the property so
transferred."—(Mr. Raff.)

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

Another Amendment made.
Clause, as amended, agreed to.
Clause No. 3 (Powers in relation to acquisition
of land).
Question put, That the Clause stand part of
the Bill.
The Committee divided.

Tellers for the [Mr. Edmund Talbot,]
Year, [Mr. Gulland];
Tellers for the [Major Wedgwood,
Noes, (Mr. Mc'Ghie)
Clause No. 4 (Powers of management of land
acquired).

And it being Eleven of the clock, the Chair-
man left the Chair to make his Report to the
House.

Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair; and the
Deputy Chairman reported, That the Com-
mittee 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 Telegraph
Second Reading of the Telegraph (Construction) Bill;
Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time
to-morrow.

The Order of the day being read, for the Anglo-
Portuguese Commercial Treaty Bill;
Ordered, That the Bill be read the third time
to-morrow.

The Order of the day being read, for the Trading with
Second Reading of the Trading with the Enemy
(Copyright) Bill;
Ordered, That the said Order be discharged.
Ordered, That the Bill be withdrawn.

The Order of the day being read, for the Expiring Laws Con-
tinuance Bill;
Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time
to-morrow.

The Order of the day being read, for the Municipal Savings Banks
Second Reading of the Municipal Savings Banks (War Loan
Investment) Bill;
Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time
to-morrow.

The Order of the day being read, for the Ways and
Committee of Ways and Means;
Resolved, That this House will, to-morrow,
resolve itself into the said Committee.
Adjournment. Whereupon Mr. Speaker, pursuant to the Order of the House of the 22nd 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.

Thursday, 27th July 1916.

PRAYERS.

Colchester Gas Bill [Lords.] The Colchester 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.

Yeadon Water Bill [Lords.] The House proceeded to take into consideration the Yeadon Water Bill [Lords], as amended in the Committee.

Ordered, That the Bill be read the third time.

Occupied Allied Territories (Miscellaneous, No. 21, 1916.) Lord Robert Cecil presented, by His Majesty's Command,—Copy of Correspondence with the United States Ambassador regarding the relief of Allied Territories in the occupation of the Enemy.

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

Education (Scotland.) The Lord Advocate presented, by His Majesty's Command,—Copy of Amendment of the Superannuation Scheme for Teachers, 1916 (Scotland).

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

Aeronautics. Mr. McKinnon Wood presented, by His Majesty's Command,—Copy of Report of the Advisory Committee for Aeronautics for the year 1915-16.

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

Public Records (Supreme Court of Judicature.) The following Paper, pursuant to the directions of an Act of Parliament, was laid upon the Table by the Clerk of the House:—Copy of Schedule containing a list and particulars of classes of Documents existing or accruing in the Office of the Registrars of the Chancery Division, and in other Departments of the Supreme Court of Judicature, which are not considered of sufficient public value to justify their preservation in the Public Record Office.

River Glen Bill [Lords.] The Chairman of Ways and Means reported the River Glen Bill [Lords], with Amendments. Ordered, That the Report do lie upon the Table; and be printed.

Member suspended. Mr. Ginnell, Member for North Westmeath, having conducted himself in a grossly disorderly manner, Mr. Speaker, pursuant to Standing Order No. 20, relative to disorderly conduct, ordered him to withdraw immediately from the House during the remainder of this day's Sitting, but Mr. Ginnell persisted in his disorderly conduct; whereupon Mr. Speaker named Mr. Ginnell for disregarding the authority of the Chair.

A Motion was made, and the Question being put, That Mr. Ginnell be suspended from the service of the House.—(The Prime Minister):—It was resolved in the Affirmative.

Mr. Speaker then directed Mr. Ginnell to Member withdraw from the House, but he refused directed to obey his order; whereupon Mr. Speaker directed the Serjeant-at-Arms to cause the said Member to be removed from the House, and suspended the Sitting of the House, under Standing Order No. 21, until this should have been done.

The honourable Member was removed accordingly.

Whereupon Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair.

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

Ordered, That the proceedings on Government Business of Business be not interrupted this night 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 Consolidated into a Committee on the Consolidated Fund (No. 4) Bill. (In the Committee.)

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 gone through the Bill, and directed him to report the same, without Amendment.

Ordered, That the Bill be read the third time on Monday next.

The House, according to Order, resolved itself Consolidated into a Committee on the Special Commissions (Dardanelles and Mesopotamia) Bill. (In the Committee.)

Clause No. 1 (Appointment of Commissioners).

An Amendment made.

Another Amendment proposed, in p. 1, l. 5, after the words last inserted, to insert the words "and Mr. Walter Roch, Member of Parliament."—(Sir Henry Dalziel.) Question put, That those words be there inserted.

The Committee divided.

Tellers for the: Sir Henry Dalziel, Yeas, [ Mr. Llewelyn Williams : ] 105.

Tellers for the: Mr. Eugene Wason, Noes, [ Sir Francis Luce : ] 92.

Another Amendment made.

Another Amendment proposed, in p. 1, l. 7, after the first word "the," to insert the words "circumstances in which and the authority upon which the naval and military expeditions to the Dardanelles and Gallipoli were undertaken."—(Mr. Churchill.) Question proposed, That those words be there inserted:—Amendment, by leave, withdrawn.
Other Amendments made.

An Amendment proposed, in p. 2, l. 4, after the word "officers and."—(Sir John Jardine.)

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

Another Amendment made.

Clause, as amended, agreed to.

Clause No. 2 (Powers of Commissioners).

Amendment proposed, in p. 2, l. 16, after the word "documents," to insert the words "including unofficial communications."—(Sir Henry Dalziel.)

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

Another Amendment proposed, in p. 2, l. 18, to leave out the words "or more of the Commissioners," in order to insert the words "of the Commissioners."—(Mr. Hume-Williams.)

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 "Provided that where a person summoned to attend abroad for the purposes of a Commission or a request to examine witnesses issued under this Act fails to attend, then, if such person, when summoned, is employed in service under the British Crown, his failure to attend shall be deemed to amount to contempt of court, and he shall be liable to be dealt with accordingly on his return to British territory."—(Mr. Hume-Williams.)

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

Another Amendment proposed, in p. 2, l. 28, to leave out subsection (3).—(Sir Henry Dalziel.)

Question put, That the words proposed to be left out, to the word "counsel," in p. 2, l. 29, stand part of the Clause.

The Committee divided.

Tellers for the:—Mr. Gulland, Yeas, 165. Lord Edmund Talbot: 1
Tellers for the:—Mr. Hazleton, Noes, 35. Mr. Lynch:

Another Amendment proposed, in p. 2, l. 29, after the word "counsel," to insert the word "pleader."—(Sir John Jardine.)

Question proposed, That the word "pleader" be there inserted:—Amendment, by leave, withdrawn.

Clause agreed to.

Clause No. 3 (Discretion to hold proceedings in public or in private).

An Amendment made.

Another Amendment proposed, in p. 2, l. 38, at the beginning, to insert the words "during the continuance of the war."—(Sir Henry Dalziel.)

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

Clause, as amended, agreed to.

Clause No. 4 (Indemnity to witnesses).

Amendment proposed, in p. 3, l. 5, to leave out subsection (1).—(Mr. Peto.)

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

Clause agreed to.

Clause No. 5 (Sittings outside United Kingdom).

Amendment proposed, in p. 3, l. 26, after the word "Commissioners," to insert the words "or any of their number to whom such authority may be delegated."—(Mr. Watt.)

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

Another Amendment proposed, in p. 3, l. 26, after the word "sittings," to insert the words "in Mesopotamia and elsewhere."—(Sir J. D. Rees.)

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

An Amendment made.

Another Amendment proposed, in p. 3, l. 27, after the word "India," to insert the words "Mesopotamia, Persia, the Persian Gulf, or Arabia."—(Colonel Tate.)

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

Another Amendment made.

Clause, as amended, agreed to.

Clause No. 6 (Reports).

Amendment proposed, in p. 3, l. 33, to leave out the word "may," in order to insert the word "shall."—(Sir J. D. Rees.)

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

Another Amendment proposed, in p. 3, l. 33, at the end, to add the words "and shall in any event issue a report within three months after the passing of this Act, and their final report within six months after the passing of this Act, unless this period shall be extended by Resolution of the House of Commons."—(Mr. Watt.)

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

An Amendment made.

Clause, as amended, agreed to.

Clause No. 7 agreed to.

A Clause (Australian citizens)—(Mr. Lynch)—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 suspend officers for inefficiency)—(Mr. Hazleton)—brought up, and read the first time.

Motion made, and Question, That the Clause be read a second time: put, and negatived.

Title amended, by inserting, after the first word "the," the words "origin, inception, and," and by inserting, after the third word "the," the words "origin, inception, and,"—(Mr. Secretary Chamberlain.)

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 followeth:—A Bill to constitute Special Commissions to inquire into the origin, inception, and conduct of Operations of War in the Dardanelles, and into the origin, inception, and conduct of Operations of War in Mesopotamia.

Ordered, That the Bill, as amended in the Bill 77. Committee, be taken into consideration upon Monday next; and be printed.

The House, according to Order, resolved itself into a Committee on the Defence of the Realm (Acquisition of Land) Bill.
Clause No. 2 (Power to remove buildings and works).

Another Amendment proposed, in p. 3, l. 3, to leave out the words “at their option, either,” in order to insert the words “at the option of the persons interested.”—(Mr. Ashley)

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.

An Amendment made.

Another Amendment proposed, in p. 3, l. 8, at the end, to insert the words “Provided that in the case of any common, open space, or allotment the land shall be so restored as aforesaid to the satisfaction of the Board of Agriculture and Fisheries.”—(Mr. Solicitor General.)

Question proposed, That those words be there inserted:

Amendment proposed to the proposed Amendment, to leave out from the word “aforesaid” to the end thereof.—(Sir Frederick Banbury.)

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 proposed, in p. 3, l. 8, at the end, to insert the words—

“(4) The occupying department, within three years after the termination of the present war, shall remove all buildings and works, whether of a permanent or temporary character, which have been erected or constructed for purposes connected with the present war on, over, or under any common, open space, or allotment set out for any public purpose under an Inclosure Act or award.”—(Mr. Brunner.)

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

Clause, as amended, agreed to.

Clause No. 3 (Power to acquire land permanently).

Amendment proposed, in p. 3, l. 19, after the words “aforesaid,” to insert the words “for a Government department by Provisional Order confirmed by Parliament.”—(Mr. Dickinson.)

Question proposed, That those words be there inserted:

Amendment proposed to the proposed Amendment, after the first word “by,” to insert the words “Act of Parliament or by.”—(Sir George Younger.)

Question, That those words be there inserted in the proposed Amendment, put, and agreed to.

Question put, That those words, as amended, be there inserted.

The Committee divided.

Tellers for the [Mr. Dickinson, ]

Yeas, [Sir George Younger: ] 37.

Tellers for the [Lord Edmund Talbot, ]

Noses, [Mr. Goulard: ] 81.

Another Amendment made.

Another Amendment proposed, in p. 3, l. 33, to leave out subsection (2).—(Sir Frederick Banbury.)

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

Another Amendment proposed, in p. 3, l. 34, after the word “acquired,” to insert the words “and is to be used for the same purpose as when originally acquired.”—(Mr. Laurence Hardy.)

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

Another Amendment proposed, in p. 4, l. 4, at the end, to insert the words—

“(4) All mines of coal, ironstone, slate, and other minerals under any lands acquired under this Act shall be deemed to be excluded out of the conveyance of such lands, unless they shall have been expressly named therein and conveyed thereby.”—(Mr. John Hermwood-Banner.)

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

Another Amendment proposed, in p. 4, l. 10, to leave out the words “whilst the department is in possession,” in order to insert the words “within two years after the termination of the present war.”—(Mr. Laurence Hardy.)

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

Another Amendment made.

Another Amendment proposed, in p. 4, l. 17, to leave out the words “subject to the modifications set out in the Schedule to this Act.”—(Mr. Laurence Hardy.)

Question proposed, That the words proposed to be left out stand part of the Clause:

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Question put.

The Committee divided.

Tellers for the [Mr. Bridgesman, ]

Yeas, [Mr. Geoffrey Howard: ] 55.

Tellers for the [Mr. Laurence Hardy, ]

Noses, [Mr. Rawlinson: ] 22.

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

Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair; and the Deputy Chairman reported, That the Committee had made Progress in the Bill; and that he was directed to move, That the Committee may have leave to sit again.

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

The Order of the day being read, for receiving Public Works Loans [Remission of Debt];

Ordered, That the Report be received upon Monday next.

The Order of the day being read, for the Public Works Committee on the Public Works Loans Bill;

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

The Order of the day being read, for the Isle of Man Third Reading of the Isle of Man (Customs) Bill;

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

The Order of the day being read, for the Expiring Laws Continuance Bill;

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

The Order of the day being read, for the Municipal Savings Banks (War Loan Investment) (No. 2) Bill;

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time upon Monday next.
The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Law and Procedure (Emergency Provisions) (Ireland) Bill; 
Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time upon Monday next.

The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Trading with the Enemy (Copyright) (No. 2) Bill; 
Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time upon Monday next.

The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Law and Procedure (Emergency Provisions) (Ireland) Bill; 
Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time upon Monday next.

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

The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Committee on Education [Fee Grant]; 
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 Small Holding Colonies 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 Third Reading of the Anglo-Portuguese Commercial Treaty Bill; 
Ordered, That the Bill be read the third time upon Monday next.

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.

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.

And it being after half-past Eleven of the clock on Thursday evening, Mr. Deputy Speaker adjourned the House without Question put, pursuant to the Standing Order, it being then twelve minutes after Twelve of the clock on Friday morning; till Monday next, pursuant to the Order of the House of the 22nd day of February last.

Monday, 31st July 1916.

PRAYERS.

Ferndale Gas Bill [Lords.]
The Ferndale 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.

Clayton Aniline Company (Railways) Bill [Lords] was read a second time, and committed.

The Clayton Aniline Company (Railways) Bill [Lords] was read a second time, and committed.

The Conwy and Colwyn Bay Joint Water Supply Board Bill [Lords] was read a second time, and committed.

Ordered, That Mr. Speaker do issue his Warrant to the Clerk of the Crown, to make out a new Writ for the election of a Member to serve in this present Parliament for the Northumberland County of Northumberland (Berwick upon Tweed Division), in the room of the Right Honourable Sir Edward Grey, Baronet, K.C.M.G., who, since his Election for the said county, hath accepted the Office of Steward or Bailiff of His Majesty's Manor of Northstead, in the County of York. (Mr. Galland.)

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

Lord Robert Cecil presented, by His Majesty's Command, — Copy of further Correspondence respecting the conditions of Diet and Nutrition in the Internment Camp at Ruhleben, and the proposed release of Interned Civilians (in continuation of Miscellaneous, No. 21, 1916) [Cd. 5902].

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

Mr. Secretary Samuel presented, by His Majesty's Command, — Copy of Minutes of Evidence, with Appendix, of the Scottish Land Court, for the year 1915. [No. 21, 1916]

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


The Lord Advocate also presented, pursuant to the Shops Act, to the Report of the Comptroller and Auditor General thereon.

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

Mr. McKinnon Wood presented, pursuant to the directions of several Acts of Parliament,—Copy of Abstract Account of Receipts into and Payments out of the Road Improvement Fund for the year ended 31st March 1916; together with the Report of the Comptroller and Auditor General thereon. [No. 110.]

Account, for the year ended 31st December 1915, showing the interest accrued in respect of the securities standing in the names of the Commissioners for the Reduction of the National Debt to the credit of the Post Office Savings Banks Fund, the interest paid and credited to depositors in pursuance of the Acts relating to Post Office Savings Banks, and the expenses incurred in the execution of those Acts: —

Ordered, That the said Papers do lie upon the Table.
the securities standing in the names of the Commissioners for the Reduction of the National Debt to the credit of the Fund for the Banks for Savings, and the interest paid and credited to trustees of Savings Banks — Account, for the year ended 20th November 1915, 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 Fund for Friendly Societies, and the interest paid and credited to the trustees of Friendly Societies.

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

### Divorce Bills

The Lord Advocate reported from the Select Committee on Divorce Bills that they had examined the allegations of Gore'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.

### Gore's Divorce Bill [Lords.]

Ordered, That the Minutes of Evidence and proceedings in the House of Lords on the Second Reading of Gore's Divorce Bill [Lords] together with the documents deposited in the case, be returned to the House of Lords. (The Lord Advocate.)

### War Charities Bill

Mr. Bruce, supported by Mr. Secretary Samuel, presented a Bill to provide for the registration of Charities for purposes connected with the present War: And the same was ordered to be read a second time to-morrow; and to be printed.

### Business of the House

Government of Ireland.

Resolved, That, in view of the announcement by the Government that they do not intend to introduce their long-promised Bill to settle the future Government of Ireland during the present session, the House be not interrupted this night under the Standing Order (Sittings of the House), and may be entered upon at any hour, though opposed. (The Prime Minister.)

### Special Commissions (Dardanelles and Mesopotamia) Bill.

The Order of the day being read, for taking into consideration the Special Commissions (Dardanelles and Mesopotamia) Bill, as amended in the Committee;

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

### Output of Beer (Restriction) Bill.

The House, according to Order, proceeded to take into consideration the Amendments made by the Lords to the 'Output of Beer (Restriction) Bill; and the same were twice read, and agreed to.

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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. Rea reported from the Committee on Public Works Loans [Remission of Debt] a Resolution; which was read, as follows:

That it is expedient to authorise the remission of arrears of principal and interest due to the Public Works Loans Commissioners in respect of E酌emouth Harbour, in pursuance of any Act of the present Session relating to Local Loans.

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

The House, according to Order, resolved itself into a Committee on the Public Works Loans Bill.

(In the Committee.)

Clause No. 1 (Grants for public works).

Amendment proposed, in p. 1, l. 10, after the word “pounds,” to insert the words “of which the sum allotted to Scotland shall be three-fifteenths of the whole sum so issued.” — (Mr. Watt.)

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

Clause agreed to.

Clauses No. 2 to No. 4 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 Isle of Man (Customs) Bill was, according 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 Certificate read in Committee on Public Works Loans Commissioners in respect of the Bill Certificate.

The said Resolution, being read a second time, ordered, That the said Papers do lie upon the Table.

The Expiring Laws Continuance Bill was, according Order, read the second time.

Ordered, That the Clerk do carry the Bill to the Lords, 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 Expiring Laws Continuance Bill was, according Order, read a second time.

Ordered, That the Bill be committed to a Committee of the whole House for to-morrow.

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

The Order of the day being read, for the Consolidated Fund (No. 4) Bill to be read a second time.

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

The Order of the day being read, for the Consolidated Fund (No. 4) Bill to be read the third time: — The Bill was accordingly read the third time and passed.

Ordered, That the Clause agreed to.

Ordered, That the Clause be further amended.

Ordered, That the Report do lie upon the Table.

Ordered, That the Bill be read the third time.
The Order of the day being read, for the Committee on the Defence of the Realm (Acquisition of Land) 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 Law and Procedure (Emergency Provisions) (Ireland) Bill;

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

The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Trading with the Enemy (Copyright) (No. 2) Bill;

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

The Order of the day being read, for the Committee on Education [Fee Grant];

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 Small Holding Colonies Bill [Lords];

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

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

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

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

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

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

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

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

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

Ordered, That the Amendments made by the Lords to the Gas (Standard of Calorific Power) 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 22nd 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.

PRAYERS.

Mr. Speaker laid upon the Table,—Report Private Bills from one of the Examiners of Petitions for Private Bills, That in the case of the following Bill, originating in the Lords, and referred on the First Reading thereof, Standing Order No. 60, not previously inquired into, has been complied with, viz.:

Rhodes Estate Bill [Lords].

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time.

Ordered, That in the case of the Conway and Colwyn Bay Joint Water Supply Board Bill [Lords] Standing Order 211 be suspended, and Supply Board that the Committee on unopposed Bills have leave Bill [Lords.] to sit and proceed with the Bill upon Thursday next.—(The Chairman of Ways and Means.)

A Public Petition was presented, and read; Public Petitions. Vide First Report.

Ordered, That the Amendments made by the Lords to the Police, &c., Police, Factories, &c. (Miscellaneous Provisions) Bill (now Police, &c. Factories, &c. (Miscellaneous Provisions) Bill), with Amendments to which the Lords desire the concurrence of this House.

Ordered, That the Amendments made by the Lords to the Police, Factories, &c. (Miscellaneous Provisions) Bill (changed from Police, Factories, &c. (Miscellaneous Provisions) Bill) be taken into consideration to-morrow; and be printed.

Mr. Secretary Lloyd George, supported by Army Act Mr. Forster, presented a Bill to amend subsection five of section seventy of the Army Act; and the same was ordered to be read a second time to-morrow; and to be printed.

Ordered, That the proceedings on Government Business be not interrupted this night 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, for the purpose of concluding the House Business of the Session, Business be not interrupted this night under the Standing Order (Sittings of the House), and may be entered upon at any hour though opposed.—(The Prime Minister.)

The Question was amended, in l. 2, by leaving out the word "thirteen," and inserting the word "fifteen," instead thereof; in l. 6, by leaving out the word "twelfth," and inserting the word
“fourteenth,” instead thereof; and in 1, 8, by leaving out the word “thirteenth,” and inserting the word “fifteenth,” instead thereof.—(Sir Frederick Banbury.)

And the Main Question, so amended, being put:

Ordered, That, for the purpose of concluding the Business of Supply for the present Session, fifteen days, either before or after the fifth day of August, shall be allotted under Standing Order No. 15 for the consideration of the annual Estimates for the Army, Navy, and Civil Services, including Votes on Account; and, as respects the present Session, that Standing Order shall have effect as if in paragraph 7 of that Standing Order the fourteenth day were substituted for the last day but one of the days so allotted, and as if in paragraph 8 of that Standing Order the fifteenth day were substituted for the twentieth day so allotted.

A Motion was made, and the Question being proposed, That leave be given to bring in a Bill to assimilate the Time adopted for use in Ireland to that adopted for use in Great Britain—(Mr. Secretary Chamberlain); 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 forthwith, pursuant to Standing Order No. 11.

The House divided.
The Yeas to the Right; The Noes to the Left, Tellers for the [Mr. Gylland, Lord Edmond Talbot: 178. 1 Lord Edmund Talbot: 178. 1 Mr. London, Lord: 54. 1 Mr. Hasleton: 54. So it was resolved in the Affirmative.

Ordered, That Mr. Secretary Samuel, Mr. T. W. Russell, and Mr. Brace do prepare and bring in the Bill.

Mr. Secretary Samuel accordingly presented a Bill to assimilate the Time adopted for use in Ireland to that adopted for use in Great Britain—(Mr. Secretary Samuel);

And the Motion being opposed, Tellers for the [Mr. Gylland, Lord Edmond Talbot: 178. 1 Lord Edmund Talbot: 178. 1 Mr. London, Lord: 54. 1 Mr. Hasleton: 54. So it was resolved in the Affirmative.

Ordered, That Mr. Secretary Samuel, Mr. T. W. Russell, and Mr. Brace do prepare and bring in the Bill.

The House, according to Order, proceeded to take into consideration the Special Commissions (Dardanelles and Mesopotamia) 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. 1, l. 18, by leaving out the word “origin.”—(Sir Henry Dalziel.)

And the Question being proposed, That the word “origin” 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. 11, by leaving out the word “origin.”—(Sir J. D. Rees.)

And the Question being proposed, That the word “origin” stand part of the Bill—The said proposed Amendment was, with leave of the House, withdrawn.

Another Amendment was proposed to be made to the Bill, in p. 2, l. 38, by leaving out subsection (3), and inserting the words—

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“(3) The Commissioners may authorise the representation before them of any person appearing to them to be interested by counsel, or solicitor, or otherwise, if they consider that any injustice would ensue if that person was not so represented”—(Mr. Secretary Chamberlain),—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 said proposed Amendment to the Bill, in l. 2, by leaving out from the word “otherwise” to the end thereof.—(Mr. Home-Williams.)

And the Question being put, That the words “(3) The Commissioners may authorise the representation before them of any person appearing to them to be interested by counsel, or solicitor, or otherwise, if they consider that any injustice would ensue if that person was not so represented,” be there inserted in the Bill:—It was resolved in the Affirmative.

Another Amendment was proposed to be made to the Bill, in p. 3, l. 2, by inserting, at the end of subsection (4), the words “but the Commissioners may delegate to any two or more of their number their powers of holding sittings for the purpose of making inquiries and taking evidence abroad, and any powers in relation thereto.”—(Mr. Secretary Chamberlain.)

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. 2, by leaving out the word “two,” and inserting the word “three”—(Colonel. Yate),—instead thereof.

And the Question being put, That the word “two” stand part of the said proposed Amendment to the Bill: —It was resolved in the Affirmative.

And the Question being put, That the words “but the Commissioners may delegate to any two or more of their number their powers of holding sittings for the purpose of making inquiries and taking evidence abroad, and any powers in relation thereto,” be there inserted in the Bill:—It was resolved in the Affirmative.

Then other Amendments were made to the Bill. And the Title was amended, by inserting, after the word “Dardanelles,” the words “and amended.” Gallipoli.

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 Consolidated Third Reading of the Consolidated Fund (No. 4) Bill:

And a Motion being made, and the Question being proposed, That the Bill be now read the third time:—
And the House having continued to sit till after Twelve of the clock on Wednesday morning:

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And the Question being put:

Ordered, That the Bill be now read the third time:—The Bill was accordingly read the third time and passed.

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

Mr. Speaker's Certificate.

The House, according to Order, resolved itself into a Committee on the Expiring Laws Continuance Bill.

(In the Committee.)

Clause No. 1.

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

The Committee divided.

Tellers for the Yeas, Mr. Londom, Mr. Nugent; 10.

Tellers for the Noes, Lord Edmund Talbot; 68.

Clause agreed to.

Clause 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, 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 Municipal Savings Banks (War Loan Investment) (No. 2) Bill.

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time this day.

The Telegraph (Construction) Bill was, according to Order, read a second time.

Ordered, That the Bill be committed to a Committee of the whole House for this day.—(Mr. Rea.)

The Trading with the Enemy (Copyright) (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 this day.—(Mr. Rea.)

Small Holding Colonies Bill (Lords.)

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time.

The Order of the day being read, for the Defence of Committee on the Defence of the Realm (Acquisition of Land) Bill;

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

The Order of the day being read, for the War Charities Second Reading of the War Charities Bill;

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time this day.

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

Resolved, That this House will, this day, resolve itself into the said Committee.

The Order of the day being read, for the Law and Second Reading of the Law and Procedure (Emergency Provisions) (Ireland) Bill;

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time this day.

The Order of the day being read, for the Education Committee on Education [Fee Grant]; [Fee Grant.]

Resolved, That this House will, this day, resolve itself into the said Committee.

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

Ordered, That the Bill be read the third time this day.

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

Resolved, That this House will, this day, resolve itself into the said Committee.

And it being after half-past Eleven of the Adjournment, the clock on Tuesday evening, Mr. Deputy Speaker adjourned the House without Question put, pursuant to the Standing Order, it being then three minutes after Five of the clock on Wednesday morning, till this day.

Wednesday, 2nd August 1916.

**Prayers.**

The Yeaton Water Bill [Lords] was read Yeaton Water the third time and passed, with Amend. Bill [Lords.]

Ordered, That the Clerk do carry the Bill to the Lords; and acquaint them that this House hath agreed to the same, with Amendments; to which this House doth desire the concurrence of their Lordships.

The House proceeded to take into consideration the River Glen Bill [Lords], as amended Bill [Lords.] in the Committee.

Ordered, That the Bill be read the third time.

Ordered, That in the case of the Clayton Aniline Company (Railways) Bill [Lords], Aniline Standing Orders 211 and 236 be suspended, and that the Committee on unopposed Bills have bill [Lords.] leave to sit and proceed with the Bill to-morrow.

(The Chairman of Ways and Means.)
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Ordered, That the proceedings on Government Business be not interrupted this night under the Standing Order (Sittings of the House), and may be entered upon at any hour though opposed.—(Mr. Secretary Bonar Law.)

A Motion was made, and the Question was Adjourned, proposed, That this House do now adjourn—(The Prime Minister):—And the said Motion was, with leave of the House, withdrawn.

The House, according to Order, resolved itself Ways and Means.

(In the Committee.)

Exchequer Bonds.

Resolved, That the proviso to section fifty-eight of the Finance Act, 1916, shall not apply to Exchequer bonds issued on and after the second day of August, nineteen hundred and sixteen, and before the fifth day of October, nineteen hundred and sixteen, where the date of repayment of the bonds is expressed to be the fifth day of October, nineteen hundred and twenty-one.—(Mr. M. Kinnon Wood.)

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 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 Education [Fee Grant].

(In the Committee.)

Resolved, That it is expedient to authorise the payment, out of moneys to be provided by Parliament, in respect of children of the age of fifteen years and upwards, of the Fee Grant payable under the Elementary Education Act, 1891.—(Mr. Herbert Lewis.)

Resolution to be reported.

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

Ordered, That the Report be received tomorrow.

The Order of the day being read, for the Army Act Second Reading of the Army Act (Amendment) (Amendment) Bill;

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

The War Charities Bill was, according to War Charities Order, read a second time.

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

The Order of the day being read, for the Telegraph Committee on the Telegraph (Construction) Bill;

Resolved, That this House will, to-morrow, resolve itself into the said Committee.
Trading with the Enemy (Copyright) (No. 2) Bill.

The Order of the day being read, for the Committee on the Trading with the Enemy (Copyright) (No. 2) Bill:

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

The House, according to Order, proceeded to take into consideration the Amendments made by the Lords to the Police, Factories, &c. (Miscellaneous Provisions) 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 Second Reading of the Time (Ireland) Bill:

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

Municipal Savings Banks (War Loans Investment) (No. 2) Bill.

The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Municipal Savings Banks (War Loans Investment) (No. 2) 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.

The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Law and Procedure (Emergency Provisions) (Ireland) Bill:

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

Anglo-Portuguese Commercial Treaty Bill.

The Order of the day being read, for the Third Reading of the Anglo-Portuguese Commercial Treaty Bill:

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

Adjournment.

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

Thursday, 3rd August 1916.

PRAYERS.

Mr. Kinnon Wood presented, pursuant to the directions of an Act of Parliament,—Copy of Treasury Minute, dated 28th July 1916, sanctioning the sale of certain Kingstown Harbour Property to the Dalkey Urban District Council.

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

Mr. Secretary Lloyd George presented, by His Majesty's Command,—Copy of List of Exceptions to the Army Regulations as to Pay, Non-effective Pay, and Allowances sanctioned during the year 1915–16.

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

Mr. Long presented, by His Majesty's Command,—Copy of Draft Regulations (Part I.) for Grants to supplement Pensions, Grants, and separation allowances payable out of public funds, and for other Grants and allowances, made by the Statutory Committee of the Royal Patriotic Fund Corporation constituted under the Naval and Military War Pensions, &c. Act, 1915.

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

The Chairman of Ways and Means reported the Conway and Colwyn Bay Joint Water Supply Board Bill [Lords], with Amendments.

Ordered, That the Report do lie upon the Table.

The Chairman of Ways and Means reported the Clayton and Colwyn Bay Joint Water Supply Board Bill [Lords], with Amendments.

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

Ordered, That the Examiners of Petitions Dublin for Private Bills do examine the Dublin Drainage (Emergency Provisions) Bill (provisions) with respect to compliance with the Standing Orders relative to Private Bills.

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 Consolidated Fund (No. 4) Bill, without any Amendment.

The Lords have agreed to the Isle of Man (Customs) Bill, without any Amendment.

The Lords have agreed to the Public Works Loans Bill, without any Amendment.

The Lords have agreed to the Expiring Laws Continuance Bill, without any Amendment.

The Lords have agreed to the Harwich Harbour Provisional Orders Bill, without any Amendment.

The Lords have agreed to the Land Drainage (Feltwell) Provisional Order Bill, without any Amendment.

The Lords have agreed to the Land Drainage (Lilleshall) Provisional Order Bill, without any Amendment.

The Lords have agreed to the Amendments Colchester Gas made by this House to the Colchester Gas Bill [Lords], without any Amendment.

The Lords have agreed to the Amendments Felsdale Gas made by this House to the Felsdale Gas Bill [Lords], without any Amendment.

The Lords have agreed to the Amendments Great Central and Sheffield District Railways Bill [Lords], without any Amendment.

The Lords have passed a Bill, intituled An Government Act to amend certain enactments relating to the Government of India, and to remove doubts as to the validity of certain Orders in Council made for India; to which the Lords desire the concurrence of this House.

The Lords have passed a Bill, intituled An Craven Estates Act for charging on the inheritance of the estates in the Counties of London and Middlesex known as the Craven Estates certain incumbrances now affecting the life interest of Augustus William Craven therein, and for the rearrangement of certain policies of assurance.
on his life, and for other purposes connected with the said estates; to which the Lords desire the concurrence of this House.

The Craven Estates Bill [Lords.] was read the first time.

Ordered, That the Bill be referred to the Examiners of Petitions for Private Bills.

The Government of India (Amendment) Bill [Lords.] 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 the Committee of Supply.

(In the Committee.)

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Motion made, and Question proposed, That a sum not exceeding £35,750 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 1917 for the Salaries and Expenses of the Department of His Majesty’s Secretary of State for the Colonies, including a Grant in Aid of certain Expenses connected with Emigration:

Whereupon Motion made, and Question proposed, That a sum not exceeding £35,750 be granted for the said Service.—(Mr. Leif Jones.)

Whereupon, the Yeoman Usher of the Black Rod having 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 Thomas Daunders 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 authorized 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 authorized had declared the Royal Assent to the said Acts, as follow:

4. Isle of Man (Customs) Act, 1916.
8. Local Government Board (Ireland) Provisi

The House again resolved itself into the supply Committee of Supply.

(In the Committee.)

Question again proposed, That a sum not exceeding £35,750 be granted for the said Service:

Question put.

The Committee divided.

Tellers for the Yeas, Mr. Richard Lambert; 32.
Tellers for the Noses, Mr. Geoffrey Howard; 74.

Original 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 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 Ways and Means Committee of Ways and Means:

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

The Order of the day being read, for the Dublin Reconstruction (Emergency Provisions) Bill:

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

Mr. Res reported from the Committee of Ways and Means of the 2nd day of this instant August a Resolution; which was read, as follows:

Exchequer Bonds.

That the proviso to section fifty-eight of the Exchequer Finance Act, 1916, shall not apply to Exchequer bonds issued on and after the second day of August, nineteen hundred and sixteen, and before the fifth day of October, nineteen hundred and sixteen, where the date of repayment of the
bonds—expressed to be the fifth day of October, nineteen hundred and twenty-one.

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. McKinnon Wood, Mr. Chancellor of the Exchequer, and Mr. Rea do prepare and bring in it.

Mr. Rea accordingly presented a Bill to amend section fifty-eight of the Finance Act, 1916, with respect to the issue of Exchequer Bonds: And the same was read the first time, and ordered to be read a second time upon Monday next; and to be printed.

Mr. Rea reported from the Committee on Education [Fee Grant] a Resolution; which was read, as followeth:

That it is expedient to authorise the payment, out of moneys to be provided by Parliament, in respect of children of the age of fifteen years and upwards, of the Fee Grant payable under the Elementary Education Act, 1891.

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. Herbert Lewis, Mr. Arthur Henderson, and Mr. McKinnon Wood do prepare and bring it in.

Mr. Herbert Lewis accordingly presented a Bill to alter the limitation on the ages of children in respect of whom a Fee Grant is payable: 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 Army Act (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 War Charities Bill,

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

The Order of the day being read, for the Committee on the Telegraph (Construction) Bill;

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

The Order of the day being read, for the Committee on the Trading with the Enemy (Copyright) (No. 2) Bill;

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

The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Time (Ireland) Bill;

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

The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Municipal Savings Banks (War Loan Investment) (No. 2) Bill;

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

The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Law and Procedure (Emergency Provisions) (Ireland) Bill;

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

The Order of the day being read, for the Third Reading of the Anglo-Portuguese Commercial Treaty Bill.

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

Whereupon Mr. Deputy Speaker, pursuant to the Order of the House of the 22nd 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 after Eleven of the clock, adjourned till Monday next, pursuant to the Order of the House of the 22nd day of February last.

Monday, 7th August 1916.

PRAYERS.

Mr. Speaker laid upon the Table,—Report Private Bills from one of the Examiners of Petitions for [Lords] Private Bills, That in the case of the following (Emergency Provisions) Bill, originating in the Lords, and referred on applicable.) the First Reading thereof, no Standing Orders are applicable, viz.:—

Craven Estates Bill [Lords].

 Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time.

Mr. Speaker laid upon the Table,—Report Dublin Reconstruction (Emergency Provisions) Bill.

Gore's Divorce Bill [Lords] was read the Gore's Divorce Bill [Lords] 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 River Glen Bill [Lords] was read the River Glen Bill [Lords] third time and passed, with Amendments.

Ordered, That the Clerk do carry the Bill to the Lords; and acquaint them that this House hath agreed to the same, with Amendments; to which this House doth desire the concurrence of their Lordships.

Ordered, That the Rhodes Estate Bill [Lords] Rhodes Estate Bill [Lords] be read a second time to-morrow.

Mr. Secretary Samuel presented, pursuant to Shops Act, the directions of an Act of Parliament,—Copies 1912 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 Birmingham.

City of Exeter.

Ordered, That the said Paper do lie upon the Table.
Amendment proposed, in p. 1, l. 15, to leave out the word "may," in order to insert the word "shall."—(Mr. Holbhouse.)

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

Another Amendment proposed, in p. 1, l. 14, to leave out from the word "martial" to the end of the Clause.—(Commander Bellairs.)

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The House accordingly resolved itself into the Committee on the Bill.

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

The Order of the day being read, for the Municipal Savings Banks (Exchequer Bonds) 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. George Roberts.)

The Finance (Exchequer Bonds) 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. Rea.)

The Order of the day being read, for the Municipal Savings Banks (War Loan Investment) (No. 2) Bill;

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time.

The Law and Procedure (Emergency Provisions) (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. George Roberts.)

The Order of the day being read, for the Municipal Savings Banks (War Loan Investment) (No. 2) Bill;

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time.

The Education (Fee Grant) Bill was, according to Education Order, read a second time.

Ordered, That the Bill be committed to a Committee of the whole House for to-morrow.—(Mr. George Roberts.)

The House, according to Order, resolved itself into a Committee on the Telegraph (Construction) Bill.

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time.

The House accordingly proceeded to take the Committee, be now taken into consideration:

Clause No. 1 (Rules of procedure of courts of inquiry).

Amendment proposed, in p. 1, l. 15, to leave out the word "may," in order to insert the word "shall."—(Mr. Holbhouse.)

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

Another Amendment proposed, in p. 1, l. 14, to leave out from the word "martial" to the end of the Clause.—(Commander Bellairs.)

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

(In the Committee.)

Clause No. 1 (Prohibition against raising money for war charities unless registered).

Amendment proposed, in p. 1, l. 8, to leave out from the beginning to the word "charity," in l. 11, in order to insert the words "collect or receive money or goods for any such charity unless it has been registered under this Act, or for any person to solicit or receive goods or money, or to promote or assist in promoting any bazaar, sale, exhibition, or entertainment on behalf of any war charity, unless the approval of a governing body or committee or sub-committee, or official or agent of such."—(Mr. Pennefather.)

Question proposed, That the words proposed to be left out, to the word "sale," in l. 9, stand part of the Clause:—Amendment, by leave, withdrawn.

An Amendment made.

Another Amendment proposed, in p. 1, l. 9, after the word "means," to insert the words "or to use or disburse money already raised for any such charity."—(Mr. Anderson.)

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

Another Amendment proposed, in p. 1, l. 10, after the word "approval," to insert the words "of the registration authority and."—(Mr. Rawlinson.)

Question proposed, That those words be there inserted:

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Question put, and negatived.

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

Mr. Deputy Speaker resumed the Chair; and Mr. Dickinson 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.
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The House proceeded to consider a consideration of the Clayton Aniline Company (Railways) Bill [Lords], as amended in the Committee.

Ordered, That the Bill be read the third time.

Ordered, That the said Paper do lie upon the Table; and that the Papers relative to the National Physical Laboratory and the Road Board be printed.

Mr. Secretary Samuel presented, by His Majesty's Command, —Copy of Seventy-first Report of the Commissioners of Charitable Donations and Bequests for Ireland for the year 1915.

Ordered, That the said Paper do lie upon the Table.
The Lord Advocate presented, by His Majesty's Command,—Copy of Ninth Report to the Secretary for Scotland by the Board of Trustees for the National Galleries of Scotland, for the year ending 31st March 1916.

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

The Right Honourable Henry Edward Duke, K.C., Member for the Borough of Exeter, was sworn.

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.

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 passed a Bill, intituled An Act to consolidate and simplify the Law relating to Larceny triable on indictment and kindred offences; to which the Lords desire the concurrence of this House.

Dr. Macnamara, supported by Mr. Pretyman, presented a Bill to authorise the recovery of Salvage in respect of services rendered by certain Ships belonging to His Majesty; 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, 1916-17.

Class VI.

Motion made, and Question proposed, That a sum not exceeding £1,150 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 1917 for the Salaries of the Vice-Chairman of the Statutory Committee of the Royal Patriotic Fund Corporation:

Whereupon Motion made, and Question proposed, That a sum not exceeding £1,050 be granted for the said Service—(Mr. Hogye)—:

Motion, by leave, withdrawn.

Original 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 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 (Exchequer Bonds) Amendment Bill.

(In the Committee.)

Clauses No. 1 and No. 2 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 read the third time to-morrow.

The Order of the day being read, for the Municipal Second Reading of the Municipal Savings Banks (War Loan Investment) (No. 2) Bill.

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

The Order of the day being read, for the Law and Procedure (Emergency Provisions) (Ireland) Bill;

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

The Order of the day being read, for the Dublin Reconstruction (Emergency Provisions) Bill;

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

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

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

The Order of the day being read, for the Time Second Reading of the Time (Ireland) Bill;

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

The Order of the day being read, for the Government Second Reading of the Government of India (Amendment) 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 22nd 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 twenty-seven minutes
after Eleven of the clock, adjourned till
7th August 1916.

to-morrow.

Wednesday, 9th August 1916.

PRAYERS.

Mr. McKinnon Wood presented, by His
Majesty's Command,—Copy of Adminis-
trative Concessions to Old Age Pensioners.

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

Mr. Secretary Bonar Law presented, by His
Majesty's Command,—Copy of Colonial Rep-
port, No. 886 (Zanzibar, Annual Report for
1915).

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 Amendments
made by this House to the Yeadon Water Bill
[Lords], without any Amendment.

The Lords have agreed to the Amendments
made by this House to the River Glen Bill
[Lords], without any Amendment.

The Lords have passed a Bill, intituled An
Act to provide for the Registration of firms and
persons carrying on Business under Business
Names; to which the Lords desire the concur-
rence of this House.

The Lords have passed a Bill, intituled An
Act to confer further powers upon the Shrop-
shire, Worcestershire, and Staffordshire Electric
Power Company, and for other purposes; to
which the Lords desire the concurrence of this
House.

The Shropshire, Worcestershire, and Stafford-
shire Electric Power Bill [Lords] was read the
first time.

Ordered, That the Bill be referred to the
Examiners of Petitions for Private Bills.

Ordered, That the Amendment made by the
Lords to the Special Commissions (Dardanelles
and Mesopotamia) Bill be taken into considera-
 tion upon Monday next; and then printed.

Mr. Pemberton Billing, Member for the County
of Hertford (Eastern or Hertford Division),
rose in his place and asked leave to move the
adjournment of the House for the purpose of
discussing a definite matter of urgent public
importance, viz., the deaths of the woman and
children killed in the enemy Air Raid last night,
and the still inadequate state of our air defence;

but the pleasure of the House not having been
signified, Mr. Speaker called on those Members
who supported the Motion to rise in their places,
and less than Forty Members having accordingly
risen, the House proceeded to the Business of
that day.

A Motion was made, and the Question was
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proposed, That the proceedings on Government the House
Business be not interrupted this night under the
Standing Order (Sittings of the House), and
may be entered upon at any hour though
opposed—(Mr. Secretary Lloyd George):—And
the said Motion was, with leave of the House,
withdrawn.

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

Whereupon Mr. Deputy Speaker, pursuant to
Standing Order (Sittings of the House), and

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

Whereupon Mr. Deputy Speaker, pursuant to
the Order of the House, the House

Accordingly the House, having con-

Resolved to be reported.

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Motion made, and Question proposed, That a sum not exceeding £24,789 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 1917 for the Salaries and Expenses of the Offices in His Majesty's General Register House, Edinburgh:

And being Eleven of the clock, the Chairman left the Chair to make his Report to the House.

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

Ordered, That the Report be received to-morrow.

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

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

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 3rd day of this instant August;

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 8th day of this instant August;

Ordered, That the Report be received to-morrow.

The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Dublin Reconstruction (Emergency Provisions) 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 Dublin Reconstruction (Emergency Provisions) Bill;

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

The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Law and Procedure (Emergency Provisions) (Ireland) 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 Dublin Reconstruction (Emergency Provisions) 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 Law and Procedure (Emergency Provisions) (Ireland) 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 Time (Ireland) Bill;

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

The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Municipal Savings Banks (War Loan Investment) (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 War Charities 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 Merchant Shipping (Salvage) Bill;

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 22nd 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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**Thursday, 10th August 1916.**

PRAYERS.

MR. McKINNON WOOD presented, by His Majesty's Command,—Copy of Treasury Minute, dated 20th July 1916, making arrangements for financing the purchase of Sugar and Meat abroad on behalf of His Majesty's Government.

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

The Lord Advocate presented, pursuant to Shops Act, the directions of an Act of Parliament,—Copy 1912, of Order made under the Shops Act, 1912, by the Council of the undermentioned Local Authority, and confirmed by the Secretary for Scotland:—

Burgh of Perth.

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 number of Experiments on Living Animals during the year 1915, under licences granted under the 39 & 40 Vict. c. 77, distinguishing the nature of the Experiments (in continuation of Parliamentary Paper, No. 326 of Session 1914–16).—(Mr. Bruce.)

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 Army Act (Amendment) Bill, without any Amendment.
The Lords have agreed to the Trading with the Enemy (Copyright) (No. 2) Bill, without any Amendment.

Mr. Pretyman, supported by Mr. Runciman and Dr. Macnamara, presented a Bill to amend and extend the British Ships (Transfer Restriction) Act, 1915: And the same was ordered to be read a second time upon Monday next; and to be printed.

Ordered, That, notwithstanding anything in Standing Order No. 15, Supplementary Estimates for new Services, Army and Army Ordinance Factories Excess Estimates, 1914–15, and Navy Excess Estimate, 1914–15, may be considered in Committee of Supply this day, and that Business other than Business of Supply may be taken before Eleven of the clock; and that the proceedings on Government Business be not interrupted this night under the Standing Order (Sittings of the House), and may be entered upon at any hour though opposed.—(The Prime Minister.)

The Lords have agreed to the Royal Assent to several Acts, as follow:

2. Trading with the Enemy (Copyright) Act, 1916.
5. Gore's Divorce Act, 1916.

Then the House again resolved itself into the Supply Committee of Supply.

Question again proposed, That Item A be reduced by £100:—Motion, by leave, withdrawn.

Original Question put, and agreed to.

Class I.

2. £95,000 (Supplementary) in respect of Insurance and Labour Exchange Buildings, Great Britain.
3. £1,431 for maintaining certain Harbours under the Board of Trade, and for Grants in Aid of Harbours.
4. £14,000 for constructing a new Harbour of Refuge at Peterhead.
5. £488,500 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.
6. £101,354 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.

Class II.

7. £41,867 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.
8. £29,888 for the Salaries and Expenses of the Offices of the House of Lords.
9. £200,162 for the Salaries and Expenses of the House of Commons.
10. £166,801 for the Salaries and Expenses of the Office of His Majesty's Secretary of State for the Home Department and subordinate Offices.
11. £36,371 for the Salaries and Expenses of the Department of His Majesty's Secretary of State for Foreign Affairs.
12. £5,631 for the Salaries and Expenses of the Department of His Majesty's Most Honourable Privy Council.
14. £72,634 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.
15. £5 for meeting the deficiency of Income from Fees, &c. for the requirements of the Board of Trade under the Bankruptcy Act, 1914.
17. £15,383 for the Salaries and Expenses of the Department of the Government Chemist.
18. £25,866 for the Salaries and Expenses of the Civil Service Commission.
19. £41,720 for the Salaries and Expenses of the Department of the Comptroller and Auditor General.
20. £12,337 for the Salaries and Expenses of the Registry of Friendly Societies.
21. £43,092 for the Salaries and Expenses of the Board of Control (Lunacy and Mental Deficiency), England.
22. £16 for the Salaries and Expenses of the Mint, including the Expenses of Coinage, and for the Expenses of the preparation of Medals, Dies for Postage and other Stamps, and His Majesty's Seals.
23. £7,439 for the Salaries and Expenses of the National Debt Office.
24. £12,993 for the Salaries and Expenses of the Public Record Office, and of the Office of Land Revenue Records and Involvements.
25. £4,000 for the Salaries and Expenses of the Establishment under the Public Works Loan Commissioners.
27. £767,859 for Stationery, Printing, Paper, Binding, and Printed Books for the Public Service; for the Salaries and Expenses of the Stationery Office, and for sundry Miscellaneous Services, including Reports of Parliamentary Debates.
29. £320,000 (including a Supplementary sum of £300,000) for His Majesty's Foreign and other Secret Services.
30. £1,784 for the Salaries and Expenses of the House of the Lord Lieutenant of Ireland.
32. £73,170 for the Salaries and Expenses of the Department of Agriculture and other Industries and Technical Instruction for Ireland, and of the Services administered by that Department, including sundry Grants in Aid.
33. £1,243 for the Salaries and Expenses of the Office of the Commissioners of Charitable Donations and Bequests for Ireland.
34. £105,750 for the Congested Districts Board for Ireland, including sundry Grants in Aid.
35. £65,028 for the Salaries and Expenses of the Local Government Board, Ireland, including sundry Grants in Aid.
36. £3,830 for the Salaries and Expenses of the Public Record Office in Ireland, and of the Keeper of State Papers in Dublin.
37. £24,871 for the Salaries and Expenses of the Office of Public Works in Ireland.
38. £8,860 for the Salaries and Expenses of the Department of the Registrar General of Births, Deaths, and Marriages in Ireland, and for the Expenses of collecting Emigration Statistics in Ireland.
39. £14,672 for the Salaries and Expenses of the General Valuation and Boundary Survey of Ireland.
40. £35,038 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.
41. £10,404 for certain Miscellaneous Legal Services, including Grants in Aid of the Expenses of the Incorporated Law Societies of England and Ireland.
42. £177,416 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.
43. £53,147 for the Salaries and Expenses of the Office of Land Registry.
44. £5 for the Salaries and Expenses of the Office of Public Trustee.
45. £65,174 for the Salaries and Expenses connected with the County Courts.
46. £38,282 for the Salaries of the Commissioner and Assistant Commissioners of the Metropolitan Police, and of the Receiver for the Metropolitan Police District, the Contributions towards 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.
47. £280,090 for the Expenses of the Prisons in England, Wales, and the Colonies, including a Grant in Aid of certain Expenses connected with discharged Prisoners.
48. £165,384 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.
49. £28,524 for the maintenance of Criminal Lunatics in the Criminal Lunatic Asylums at Broadmoor and Rampton.
50. £24,789 for the Salaries and Expenses of the Offices in His Majesty's General Register House, Edinburgh.
51. £50,635 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.
52. £32,911 for Criminal Prosecutions and other Law Charges in Ireland, including a Grant in relief of certain Expenses payable by statute out of Local Rates.
53. £67,470 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.
55. £66,284 for the Salaries, Allowances, and Expenses of various County Court Officers and of Magistrates in Ireland, and the Expenses of Revision.
56. £39,293 (including a Supplementary sum of £100) for the Salaries and Expenses of the Commissioner of Police, the Police Courts, and the Metropolitan Police Establishment of Dublin.
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<td>£729,775 (including a Supplementary sum of £400) for the Expenses of the Royal Irish Constabulary.</td>
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<td>£65,180 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.</td>
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<td>£48,788 for the Expenses of Reformatory and Industrial Schools in Ireland.</td>
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<td>£4,740 for the maintenance of Criminal Lunatics in the Dundrum Criminal Lunatic Asylum, Ireland.</td>
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<td>£68,599 for the Salaries and other Expenses of the British Museum, and of the Natural History Museum, including certain Grants in Aid.</td>
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<td>£8,489 for the Salaries and Expenses of the National Gallery, and of the National Gallery of British Art, Millbank.</td>
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<td>£1,485 for the Salaries and Expenses of the National Portrait Gallery.</td>
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<td>£2,591 for the Salaries and Expenses of the Wallace Collection.</td>
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<td>£1,570 for the Salaries and Expenses in respect of the London Museum, Lancaster House.</td>
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<td>£66,671 for sundry Grants in Aid of Scientific Investigation, &amp;c., and other Grants.</td>
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<td>£211,300 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.</td>
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<td>£832,704 for the Expenses of the Commissioners of National Education in Ireland, including Grants in Aid of the Teachers' Pension Fund, Ireland.</td>
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<td>£40,000 for the Grant towards the Salaries of Teachers in Secondary Schools in Ireland.</td>
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<td>£505 for the Expenses of the Office of the Commissioners for managing certain School Establishments in Ireland.</td>
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<td>£846 for the Salaries and Expenses of the National Gallery of Ireland.</td>
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<td>£124,453 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.</td>
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<td>£59,000 for Grants under the Irish Universities Act, 1898.</td>
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<td>£506,197 for sundry Colonial Services, including certain Grants in Aid.</td>
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<td>£12,875 for Subsidies to certain Telegraph Companies.</td>
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<td>£3,219 for making good certain sums written off from the Assets of the Local Loans Fund.</td>
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<td>£5,000 for the Ireland Development Grant (Grant in Aid).</td>
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<td>£27,311 to repay to the Civil Continuances Fund certain Miscellaneous Advances.</td>
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<td>£7,654,000 for the payment of Old Age Pensions in the United Kingdom, and for certain administrative Expenses in connection therewith.</td>
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<td>£518,262 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.</td>
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<td>£15,307 for making good the deficiency on the Income Account of the Fund for Friendly Societies.</td>
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<td>£900 for the Expenses of the Ministry of Munitions.</td>
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98. £1,000 to defray the Expense of Grants, Pay, Allowances, Training, and Miscellaneous Charges of the Territorial Force and Channel Islands and Colonial Militia, including the Expense of Permanent Staff.

99. £1,000 to defray the Expense of Establishments for Military Education.

100. £1,000 to defray the Expense of Quartering, Transport, and Remounts.

101. £1,000 to defray the Expense of Supplies and Clothing.

102. £1,000 to defray the Expense of Ordnance Department Establishments and of General Stores.

103. £1,000 to defray the Expense of Engineer Stores and Aviation, including Technical Committees.

104. £1,000 to defray the Expense of Works, Buildings, and Repairs, Lands, and Miscellaneous Engineer Services, including Staff in connection therewith.

105. £1,000 to defray the Expense of Miscellaneous Effective Services.

106. £1,000 to defray the Expense of Rewards, Half Pay, Retired Pay, Widows' Pensions, and other Non-effective Charges for Officers.

107. £1,000 to defray the Expense of Chelsea and Kilmainham Hospitals; of Out-Pensions; Rewards for Distinguished Services; Widows' Pensions, and other Non-effective Charges for Warrant Officers, Non-commissioned Officers, and Men, &c.

108. £1,000 to defray the Expense of Civil Superannuation, Compensation, and additional Allowances, Gratuities, Injury Grants, &c.


109. £1,000 to defray the Expense of Victualling and Clothing for the Navy, including the cost of Victualling Establishments at Home and Abroad.

110. £1,000 to defray the Expense of Medical Services, including the cost of Medical Establishments at Home and Abroad.

111. £1,000 to defray the Expense of Civilian employed on Fleet Services.

112. £1,000 to defray the Expense of Educational Services.

113. £1,000 to defray the Expense of Scientific Services.

114. £1,000 to defray the Expense of the Royal Naval Reserve, the Royal Fleet Reserve, and the Royal Naval Volunteers, &c.

115. £1,000 to defray the Expense of the Personal for Shipbuilding, Repairs, Maintenance, &c. at Dockyards and Naval Yards at Home and Abroad.

116. £1,000 to defray the Expense of the Matériel for Shipbuilding, Repairs, Maintenance, &c. at Dockyards and Naval Yards at Home and Abroad.

117. £1,000 to defray the Expense of the Contract Work for Shipbuilding, Repairs, &c.

118. £1,000 to defray the Expense of Naval Armaments.

119. £1,000 to defray the Expense of Works, Buildings, and Repairs at Home and Abroad, including the cost of Superintendence, Purchase of Sites, Grants in Aid, and other charges connected therewith.

120. £1,000 to defray the Expense of various Miscellaneous Effective Services.

121. £1,000 to defray the Expense of the Admiralty Office.

122. £1,000 to defray the Expense of Half Pay and Retired Pay to Officers of the Navy and Marines.

123. £1,000 to defray the Expense of Naval and Marine Pensions, Gratuities, and Compassionate Allowances.

124. £1,000 to defray the Expense of Civil Superannuation, Compensation Allowances and Gratuities.

125. £10 to make good excesses of Army Expenditure beyond the Grants for the year ended on the 31st day of March 1915.

126. £10 to make good excesses of Army (Ordnance Factories) Expenditure beyond the Grants for the year ended on the 31st day of March 1915.

127. £100 to make good excesses of Navy Expenditure beyond the Grants for the year ended on the 31st day of March 1915.

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 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 [3rd August] the 9th day of this instant August.

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 [3rd August] the 3rd day of this instant August.

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 [3rd August] the 8th day of this instant August.

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.

The Anglo-Portuguese Commercial Treaty 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 Government of India (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. James Hope.)
The Merchant Shipping (Salvage) 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. James Hope.)

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

Clause No. 1 (Prohibition against raising money for war charities unless registered).

Another Amendment proposed, in p. 1, l. 11, to leave out the words “committee or other governing body,” in order to insert the words “the governing body or a committee or sub-committee.”—(Mr. Pennefather.)

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

Another Amendment made.

Clause No. 2 (Registration of war charities).

Amendment proposed, in p. 1, l. 18, at the end, to insert the words—

“(as respects all charities providing similar relief to that obtained under any Government scheme of pensions be the statutory committee.”

—(Mr. Hogge.)

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 “section,” to insert the words “or falsely represents himself as being an official or agent of a war charity.”—(Mr. Pennefather.)

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

Another Amendment made.

Clause, as amended, agreed to.

Clause No. 3 amended, and agreed to.

Clause No. 4 (Regulations).

An Amendment made.

Another Amendment proposed, in p. 1, l. 24, to leave out the word “county,” in order to insert the word “district.”—(Mr. Aneurin Williams.)

Question proposed, That the word “county” stand part of the Clause:—Amendment, by leave, withdrawn.

Other Amendments made.

Clause, as amended, agreed to.

Clause No. 5 amended, and agreed to.

Clause No. 6 (Powers as to unregistered war charities).

Amendment proposed, in p. 3, l. 28, to leave out the words “fee (not exceeding ten shillings),” in order to insert the words “annual fee as, in the opinion of the Charity Commissioners, will be sufficient to cover the expenses of the registration authority under this Act.”—(Sir Edwin Cornwall.)

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. 6 amended, and agreed to.

Clause No. 7 (Powers as to unregistered war charities).

Amendment proposed, in p. 4, l. 41, after the word “representation,” to insert the words “or if any person falsely represents himself to be an officer or agent of a registered charity.”—(Mr. Bruce.)

Question proposed, That those words be there inserted:

Amendment proposed to the proposed Amendment, to leave out the word “an,” in order to insert the words “a duly authorised.”—(Mr. Pennefather.)

Question proposed, That the word “an” stand part of the proposed Amendment:—Amendment to the proposed Amendment, by leave, withdrawn.

Proposed Amendment amended, by leaving out the word “registered,” and inserting the word “war.”—(Mr. Bruce.)

Proposed words, as amended, there inserted.

Clauses No. 8 and No. 9 agreed to.

Clauses No. 10 and No. 11 amended, and agreed to.

A Clause (Powers as to unregistered war charities)—(Mr. Bruce)—brought up, and read the first and second time, and amended, in l. 3 and 5, after the word “being,” by inserting the words “or has not been”—(Mr. Pennefather); and in l. 4, after the word “complying,” by inserting the words “or has not complied.”—(Mr. Aneurin Williams.)

Clause, as amended, added to the Bill.

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 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 Clause 1.—(Mr. Rawlinson.)

And the Question being proposed, That the words “It shall not be lawful” stand part of the Bill:—The said proposed Amendment was, with leave of the House, withdrawn.

Ordered, That the further consideration of the Bill, as amended, be now adjourned.—(Mr. Bruce.)

Ordered, That the Bill, as amended in the Bill 89, Committee, be taken into further consideration upon Monday next; and be printed.

The Order of the day being read, for the Small Holding Committee on the Small Holding Colonies Bill Colonies 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 Defence of the Realm (Acquisition of Land) 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 Dublin Reconstruction (Emergency Provisions) Bill;

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

The Order of the day being read, for the Law and Procedure (Emergency Provisions) (Ireland) Bill;
Resolved, That this House will, upon Wednesday next, resolve itself into the said Committee.

The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Time (Ireland) Bill;

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

The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Municipal Savings Banks (War Loan Investment) (No. 2) Bill;

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

A Motion being made, That this House will, upon Monday next, resolve itself into a Committee to consider of authorising the payment, in certain cases, out of the Revenues of India, of a retiring allowance to the Auditor of the Accounts of the Secretary of State for India in Council and his assistants, and of a gratuity to the legal representatives of the said Auditor and his assistants, under any Act of the present Session to amend certain enactments relating to the Government of India, and to remove doubts as to the validity of certain Orders in Council made for India.—(Mr. Charles Roberts);

Mr. McKean 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, upon Monday next, resolve itself into the said Committee.

Whereupon Mr. Deputy Speaker, pursuant to the Order of the House of the 22nd 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 seven minutes after Ten of the clock, adjourned till Monday next, pursuant to the Order of the House of the 22nd day of February last.

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PRAYERS.

Mr. Speaker laid upon the Table, Report of the Committee on the Administration of British Prisoners of War and Interned Civilians in Germany (in continuation of Miscellaneous, No. 16, 1916).

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

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 Newcastle-upon-Tyne and Gateshead upon-Tyne Gas Bill [Lords], as amended in Committee.

Ordered, That Standing Orders 223 and 243 be suspended, and that the Bill be now read the third time.—(The Chairman of Ways and Means.)

The Bill was accordingly read the third time and passed, with Amendments.

Ordered, That the Clerk do carry the Bill to the Lords; and acquaint them that this House hath agreed to the same, with Amendments; to which this House doth desire the concurrence of their Lordships.

The Craven Estates Bill [Lords] was read a Craven Estates second time, and committed.


Copy of further Correspondence with the Prisoners United States Ambassador respecting the treatment of British Prisoners of War and Interned (Miscellaneous, No. 26, 1916.) Civilians in Germany.

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

Mr. Secretary Bonar Law presented, by Colonial His Majesty's Command,—Copy of Interim Report of the Committee on the Administration and Command of the Royal Flying Corps, &c.

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. 887 (Fiji, Report for 1915), 888 (Sierra Leone, Report for 1915), and 889 (Turks and Caicos Islands, Report for 1915).

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

Mr. McKean Wood presented, by His Federated Majesty's Command, —Copy of Treasury Minute, dated 10th August 1916, as to the application of proceeds of Local War Loan raised by the Federated Malay States.

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

Mr. Acland presented, pursuant to the direction of British Government, Three Orders under the Destructive Insects and Pests Acts, numbered D.I.P. 366-368, inclusive, declaring the areas described in the Schedules thereto to be infected with American Gooseberry Mildew, and infected areas for the purposes of the American Gooseberry Mildew (Infected Areas) Order of 1915.

Ordered, That the said Paper do lie upon the Table.
Mr. Secretary Samuel presented,—Return to an Address to His Majesty, dated the 10th day of this instant August, for a Return relative to Experiments on Living Animals.

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

The following Paper, pursuant to the directions of an Act of Parliament, was laid upon the Table by the Clerk of the House:


Mr. Hugh Law, Member for West Donegal, rose in his place and asked leave to move the adjournment of the House for the purpose of discussing a definite matter of urgent public importance, viz., the continuance of the arrests of numbers of Irish Migratory Labourers in Scotland, contrary to the provisions of the Military Service Act, and to the pledges given by Members of His Majesty's Government, their ill-use by the police, and the consequent dislocation of harvest work and the retarding of urgently needed munition factories; and to move the pleasure of the House having been signified, the Motion stood over, under Standing Order (Sittings of the House), and may be entered upon at any hour though the Standing Order (Sittings of the House) having been signified, the Motion stood over, under Standing Order No. 10, till a quarter of an hour after Eight of the clock this evening.

Ordered, That the proceedings on Government Business be not interrupted this night under the Standing Order (Sittings of the House), and may be entered upon at any hour though opposed.—(The Prime Minister.)

Ordered, That leave be given to bring in a Bill to amend the Parliament and Registration Act, 1916, and to extend the Elections and Registration Act, 1915, with respect to Elections of Local Authorities and other bodies, and the revision of jurors' lists in Ireland: And that the Prime Minister, Mr. Long, Mr. Solicitor General, and Mr. Hayes Fisher do prepare and bring in it.

Mr. Solicitor General accordingly presented a Bill to amend the Parliament and Registration Act, 1916, and to extend the Elections and Registration Acts, 1915, with respect to Elections of Local Authorities and other bodies, and the revision of jurors' lists in Ireland: And that the Prime Minister, Mr. Long, Mr. Solicitor General, and Mr. Hayes Fisher do prepare and bring in it.

Parliament and Local Elections.

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Ordered, That the proceedings on Government Business be not interrupted this night under the Standing Order (Sittings of the House), and may be entered upon at any hour though opposed.—(The Prime Minister.)

Another Amendment proposed, in p. 5, l. 3, to leave out the word "two," in order to insert the word "seven."—(Mr. Morton.)

Question proposed, That the word "two" stand part of the Clause:

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

The Committee divided.

Tellers for the Yeas, [Mr. Pringle,
[Mr. Raffan: 29.

Tellers for the [Mr. Gulland,
[Noes, Lord Edmund Talbot:] 159.

Question put, That the word "two" stand part of the Clause.

The Committee divided.

Tellers for the [Mr. Gulland,
[Noes, Lord Edmund Talbot:] 144.

Tellers for the [Mr. Morton,
[Noes, Mr. Macpherson: 44.

Another Amendment proposed, in p. 5, l. 5, after the word "acres," to insert the words "provided that the two thousand acres so acquired shall to the extent of three-fourths thereof consist of arable land."—(Mr. Pringle.)

Question proposed, That those words be there inserted:

Amendment amended, in the last line, by leaving out the word "arable," and by adding, after the word "land," the words "suitable to be cultivated as arable land."—(Mr. Pringle.)

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

Another Amendment proposed, in p. 5, l. 5, at the end, to add the words Subsection (6) of section thirty-one of the Small Landholders (Scotland) Act, 1911 (which relates to the valuation for rating purposes of small holdings within the meaning of that Act), shall apply to any small holding constituted under this Act as if the holder of such small holding were a landholder within the meaning of that Act."—(Mr. Dundas White.)

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

Clause, as amended, agreed to.

Clause No. 11 agreed to.

And it being a quarter of an hour after Eight of the clock, and leave having been given to move, the adjournment of the House under Standing Order No. 10, further proceeding was postponed without Question put.

A Motion was made, and the Question was put, That this House do now adjourn.—(Mr. Hugh Law): And the said Motion was with leave of the House, withdrawn.

The postponed proceeding on consideration of the Small Holding Colonies Bill [Lords] in Committee was resumed.

A Clause (Expenses and receipts of Board)—(Mr. Acland)—brought up, and read the first and second time, and added to the Bill.

Another Clause (Particulars of valuations to be ascertained and recorded)—(Mr. Dundas White)—brought up, and read the first and second time, amended, and added to the Bill.

Another Clause (Determination of rent)—(Mr. Cecil Harmsworth)—brought up, and read the first time.
Motion made, and Question, That the Clause be read a second time, put, and negatived.

Another Clause (Purchase of small holdings) —(Mr. Lewis Haslam)—brought up, and read the first time.

Motion made, and Question proposed, That the Clause be read a second time:

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Question put, and negatived.

Another Clause (Automatic check on excessive rents and prices)—(Commander Wedgwood)—brought up, and read the first time.

Motion made, and Question, That the Clause be read a second time, put, and negatived.

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 taken into consideration this day; and be printed.

The House, according to Order, resolved itself into a Committee on the Merchant Shipping (Salvage) Bill.

(In the Committee.)

Clauses No. 1 and No. 2 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 House, according to Order, proceeded to take into further consideration the War Charities 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. 18, by leaving out sub-section (2).—(Mr. Penneyfather.)

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 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 Government of India (Amendment) Bill [Lords] ;

Resolved, That this House will, this day, resolve itself into the said Committee.

The Order of the day being read, according to Order, read a second time.

Ordered, That the Bill be committed to a Committee of the whole House for this day.—(Mr. Rea.)
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Rhodes Estate Bill [Lords.]

The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Rhodes Estate Bill [Lords.];

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

Craven Estates Bill [Lords.] Ordered, That in the case of the Craven Estates Bill [Lords.] Standing Order 211 be suspended, and that the Committee on unopposed Bills have leave to sit and proceed with the Bill forthwith.—(The Chairman of Ways and Means.)

Universities of Oxford and Cambridge Act, 1877 (Oxford.)

Mr. Arthur Henderson presented, pursuant to the directions of an Act of Parliament,—Copy of Statute made by the University of Oxford under the Universities of Oxford and Cambridge Act, 1877, on 14th March 1916, and sealed on 4th May 1916, amending Subsection 16 of Section II. of Title IV. of the Statutes of the University ("concerning Dr. Lee's Professors").

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

Crown Agents for the Colonies.

Mr. Secretary Bonar Law presented, by His Majesty's Command, Copy of Accounts of the Crown Agents' Office Funds for 1915.

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

Craven Estates Bill [Lords.]

The Chairman of Ways and Means reported the Craven Estates Bill [Lords.], without Amendment.

Ordered, That the Table be read the third time.

Larceny Bill [Lords.] Bill 93.

Message from the Lords.

Mr. Speaker acquainted the House that a Message had been brought from the Lords by Mr. Arthur Henderson pursuant to Standing Order No. 15, the Reports of Supply of the 10th day of August 1916, may be considered before Ten of the clock this day; and that the proceedings on Government Business be not interrupted this night under the Standing Order (Sittings of the House), and may be entered upon at any hour though opposed.—(The Prime Minister.)

Mr. Rea reported from the Committee of Supply Supply of the 10th day of August 1916, several Resolutions; which were read, as follows:

Civil Services and Revenue Departments Estimates, 1916-17.

Class II.

1. That a sum not exceeding £74,457 be Treasury, 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 1917 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.

Class III.

2. That a Supplementary sum not exceeding Insurance and Labour £95,000 be granted to His Majesty, to defray Buildings, the charge which will come in course of payment during the year ending on the 31st day of March 1917 in respect of Insurance and Labour Buildings, Great Britain.

3. That a sum not exceeding £1,451 be Harbours 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 1917 for maintaining certain Harbours under the Board of Trade, and for Grants in Aid of Harbours.

4. That a sum not exceeding £14,000 be Peterhead 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 1917 for constructing a new Harbour of Refuge at Peterhead.

5. That a sum not exceeding £488,500 be Rates on Harbours 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 1917 for Rates and Contributions in lieu of Rates, &c., 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.

6. That a sum not exceeding £101,354 be Public Works 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 1917 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.

7. That a sum not exceeding £41,867 be Railways, 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 1917 for the Salaries and other Expenses 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.

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8. That a sum not exceeding £22,288 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 1917 for the Salaries and Expenses of the Offices of the House of Lords.

9. That a sum not exceeding £800,169 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 1917 for the Salaries and Expenses of the House of Commons.

10. That a sum not exceeding £166,801 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 1917 for the Salaries and Expenses of the Department of the Board of Trade under the Bankruptcy and Audit Department.

11. That a sum not exceeding £6,271 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 1917 for the Salaries and Expenses of the Department of His Majesty's Secretary of State for Foreign Affairs.

12. That a sum not exceeding £6,631 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 1917 for the Salaries and Expenses of the Privy Council Office.

13. That a sum not exceeding £180,011 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 1917 for the Salaries and Expenses of the Office of the Committee of Privy Council for Trade and subordinate Departments.

14. That a sum not exceeding £72,634 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 1917 for the Salaries and Expenses of the Mercantile Marine Fund, and other Services connected with the Mercantile Marine, including Merchant Seamen's Fund Pensions.

15. 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 1917 for meeting the deficiency of Income from Fees, &c. for the requirements of the Board of Trade under the Bankruptcy Act, 1914.

16. That a sum not exceeding £15,777 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 1917 for the Salaries and Expenses of the Charity Commission for England and Wales.

17. That a sum not exceeding £15,383 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 1917 for the Salaries and Expenses of the Department of the Government Chemist.

18. That a sum not exceeding £28,596 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 1917 for the Salaries and Expenses of the Civil Service Commission.

19. That a sum not exceeding £1,720 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 1917 for the Salaries and Expenses of the Department of the Comptroller and Auditor General.

20. That a sum not exceeding £12,337 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 1917 for the Salaries and Expenses of the Charity Commission.

21. That a sum not exceeding £43,922 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 1917 for the Salaries and Expenses of the Board of Control (Lunacy and Mental Deficiency), England.

22. That a sum not exceeding £46 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 1917 for the Salaries and Expenses of the Board of Control (Mint), including the Expenses of Coinage, and for the Expenses of the preparation of Medals, Dies for Postage and other Stamps, and His Majesty's Seals.

23. That a sum not exceeding £7,439 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 1917 for the Salaries and Expenses of the National Debt Office.

24. That a sum not exceeding £12,995 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 1917 for the Salaries and Expenses of the Public Record Office, and of the Office of Land Revenue Records and Involvements.

25. That a sum not exceeding £4,000 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 1917 for the Salaries and Expenses of the Establishment under the Public Works Loan Commissioners.

26. That a sum not exceeding £56,715 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 1917 for the Salaries and Expenses of the Registrar General of Births, &c. in England.

27. That a sum not exceeding £76,059 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 1917 for Stationery, Printing, Paper, Binding, and Printed Books for the Public Service; for the Salaries and Expenses of the Stationery Office, and for sundry Miscellaneous Services, including Reports of Parliamentary Debates.

28. That a sum not exceeding £12,150 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 1917 for the Salaries and Expenses of the Registry of Friendly Societies.

29. That a sum not exceeding £1,688 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 1917 for the Salaries and Expenses of the Board of Control (Lunacy and Mental Deficiency), Scotland.
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the 31st day of March 1917 for the Salaries and Expenses of the Department of the Registrar General of Births, Deaths, and Marriages, and for the Expenses of collecting Emigration Statistics, in Ireland.

39. That a sum not exceeding £14,672 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 1917 for the Salaries and Expenses of the General Valuation and Boundary Survey of Ireland.

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40. That a sum not exceeding £5,038 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 1917 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.

41. That a sum not exceeding £10,404 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 1917 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.

42. That a sum not exceeding £177,416 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 1917 for the Salaries and Expenses of the General Valuation and Boundary Survey of Ireland.

43. That a sum not exceeding £65,174 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 1917 for the Salaries and Expenses of the Local Government Board, Ireland, including sundry Grants in Aid.

44. 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 1917 for the Salaries and Expenses of the Office of the Commissioner for Lands, and of Parliamentary Agency.

45. That a sum not exceeding £65,174 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 1917 for the Salaries and Expenses connected with the County Courts.

46. That a sum not exceeding £56,282 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 1917 for the Salaries of the Commissioners 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 Expenses of the Office of the Inspector of Constabulary, and Expenses in connection with Special Constables and the Police Reserve.

47. That a sum not exceeding £280,090 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 1917 for the Expenses of the General Valuation and Boundary Survey of Ireland.
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...of the Prisons in England, Wales, and the Colonies, including a Grant in Aid of certain Expenses connected with discharged Prisoners.

48. That a sum not exceeding £165,384 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 1917 for the Salaries and Expenses of the Office of the Inspector of Reformatory, Industrial, and Day Industrial Schools, and in Places of Detention under the Children Act, in Great Britain.

49. That a sum not exceeding £28,524 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 1917 for the maintenance of Criminal Lunatics in the Criminal Lunatic Asylums at Broadmoor and Rampton.

50. That a sum not exceeding £24,789 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 1917 for the Salaries and Expenses of the Office of the General Register House, Edinburgh.

51. That a sum not exceeding £60,635 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 1917 for the Salaries and Expenses of the Prison Commissioners for Scotland, and of the Prisons under their control, including the maintenance of Criminal Lunatics, Defective and Lunatic Asylums of the State Inebriate Reformatory, and the preparation of Judicial Statistics.

52. That a sum not exceeding £32,911 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 1917 for Criminal Prosecutions and other Law Charges in Ireland, including a Grant in relief of certain Expenses payable by statute out of Local Rates.

53. That a sum not exceeding £57,570 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 1917 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.

54. That a sum not exceeding £43,918 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 1917 for the Salaries and Expenses of the Office of the Irish Land Commission.

55. That a sum not exceeding £68,884 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 1917 for the Salaries, Allowances, and Expenses of various County Court Officers and of Magistrates in Ireland, and the Expenses of Revision.

56. That a sum not exceeding £39,293 (including a Supplementary sum of £100) 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 1917 for the Salaries and Expenses of the Commissioner of Police, the Police Courts, and the Metropolitan Police Establishment of Dublin.

57. That a sum not exceeding £729,775 (inclusive of a Supplementary sum of £400) 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 1917 for the Expenses of the Royal Irish Constabulary.

58. That a sum not exceeding £55,190 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 1917 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.

59. That a sum not exceeding £49,788 be granted to His Majesty, to complete the sum necessary to defray the charge which will come in course of payment during the year ending on the 31st day of March 1917 for the Salaries and Expenses of the Reformatory and Industrial Asylums, England.

60. That a sum not exceeding £4,740 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 1917 for the maintenance of Criminal Lunatics in the Dundrum Criminal Lunatic Asylum, Ireland.

Class IV.

61. That a sum not exceeding £5,756,732 be Board 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 1917 for the Salaries and Expenses of the Board of Education, and of the various Establishments connected therewith, including sundry Grants in Aid.

62. That a sum not exceeding £88,599 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 1917 for the Salaries and other Expenses of the British Museum, and of the National History Museum, including certain Grants in Aid.

63. That a sum not exceeding £6,489 be National 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 1917 for the Salaries and Expenses of the National Portrait Gallery, and of the National Gallery of British Art, Millbank.

64. That a sum not exceeding £1,485 be National 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 1917 for the Salaries and Expenses of the National Portrait Gallery.

65. That a sum not exceeding £2,591 be Wallace 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 1917 for the Salaries and Expenses of the Wallace Collection.

66. That a sum not exceeding £1,570 be London Museum 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 1917 for the Salaries and Expenses in respect of the London Museum, Lancaster House.
67. That a sum not exceeding £66,671 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 1917 for sundry Grants in Aid of Scientific Investigation, &c., and other Grants.

68. That a Supplementary sum not exceeding £20,000 be granted to His Majesty, to defray the charge which will come in course of payment during the year ending on the 31st day of March 1917 for sundry Grants in Aid of Scientific Investigation, &c., and other Grants.

69. That a sum not exceeding £211,200 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 1917 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.

70. That a sum not exceeding £532,704 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 1917 for the Expenses of the Commissioners for managing the National Education in Ireland, and of the Geological Survey of Ireland.

71. That a sum not exceeding £40,000 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 1917 for the Salaries of Medical Referees.

72. That a sum not exceeding £505 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 1917 for the Expenses of the Office of the Commissioners for managing certain School Endowments in Ireland.

73. That a sum not exceeding £845 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 1917 for the Expenses of the National Gallery of Ireland.

74. That a sum not exceeding £124,453 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 1917 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.

75. That a sum not exceeding £59,000 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 1917 for Grants under the Irish Universities Act, 1908.

76. That a sum not exceeding £372,290 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 1917 for sundry Grants in Aid of Scientific Investigation, &c., and other Expenditure chargeable to the Consular Vote.

77. That a sum not exceeding £506,197 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 1917 for sundry Colonial Services.

78. That a sum not exceeding £12,875 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 1917 for Subsidies to certain Telegraph Companies.

79. 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 1917 for a Grant in Aid of the Revenue of the Island of Cyprus.

Class VI.

80. That a sum not exceeding £455,694 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 1917 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.

81. That a sum not exceeding £7,743 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 1917 for sundry Grants in Aid.

82. That a sum not exceeding £778 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 1917 for sundry Grants in Aid.

83. That a sum not exceeding £2,000 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 1917 for sundry Grants in Aid.

84. That a sum not exceeding £3,919 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 1917 for sundry Grants in Aid.

85. That a sum not exceeding £5,000 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 1917 for sundry Grants in Aid.

86. That a sum not exceeding £37,311 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 1917 to repay the Civil Contingencies Fund.

87. That a sum not exceeding £10,000 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 1917.
for Grants to Voluntary Hospitals in respect of Duty on Spirits.

Class VII.

88. That a sum not exceeding £7,854,000 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 1917 for the payment of Old Age Pensions in the United Kingdom, and for certain administrative Expenses in connection therewith.

89. That a sum not exceeding £618,262 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 1917 for the Salaries 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.

90. That a sum not exceeding £42,135 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 1917 for the Salaries and other Expenses of the Highlands and Islands (Medical Service) Board, and for a Grant in Aid of the Highlands and Islands Medical Service.

91. That a sum not exceeding £15,307 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 1917 for the payment of 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.

Ministry of Munitions.

92. That a sum not exceeding £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 1917 for the Salaries and other Expenses of the Ministry of Munitions.

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94. That a sum not exceeding £1,374,315 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 1917 for the Salaries and other Expenses of the Customs and Excise Department.

95. That a sum not exceeding £1,033,350 (including a Supplementary sum of £150,000) 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 1917 for the Salaries and other Expenses of the Customs and Excise Department.

Inland Revenue.

96. That a sum not exceeding £1,000 be granted to His Majesty, to defray the Expense of the Pay, &c. of the Medical Establishment, and of Medicines, &c., which will come in course of payment during the year ending on the 31st day of March 1917.

97. That a sum not exceeding £1,000 be granted to His Majesty, to defray the Expense of Civil Superannuation, Compensation, and Gratuities, and of Civil Superannuation, Compensation, and Gratuities.

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107. That a sum not exceeding £1,000 be granted to His Majesty, to defray the Expense of Civil Superannuation, Compensation, and Gratuities, and of Civil Superannuation, Compensation, and Gratuities.

108. That a sum not exceeding £1,000 be granted to His Majesty, to defray the Expense of Civil Superannuation, Compensation, and Gratuities, and of Civil Superannuation, Compensation, and Gratuities.
payment during the year ending on the 31st day of March 1917.


109. That a sum not exceeding £1,000 be granted to His Majesty, to defray the Expense of Victualling and Clothing for the Navy, including the cost of Victualling Establishments at Home and Abroad, which will come in course of payment during the year ending on the 31st day of March 1917.

Medical Establishments at Home and Abroad.

110. That a sum not exceeding £1,000 be granted to His Majesty, to defray the Expense of Medical Services, including the cost of Medical Establishments at Home and Abroad, which will come in course of payment during the year ending on the 31st day of March 1917.

Civilians employed on Fleet Services.

111. That a sum not exceeding £1,000 be granted to His Majesty, to defray the Expense of Civilians employed on Fleet Services, which will come in course of payment during the year ending on the 31st day of March 1917.

Educational Services.

112. That a sum not exceeding £1,000 be granted to His Majesty, to defray the Expense of Educational Services, which will come in course of payment during the year ending on the 31st day of March 1917.

Scientific Services.

113. That a sum not exceeding £1,000 be granted to His Majesty, to defray the Expense of Scientific Services, which will come in course of payment during the year ending on the 31st day of March 1917.

Royal Naval Reserve.

114. That a sum not exceeding £1,000 be granted to His Majesty, to defray the Expense of the Royal Naval Reserve, the Royal Fleet Reserve, and the Royal Naval Volumes, &c., which will come in course of payment during the year ending on the 31st day of March 1917.

Shipbuilding, Repairs, Maintenance, &c., (Personnel.)

115. That a sum not exceeding £1,000 be granted to His Majesty, to defray the Expense of the Personnel for Shipbuilding, Repairs, Maintenance, &c., at Dockyards and Naval Yards at Home and Abroad, which will come in course of payment during the year ending on the 31st day of March 1917.

Shipbuilding, Repairs, Maintenance, &c., (Material.)

116. That a sum not exceeding £1,000 be granted to His Majesty, to defray the Expense of the Material for Shipbuilding, Repairs, Maintenance, &c., at Dockyards and Naval Yards at Home and Abroad, which will come in course of payment during the year ending on the 31st day of March 1917.

Shipbuilding, Repairs, &c., (Contract Work.)

117. That a sum not exceeding £1,000 be granted to His Majesty, to defray the Expense of the Contract work for Shipbuilding, Repairs, &c., which will come in course of payment during the year ending on the 31st day of March 1917.

Naval Armaments.

118. That a sum not exceeding £1,000 be granted to His Majesty, to defray the Expense of Naval Armaments, which will come in course of payment during the year ending on the 31st day of March 1917.

Works, Buildings, and Repairs at Home and Abroad.

119. That a sum not exceeding £1,000 be granted to His Majesty, to defray the Expense of Works, Buildings, and Repairs at Home and Abroad, including the cost of Superintendence, Purchase of Sites, Grants in Aid, and other Charges connected therewith, which will come in course of payment during the year ending on the 31st day of March 1917.

Miscellaneous Effective Services.

120. That a sum not exceeding £1,000 be granted to His Majesty, to defray the Expense of various Miscellaneous Effective Services, which will come in course of payment during the year ending on the 31st day of March 1917.

121. That a sum not exceeding £1,000 be granted to His Majesty, to defray the Expense of the Admiralty Office, which will come in course of payment during the year ending on the 31st day of March 1917.

122. That a sum not exceeding £1,000 be granted to His Majesty, to defray the Expense of Half Pay and Retired Pay. Half Pay and Retired Pay to Officers of the Navy and Marines, which will come in course of payment during the year ending on the 31st day of March 1917.

123. That a sum not exceeding £1,000 be granted to His Majesty, to defray the Expense of Naval and Marine Pensions, Gratuities, and Compassionate Allowances, which will come in course of payment during the year ending on the 31st day of March 1917.

124. That a sum not exceeding £1,000 be granted to His Majesty, to defray the Expense of Civil Superannuation, Compensation Allowances and Gratuities, which will come in course of payment during the year ending on the 31st day of March 1917.

125. That a sum not exceeding £10 be granted to His Majesty, to make good excesses of Army Expenditure beyond the Grants for the year ended on the 31st day of March 1915.

126. That a sum not exceeding £10 be granted to His Majesty, to make good excesses of Navy Expenditure beyond the Grants for the year ended on the 31st day of March 1915.

127. That a sum not exceeding £100 be granted to His Majesty, to make good excesses of Army Expenditure beyond the Grants for the year ended on the 31st day of March 1915.

The first ninety-one Resolutions, being read a second time, were postponed.

The Ninety-second and subsequent Resolutions, being read a second time, were agreed to.

And the postponed Resolutions were agreed to.

Mr. Gulland reported from the Committee of Supply

Supply of the 9th day of this instant August

several Resolutions; which were read, as follow:

Civil Services and Revenue Departments


Class II.

1. That a sum not exceeding £45,959 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 1917 for the Salaries and Expenses of the Board of Agriculture for Scotland, including certain Grants in Aid.

Class III.

2. That a sum not exceeding £4,883 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 1917 for Public Education in Scotland.

Class IV.

3. That a sum not exceeding £1,544,742 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 1917 for Public Education in Scotland, and for Science and Art in Scotland.

4. That a sum not exceeding £5,522 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 1917.
necessary to defray the charge which will come in course of payment during the year ending on the 31st day of March 1917 for the Salaries and Expenses of the National Gallery, the Scottish National Portrait Gallery, and the Museum of Antiquities.

Class II.

6. That a sum not exceeding £18,588 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 1917 for the Salaries and Expenses of the Fishery Board for Scotland, and for Grants in Aid of Piers or Quays.

7. That a sum not exceeding £16,924 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 1917 for the Salaries and Expenses of the General Board of Control for Scotland, and also Expenses in respect of Advances under the Housing Act, 1914.

Class III.

8. That a sum not exceeding £4,094 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 1917 for the Salaries and Expenses of the Department of the Registrar General of Births, &c. in Scotland.

9. That a sum not exceeding £3,746 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 1917 for the Salaries and Expenses of the Court of Law and Justice in Scotland.

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

Mr. Rea reported from the Committee of Supply: Supply of the 3rd day of this instant August, a Resolution; which was read, as follows:

Civil Services and Revenue Departments Estimates, 1916-17.

Class II.

That a sum not exceeding £5,860 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 1917 for the Salaries and Expenses of the Department of His Majesty's Secretary for State for the Colonies, including a Grant in Aid of certain Expenses connected with Emigration.

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

The House, according to Order, resolved itself into a Committee on the British Ships (Transfer of Restrictions) Bill.

(In the Committee.)

Clauses No. 1 and No. 2 agreed to.
Clause No. 3 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, as amended, and that it was expedient to order the Bill to be taken into consideration:

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.

Mr. Rea reported from the Committee on Government of India [Retiring Allowances and Gratuities] a Resolution; which was read, as follows:

That it is expedient to authorise the payment, in certain cases, out of the Revenues of India, of a retiring allowance to the Auditor of the Accounts of the Secretary of State for India in Council and his assistants, and of a gratuity to the legal representative of the said Auditor and his assistants, under any Act of the present Session to amend certain enactments relating to the Government of India.

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

The House, according to Order, resolved itself into a Committee on the Government of India (Amendment) Bill [Lords].

(In the Committee.)

Clauses No. 1 to No. 5 agreed to.
Clause No. 6 amended, and agreed to.
Clauses No. 7 and No. 8 agreed to.
Schedule I.
Amendment proposed, in p. 5, l. 29, at the end, to insert the words—

"Section 17 (2) Before 'Civil Service,' insert 'Indian.'"

—(Colonel Yate.)

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—

"Section 17 (3) At the end of the section, insert 'and arrange for the transfer of officers from the Government of India.'"

—(Colonel Yate.)

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

An Amendment made.

Another Amendment proposed, in p. 6, l. 3, at the end, to insert the words—

"Section 36 (1) Leave out ‘at least of them,’ and insert ‘at least of five, or four out of six.’"

—(Colonel Yate.)

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

Another Amendment proposed, in p. 6, l. 3, at the end, to insert the words—

"Section 53 Headline, leave outLieutenant-Governorships and other,’ and insert ‘Governorships and Chief Commissionerships of.’"

—(Colonel Yate.)

Question put, that those words be there inserted.

The Committee divided.

Tellers for the Yeas, {Sir Henry Crook : } 9.
Tellers for the Nos, {Lord Edmund Talbot : } 78.

Another Amendment proposed, in p. 7, l. 8, at the end, to insert the words—

"Schedule III. After ‘Marine,’ insert Foreign.’"

—(Colonel Yate.)

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

Another Amendment proposed, in p. 7, l. 8, at the end, to insert the words—

"Schedule III. Leave out ‘Accountants-General.’
Schedule III. Leave out ‘Commissioners of Customs, Salt, Excise, and Opium.’
Schedule III. Leave out ‘Opium Agent.’"

—(Colonel Yate.)

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

Schedule, as amended, agreed to.
Schedule II. 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 acquaint them that this House hath agreed to the same, with Amendments; to which this House doth desire the concurrence of their Lordships.

The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Municipal Savings Banks (War Loan Investment) (No. 2) Bill;

And a Motion being made, and the Question (No. 2) Bill, 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 Wednesday morning:

Wednesday, 16th August 1916;

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

Ordered, That the Bill be now read a second time:—The Bill was accordingly read a second time.

Ordered, That the Bill be committed to a Committee of the whole House for this day.—(Mr. Rea.)

The Order of the day being read, for taking into consideration the Small Holding Colonies 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 Parliament and Local Elections Bill;

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time this day.

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

Resolved, That this House will, this day, resolve itself into the said Committee.

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

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 minutes after Twelve of the clock on Wednesday morning, till this day.
Wednesday, 16th August 1916.

PRAYERS.

Mr. McKinnon Wood presented,—Return to an Order, dated the 11th day of July last, for a Return relative to Imperial Revenue (Collection and Expenditure) (Great Britain and Ireland).

Return to an Order, dated the 2nd day of this instant August, for Returns relative to Revenue and Expenditure (England, Scotland, and Ireland).

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

Mr. Secretary Samuel presented, by His Majesty's Command,—Copy of Report of the Inspector under the Inebriates Acts, 1879 to 1900, for the year 1915.

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

Mr. Speaker laid upon the Table, pursuant to the directions of an Act of Parliament,—Reports from the Commissioners of the Board of Control, dated 7th January 1916 and 7th August 1916, relative to the mental condition of Mr. Charles Leach, Member for the County of York, West Riding, Colne Valley Division, in compliance with the provisions of the Lunacy (Vacating of Seats) Act, 1886.

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 years 1886, 1896, 1900, and 1914 (in particular for the corresponding periods of 1915 and 1916, compared with the 30th day of June 1916, and 1900), and the authentication of such extracts as the Lords 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.

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

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 Small Holding Colonies Bill [Lords], as amended in the Committee. And Amendments were made to the Bill.

Another Amendment was proposed to be made to the Bill, in p. 6, l. 1, by leaving out from the beginning thereof to the word "consist," in l. 4, and inserting the words—

"(c) The total area of the land for the time being acquired by the Board of Agriculture for Scotland for the purpose of section one of this Act shall not at any time exceed two thousand acres, of which three-fourths shall—"

(The Lord Advocate),—instead thereof.

And the Question being proposed, That the words proposed to be left out stand part of the Bill;

And it being a quarter of an hour after Eight of the clock, and leave having been given to move the adjournment of the House under Standing Order No. 10, further proceeding was postponed without Question put.

A Motion was made, and the Question was adjourned:—The Motion being made, it was resolved in the Affirmative.

The postponed proceeding on the Amendment proposed on consideration of the Small Holding Colonies Bill [Lords], as amended, was resumed.

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 put, That those words be there inserted in 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;
Mr. Acland, 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.

And notice being taken that the interest of the Prince of Wales, as Duke of Cornwall, is concerned therein;

Mr. Acland, by Command of His Royal Highness, acquainted the House that His Royal Highness, having been informed of the purport of the Bill, gives His Consent, as far as His Royal Highness’s interest is concerned, that the House may do therein as they shall think fit.

And the House having continued to sit till after Twelve of the clock on Thursday morning;

Thursday, 17th August 1916:

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.

Resolved, That the Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Time (Ireland) Bill; Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time this day.

The Order of the day being read, for the Committee on the Law and Procedure (Emergency Provisions) (Ireland) Bill; Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time this day.

The Order of the day being read, for the Committee on the Defence of the Realm (Acquisition of Land) 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 Dublin Reconstruction (Emergency 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 Law and Procedure (Emergency Provisions) (Ireland) Bill; Ordered, That the Bill be now 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.

Time (Ireland) Bill.

Dublin Reconstruction (Emergency Provisions) (Ireland) Bill.


Defence of the Realm (Acquisition of Land) Bill.

Larceny Bill [Lords].

Supply.

Ways and Means.

Adjournment.

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 thirteen minutes after Twelve of the clock on Thursday morning, till this day.

PRAYERS.

THE House being informed that the Lord Mayor of the City of Dublin attended at the door, he was called in; and, at the Bar, presented a Petition of the Lord Mayor, Aldermen, and Burgesses of Dublin; and then he withdrew.

Ordered, That in the case of the Craven Estates Bill [Lords] Standing Order 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 acquaint them that this House hath agreed to the same, without Amendment.

Mr. Runciman presented, by His Majesty’s Statistical Command,—Copy of Statistical Abstract for the several British self-governing Dominions, Colonies, Possessions, and Protectorates, in each year from 1900 to 1914. Fifty-second Number.

Mr. Runciman also presented,—Return to an Order for a Return relative to the output of Coal in the United Kingdom; and for a Return to an Order for a Return relative to the output of Coal in the United Kingdom.

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

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

Mr. Secretary Lloyd George presented, by Army. His Majesty’s Command,—Copy of Return showing the approximate cost of the Hutting provided, or being provided, for the accommodation of Troops (including hospital patients) and Horses in the United Kingdom, in the years 1914 to 1916.

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

Mr. Speaker informed the House that, in Writ issued in accordance with the provisions of the Lunacy (Vacating of Seats) Act, 1886, he had issued his Warrant to the Clerk of the Crown, to make out a new Writ for the electing of a Member 1886, to serve in this present Parliament for York County, Southern Part of the West Riding (Colne Valley Division), in the room of Charles Leach, Esquire, the seat having become vacant under that Act.

Mr. Speaker acquainted the House that a Message from His Majesty’s Government, addressed to the Lords, one of their Clerks, as followeth:

The Lords have agreed to the Education (Fee Grant) Bill, without any Amendment.

The Lords have agreed to the Finance Bill, (Exchequer Bonds) Amendment Bill, without any Amendment.

Ordered, That the proceedings on Government Business be not interrupted this night under the Standing Order (Sittings of the House), and may be entered upon at any hour though opposed.—(The Prime Minister.)

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The House, according to Order, resolved itself into a Committee on the Parliament and Local Elections Bill.

(In the Committee.)

Clause No. 1 (Further prolongation of present Parliament).

Amendment proposed, in p. 1, l. 6, to leave out from the word "if" to the word "were," in l. 7, in order to insert the words "a period lasting for the duration of the war and six months afterwards."—(Mr. Aneurin Williams.)

Question proposed, That the words "six years" stand part of the Clause:—Amendment, by leave, withdrawn.

Another Amendment proposed, in p. 1, l. 6, to leave out the words "and four months."—(Major Hunt.)

Question, That the word "and" stand part of the Clause, put, and agreed to.

An Amendment made.

Clause, as amended, agreed to.

Clauses No. 2 and No. 3 amended, and agreed to.

Clauses No. 4 and No. 5 agreed to.

A Clause (Repeal of subsection (2) of section one of 5 & 6 Geo. 5, c. 100)—(Sir Frederick Banbury)—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.

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 Law and Procedure (Emergency Provisions) (Ireland) Bill.

(In the Committee.)

Clause No. 1 (Amendment of law and procedure).

Amendment proposed, in p. 2, l. 23, to leave out subsection (6).—(Mr. T. M. Healy.)

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

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 desire their concurrence.

The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Dublin Reconstruction (Emergency Provisions) Bill;

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

Royal Assent.

A Message was delivered by Thomas Dacres Butler, Esquire, Yeoman Usher of the Black Rod:

Mr. Speaker,

The Lords authorised by virtue of His Majesty's Commission, for declaring His Royal Assent to several Acts agreed upon by both Houses, desire the immediate attendance of this Honourable House in the House of Peers, to hear the Commission read.

Accordingly Mr. Speaker, with the House, went up to the House of Peers:—And 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:

2. Special Commissions (Dardanelles and Mesopotamia) Act, 1916.
3. Elementary Education (Fee Grant) Act, 1916.

And the Question being again 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. Patrick White.)

And the Question being put, That the word "now" stand part of the Question;

The House divided.

The Yeas to the Right;

The Noses to the Left.

Tellers for the Yeas, Lord Edmund Talbot:—156.
Tellers for the Noses, Mr. Ronald M'Nill:—5.

So it was resolved in the Affirmative.

And the Main Question being put:

Ordered, That the Bill be now read a second time:—The Bill was accordingly read a second time.

A Motion was made, and the Question was proposed, 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—(Mr. T. M. Healy):—And the said Motion was, with leave of the House, withdrawn.

Ordered, That the Bill be committed to a Committee of the whole House for Monday next.—(Mr. Duke.)
The Time (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. Galland.)

The House accordingly resolved itself into the Committee.

(In the Committee.)

Clause No. 1 (Time in Ireland).

Motion made, and Question proposed, That the Chairman do report Progress, and ask leave to sit again.—(Mr. T. M. Healy.)

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Question put, and negatived.

Clause agreed to.

Clause No. 2 agreed to.

Schedule agreed to.

Bill to be reported.

Mr. Deputy Speaker resumed the Chair; and the Deputy Chairman reported, That the Committee had gone through the Bill, and directed him to report the same, without Amendment.

Ordered, That the Bill be now read the third time:—The Bill was accordingly read the third time and passed.

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

Committee on the Special Register Bill.

The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Court of Session (Extracts) Bill;

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

Special Register Bill.

The Order of the day being read, for the Committee on the Special Register Bill;

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

Larceny Bill [Lords.]

The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Larceny Bill [Lords.];

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

Supply.

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

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

Ways and Means.

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

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

Adjournment.

And it being after half-past Eleven of the clock on Thursday evening, Mr. Deputy Speaker adjourned the House without Question put, pursuant to the Standing Order, it being then five minutes after Twelve of the clock on Friday morning, till Monday next, pursuant to the Order of the House of the 22nd day of February last.

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a retired allowance to Mr. John Ince, Postmaster, Blyth.

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

Sir Francis Douglas Blaho, Baronet, Member for the County of Northumberland (Berwick-upon-Tweed Division), was sworn.

The Registration of Business Names Bill [Lords] was read the first time, and ordered to be read a second time to-morrow; and to be printed.

The Deputy Chairman reported from the Committee on the Municipal Corporations (Buxton Scheme Confirmation) Bill [Lords] 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.

Message from the Lords.

The Deputy Chairman reported the Shropshire, Worcestershire, and Staffordshire Electric Power Bill [Lords], without Amendment.

Ordered, That the Report do lie upon the Table.

Ordered, That the Bill be read the third time.

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 Merchant Shipping (Salvage) Bill, without any Amendment.

The Lords have agreed to the Telegraph (Construction) Bill.

The Lords have agreed to the Amendments made by this House to the Small Holding Colonies Bill [Lords], without any Amendment.

Mr. Brace presented a Bill to confirm a Scheme of the Charity Commissioners for the application of the Charity called Holligrave under the management of the Cloth-workers’ Company: And the same was ordered to be read a second time to-morrow; and to be printed.

Mr. Brace presented a Bill to confirm a Scheme of the Charity Commissioners for the application or management of certain Charities in the Parishes of Stony Stratford East and Stony Stratford West, constituting and known as the Town of Stony Stratford, in the County of Buckingham: And the same was ordered to be read a second time to-morrow; and to be printed.

Mr. Brace presented a Bill to confirm a Scheme of the Charity Commissioners for the application or management of certain Charities: And the same was ordered to be read a second time to-morrow; and to be printed.

Mr. Brace presented a Bill to confirm a Scheme of the Charity Commissioners for the application or management of certain Charities in the County of Northumberland (Berwick-upon-Tweed Division), was sworn.

Regulation of Business Names Bill [Lords] was read the first time, and ordered to be read a second time to-morrow; and to be printed.

Municipal Corporations (Buxton Scheme Confirmation) Bill [Lords] was read the first time, and ordered to be printed.

Provisional Bill [Lords] was read the first time, and ordered to be printed.

Mr. Brace presented a Bill to confirm a Burnham-on-Crouch Chapel Charity Bill.

Mr. Brace presented a Bill to confirm a Bradford Infirmary (Streets) Baptist Chapel Charity Bill.

Mr. Brace presented a Bill to confirm a Shrewsbury and Worcester Scheme Confirmation Bill [Lords]; That they had directed him to report the Bill, with Amendments, to the House.

Mr. Brace presented a Bill to confirm a Shredder’s Chapel Bill 96.

Mr. Brace presented a Bill to confirm a Baptist Church Bill 98.

Mr. Brace presented a Bill to confirm a Baptist Church Bill 100.

Mr. Brace presented a Bill to confirm a Baptist Church Bill 101.

Mr. Brace presented a Bill to confirm a Baptist Church Bill 102.

Mr. Brace presented a Bill to confirm a Baptist Church Bill 103.

Mr. Brace presented a Bill to confirm a Baptist Church Bill 104.

Mr. Brace presented a Bill to confirm a Baptist Church Bill 105.

Mr. Brace presented a Bill to confirm a Baptist Church Bill 106.

Mr. Brace presented a Bill to confirm a Baptist Church Bill 107.

The House, according to Order, resolved itself into a Committee on the Defence of the Realm (Acquisition of Land) Bill.
Clause No. 3 (Power to acquire land permanently).

Another Amendment made.

Clause, as amended, agreed to.

Clause No. 4 (User of land acquired).

Amendment proposed, in p. 4, l. 29, at the beginning, to insert the words “If the Commission to sanction.”—(Mr. Boyton.)

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

Another Amendment proposed, in p. 4, l. 30, to leave out the word “Government,” in order to insert the word “occupying.”—(Mr. Boyton.)

Question, That the word “Government” stand part of the Clause, put, and agreed to.

Amendments made.

Another Amendment proposed, in p. 5, l. 1, to leave out the words “within twelve months,” in order to insert the words “at any time.”—(Mr. Rawlinson.)

Question proposed, That the word “within” stand part of the Clause:—Amendment, by leave, withdrawn.

Another Amendment made.

Another Amendment proposed, in p. 5, l. 6, at the end, to insert the words—

(a) nothing in this section shall authorise the contravention of any general or local Act of Parliament, or of any byelaw, regulation, or order made thereunder;

(b) any street, building, or work which has been formed, erected, or constructed on any such land otherwise than in accordance with the provisions of any general or local Acts relating to new streets or buildings, and with any byelaws or regulations made thereunder, shall, unless the authority by whom such provisions, byelaws, or regulations are enforced consent to the continuance thereof, either be so altered as to comply with such provisions, byelaws, or regulations, or be discontinued or removed within such time after such land has ceased to belong to and to be occupied by a Government department as such authority may consider reasonable; and if this provision is not complied with the owner of the land shall be liable on summary conviction to a penalty not exceeding twenty pounds for every day during which such non-compliance continues, and such authority as aforesaid may remove any such building or work and recover the expense incurred in such removal from the owner of the land in a summary manner as a civil debt."

—(Mr. Percy Harris.)

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

Other Amendments made.

Another Amendment proposed, in p. 5, l. 28, to leave out paragraph (c).—(Sir Frederick Banbury.)

Question, That the words proposed to be left out, to the word “may,” in l. 29, stand part of the Clause, put, and agreed to.

Another Amendment proposed, in p. 5, l. 29, to leave out the words “may require the claimant to sell,” in order to insert the words “shall, if required by the claimant, purchase.”—(Mr. Rawlinson.)

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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. 37, to leave out the words “accident due to.”—(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. 5, l. 38, at the end, to add the words “and (e) nothing in this section shall affect the liability of any person in respect of any contravention of the Alkali, &c. Works Regulation Act, 1906, or the Rivers Pollution Acts, 1876 and 1893, or of any local Act dealing with the like matters, or affect the powers conferred by any Act, whether public, general, or local, on any local authority, board of conservancy, or other public authority, with respect to the prevention of the pollution of rivers, or the abatement of nuisances caused by the emission of smoke or other noxious fumes.”—(Mr. Solicitor General.)

Question proposed, That those words be there added:

Amendment proposed to the proposed Amendment, in l. 9, at the end, to add the words “nor shall anything in this section authorise any interference with or infringement of the rights of any riparian owner, or prejudice or affect any such rights.”—(Mr. Brunner.)

Question, That those words be there added to the proposed Amendment, put, and negatived.

Proposed words there added.

Clause, as amended, agreed to.

Clause No. 5 (Power to sell land acquired under Act).

Amendment proposed, in p. 5, l. 41, after the word “department,” to insert the words “and subsequently ceases to be necessary for the purpose for which it was acquired.”—(Sir William Ryland Atkins.)

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

Another Amendment proposed, in p. 6, l. 14, to leave out the words “as modified by this Act.”—(Mr. Laurence Hardy.)

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. 6 (Provisions as to highways).

An Amendment made.

Another Amendment proposed, in p. 6, l. 31, after the word “shall,” to insert the word “not.”—(Mr. Laurence Hardy.)

Question proposed, That the word “not” be there inserted:—Amendment, by leave withdrawn.

Other Amendments made.

Another Amendment proposed, in p. 6, l. 37, to leave out subsection (2).—(Sir Frederick Banbury.)

Question proposed, That the words proposed to be left out, to the word “highway,” in l. 38, stand part of the Clause:—Amendment, by leave, withdrawn.
Another Amendment proposed, in p. 6, l. 28, after the word "highway," to insert the words "or right of way."—(Sir Frederick Banbury.)

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

Another Amendment proposed, in p. 6, l. 28, after the word "may," to insert the words "with the consent of the local road authority for the district in which such railway or tramway is laid."—(Mr. MacCullum Scott.)

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

Another Amendment proposed, in p. 6, l. 29, to leave out the words "by virtue of this section, ."—(Sir Frederick Banbury.)

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

Another Amendment made.

Another Amendment proposed, in p. 6, l. 37, to leave out from the word "agreement" to the end of the Clause, in order to insert the words "may be determined under section eight of this Act."—(Colonel Gretton.)

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. 7 (Provisions as to water, light, heat, and power companies and authorities).

Amendment proposed, in p. 7, l. 2, after the word "premises," to insert the words "situate upon lands of which a Government department continue in possession under section one of this Act."—(Mr. Bayton.)

Question proposed, That those words be there inserted:

Proposed Amendment amended, by leaving out the words "section one of."—(Sir Frederick Banbury.)

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

Amendments made.

Another Amendment proposed, in p. 7, l. 17, after the words last added, to add the words "Provided that the provisions of this section shall not be construed as authorising any water company or water authority to supply otherwise than by agreement to or at any place which is outside their limits of supply and within the limits of supply of the Metropolitan Water Board."—(Sir Edwin Cornwall.)

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

Clause, as amended, agreed to.

Clause No. 8 (Determination of questions by Railway and Canal Commission).

Amendment proposed, in p. 7, l. 18, to leave out from the second word "the" to the word "shall," in l. 21, in order to insert the words "Lands Clauses Acts, as modified by this Act."—(Colonel Gretton.)

Question proposed, That the words proposed to be left out, to the word "of," in l. 20, stand part of the Clause:—Amendment, by leave, withdrawn.

Another Amendment proposed, in p. 7, l. 19, after the word "of," to insert the word "all."—(Mr. Horne.)

Question, That the word "all" be there inserted, put, and negatived.

Another Amendment proposed, in p. 7, l. 36, to leave out the words "except the provisions relating to appeals."—(Mr. Puleck.)

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

Clause agreed to.

Clause No. 9 agreed to.

Clause No. 10 amended, and agreed to.

Clause No. 11 (Interpretation).

Amendments made.

Another Amendment proposed, in p. 9, l. 18, to leave out subsection (4).—(Sir Frederick Banbury.)

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

Another Amendment made.

Another Amendment proposed, in p. 9, l. 21, to leave out subsection (5).—(Mr. Laurence Hardy.)

Question, That the words proposed to be left out, to the word "shall," in p. 9, l. 21, stand part of the Clause, put, and negatived.

Remaining words of subsection (5) left out.

Clause, as amended, agreed to.

Clause No. 12 agreed to.

Clause No. 13 amended, and agreed to.

Clauses No. 14 and No. 15 agreed to.

A Clause (Savings)—(Mr. Solicitor General)
brought up, and read the first and second time.

An Amendment made to the proposed Clause.

Another Amendment proposed to the proposed Clause, in l. 2, to leave out the words "otherwise than by agreement."—(Mr. Brunner.)

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

Other Amendments made to the proposed Clause.

Another Amendment proposed to the proposed Clause, in l. 3, at the end, to insert the words "or of any land which, for the purposes connected with the present war, has been placed at the disposal of the occupying department, or of the Government of India, or of the Government of any of the overseas dominions, or of the British Red Cross Society or the Saint John's Ambulance Association, voluntarily and without profit."—(Mr. Perkins.)

Question, That those words be there inserted in the proposed Clause, put, and negatived.

Other Amendments made to the proposed Clause.

Another Amendment proposed to the proposed Clause, in l. 14 to 18.—(Sir Edwin Cornwall.)

Question proposed, That the words "without the consent" stand part of the proposed Clause:—Amendment to the proposed Clause, by leave, withdrawn.

Other Amendments made to the proposed Clause.

Another Amendment proposed to the proposed Clause, to leave out ls. 14 to 18.—(Sir Edwin Cornwall.)

Question proposed, That the words " without the consent " stand part of the proposed Clause:—Amendment to the proposed Clause, by leave, withdrawn.

Other Amendments made to the proposed Clause.

Another Amendment proposed to the proposed Clause, in l. 27, to leave out the words "other than an agreement to give up possession of land at the expiration of a tenancy)."—(Mr. Laurence Hardy.)
Question, That the words proposed to be left out stand part of the proposed Clause, put, and agreed to.

Another Amendment proposed to the proposed Clause, in l. 32, to leave out subsection (5).—(Sir Frederick Banbury.)

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

Clause, as amended, added to the Bill.

Another Clause (Claims for compensation)—(Mr. Percy Harris)—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 grant or demise land to department for perpetual rent)—(Mr. Dundas White)—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 (Buildings erected by Government)—(Mr. Rawlinson)—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 (Saving for commons, open spaces, and allotments) —(Mr. Rawlinson)—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 (Certain particulars to be ascertained and recorded)—(Mr. Dundas White)—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 (Right of reference by persons interested)—(Colonel Gretton)—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.

Ordered, That the Amendment made by their Lordships into the said Amendment into Question, That the words proposed to be left out, stand part of the Schedule, put, and agreed to.

Another Amendment proposed, in p. 11, l. 6, to leave out paragraph 2.—(Mr. Lawrence Hardy.)

Question proposed, That the words "the provisions" stand part of the Schedule:—Amendment, by leave, withdrawn.

Another Amendment proposed, in p. 11, l. 8, to leave out paragraph 8.—(Colonel Gretton.)

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

Another Amendment proposed, in p. 11, l. 10, to leave out paragraph 4.—(Sir Frederick Banbury.)

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

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.

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PRAYERS.

THE Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Rhodes Estate Bill [Lords];

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time upon Wednesday the 11th day of October next.

Ordered, That in the case of the Shropshire, Worcestershire, and Staffordshire Electric Power Bill [Lords] Standing Order 245 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 acquaint them that this House hath agreed to the same, without Amendment.

The House proceeded to take into consideration the Municipal Corporations (Buxton Scheme Confirmation) Bill [Lords], as amended in the Committee.

Ordered, That the Bill be now read the third time;—The Bill was accordingly read the third time and passed, with Amendments;

Ordered, That the Clerk do carry the Bill to the Lords; and acquaint them that this House hath agreed to the same, with Amendments; to which this House doth desire the concurrence of their Lordships.

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 Berks (Northern or Abingdon Division), in the room of Lieutenant-Colonel the Honourable Harold Greenwood Henderson, who, since his Election for the said county, hath accepted the Office of Steward or Bailiff of His Majesty’s Manor of Northstead, in the County of York.—(Lord Edmund Talbot.)

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

Lord Robert Cecil presented, by His Majesty’s Command,—Copy of Correspondence with the Swedish Minister on the subject of the detention by the Swedish Government of the British Transit Mail to Russia, as a reprisal for the action of the Swedish Government in respect of the funds of suitors of the Court in the year ended 29th February 1916, and Account of the National Debt Commissioners for the same period in respect of funds held by them on behalf of the Supreme Court of Judicature, with the Report of the Comptroller and Auditor General thereon.

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

Mr. Long presented, by His Majesty’s Command,—Copy of Forty-fifth Report of the Local Government Board, 1915–16. Part I. Administration of the Poor Law; Special Work arising out of the War, Prevention and Relief of Distress; Reception and Accommodation of War Refugees; National Registration; the Tribunals under the Group System of Enlistment and the Military Service Acts. Part III. Public Health; Local Administration; Local Taxation and Valuation.

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 1876 to 1916, 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 1915–16, 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; and

(3) A similar Statement in respect of the aggregate gross liabilities of the State.

—(Mr. McKinnon Wood.)

Mr. Speaker acquainted the House that a Message from the Lords had been brought from the Lords by the Lords, one of their Clerks, as follows:—

The Lords have agreed to the Law and Procedure (Emergency Provisions) (Ireland) Bill, without any Amendment.

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

The Lords have agreed to the Municipal Corporations (Buxton Scheme Confirmation) Bill [Lords], without any Amendment.

The Lords have agreed to the War Charities (Amendment) Bill [Lords], without any Amendment.

The Lords have agreed to the War Charities Bill, with Amendments; to which the Lords desire the concurrence of this House.

The Lords have agreed to the Local Government Board, 1915–16. Part I. Administration of the Poor Law; Special Work arising out of the War, Prevention and Relief of Distress; Reception and Accommodation of War Refugees; National Registration; the Tribunals under the Group System of Enlistment and the Military Service Acts. Part III. Public Health; Local Administration; Local Taxation and Valuation.

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

Mr. McKinnon Wood presented, pursuant to the directions of an Act of Parliament,—Copy of Order in Council, dated 18th August 1916, under the Finance Act, 1916, modifying the provisions of Section 1 (1) (c) of the Immature Spirits (Restriction) Act, 1915, with respect to imported Rum.

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

Mr. Herbert Lewis presented, pursuant to the directions of an Act of Parliament,—Account of Receipts and Expenditure of the Paymaster General on behalf of the Supreme Court of Judicature in respect of the funds of suitors of...
Ordered, That the Amendments made by the Lords to the War Charities Bill be taken into consideration to-morrow; and be printed.

Ordered, That the Amendment made by the Lords to the British Ships (Transfer Restriction) Bill be taken into consideration to-morrow; and be printed.

A Motion was made, and the Question being put, That the proceedings on Government Business be not interrupted this night under the Standing Order (Sittings of the House), and may be entered upon at any hour though opposed—(The Prime Minister);

The House divided.
The Yeas to the Right;
The Noes to the Left.
Tellers for the [Mr. Gulland, Yeas, Lord Edmund Talbot]; 118.
Tellers for the [Mr. Landon, Noes, Mr. Hogge]; 21.
So it was resolved in the Affirmative.

A Motion was made, and the Question being proposed, That to-morrow Mr. Speaker, so soon as he has reported the Royal Assent to the Bills which have been agreed upon by both Houses, do adjourn the House without Question put till Tuesday the 10th day of October next—(The Prime Minister):—And a Debate arising thereupon;

And the House having continued to sit till after Twelve of the clock on Wednesday morning:

Wednesday, 23rd August 1916:
And a Motion being made, and the Question being proposed, That the Debate be now adjourned—(Sir Alfred Mond):—The said Motion was, with leave of the House, withdrawn.
And the Original Question being again proposed:—The said Motion was, with leave of the House, withdrawn.
Resolved, That this House, at its rising to-morrow, do adjourn till Tuesday the 10th day of October next.—(Mr. Secretary Bonar Law.)

The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Registration of Business Names Bill [Lords];
Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time this day.

The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Holligrave Charity Bill;
Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time this day.

The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Stony Stratford Charities 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 Baptist Chapels Charities 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 Burnham-on-Crouch Chapel Charity Bill;

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time this day.

The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Bradford (Infirmary and Street) Baptist Chapel Charity Bill;
Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time this day.

The Order of the day being read, for the Bethesda Second Reading of the Bethesda Chapel Charity Bill;
Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time this day.

The Order of the day being read, for the Pisgah Chapel Second Reading of the Pisgah Chapel (Tryddyn) Charity Bill;
Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time this day.

The Order of the day being read, for the Moriah Chapel Second Reading of the Moriah Chapel (Broughton) Charity Bill;
Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time this day.

The Order of the day being read, for the Plymouth Workhouse Second Reading of the Plymouth Workhouse Charities Bill;
Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time this day.

The Order of the day being read, for the Congregational Second Reading of the Congregational Chapels Charities Bill;
Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time this day.

The Order of the day being read, for the Defence of the Realm (Acquisition of Land) Bill;
Resolved, That this House will, this day, resolve itself into the said Committee.

The Order of the day being read, for the Court of Session (Extracts) Bill;
Resolved, That this House will, this day, resolve itself into the said Committee.

The Order of the day being read, for the Special Register Bill;
Resolved, That this House will, this day, resolve itself into the said Committee.
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.

Ways and Means.

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

Resolved, That this House will, this day, resolve itself into the said Committee.


The Order of the day being read, for the Committee on Navy and Army Expenditure, 1914-15;

Resolved, That this House will, this day, resolve itself into the said Committee.

Adjournment.

Resolved, That this House do meet this day at Twelve of the clock.—(Mr. Secretary Bonar Law.)

National Debt.

Mr. McKinnon Wood presented,—Return on Fund, No. 122.

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

Adjourment.

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 thirteen minutes before Two of the clock on Wednesday morning, till this day.

Wednesday, 23rd August 1916.

The House met at Twelve of the clock.

PRAYERS.

Mr. Secretary Samuel presented, by His Majesty's Command,—Copy of Twelfth Report of the Royal Patriotic Fund Corporation, for the year 1915.

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 Amendments made by this House to the Municipal Corporations (Buxton Scheme Confirmation) Bill [Lords], without any Amendment.

The House, according to Order, proceeded to take into consideration the Amendment made by the Lords to the Parliament and Local Elections 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.

War Charities Bill.

The House, according to Order, proceeded to take into consideration the Amendments made by the Lords to the War Charities 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 British ships take into consideration the Amendment made to the British Ships (Transfer Restriction) 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.

A Motion was made, and the Question being Adjournment, proposed, That this House do now adjourn—(Mr. Galland);

A Message was delivered by Captain Thomas Royal Assent, Dacre Butler, Yeoman Usher of the Black Rod:

Mr. Speaker,

The Lords authorized 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 authorized 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:


And the Question being again proposed, That Adjournment, this House do now adjourn;

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 eight minutes before Six of the clock, without a Question first put, till Tuesday the 10th day of October next, pursuant to the Order of the House of the 22nd day of this instant August.

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Tuesday, 10th October 1916.

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 Winchester, in the room of Lieutenant-Colonel the Honourable Guy Victor Baring, killed in action. — (Lord Edmund Tolbot.)

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 Autumn Recess, were delivered to the Librarian of the House of Commons during the Recess, pursuant to Standing Order No. 95:

- Copy of Correspondence with His Majesty's Minister at Berne respecting the question of Reprials against Prisoners of War.
- Copy of Reports of Visits of Inspection by Officials of the United States Embassy to various Internment Camps in the United Kingdom.
- Copy of Correspondence respecting the Relief of Allied Territories in the occupation of the Enemy.
- Copy of Memorandum respecting the treatment of Belligerent Submarines in Neutral Waters, communicated by the Allied Governments to the Governments of certain Neutral Maritime States.
- Copy of Tables relating to the Trade of British India with the British Empire and Foreign Countries, 1910–11 to 1914–15.
- Copy of Abstracts showing the acreage under Crops and the numbers and descriptions of Live Stock in each County and Province in Ireland for the year 1916–17.
- Copy of Annual Report of the Local Government Board for Ireland, for the year ended 31st March 1916.
- Copy of Twenty-fourth Report of the Congested Districts Board for Ireland, for the period 1st April 1915 to the 31st March 1916.
- Copy of Eighty-first Report of the Commissioners of National Education in Ireland, for the year 1914–15.
- Copy of Regulations, dated 2nd October 1916, as to Grants to School Boards in respect of the Medical Treatment of Necessitous School Children for 1917.


Copy of Thirty-fourth Annual Report of the Fishery Board for Scotland, being for the year (Scotland), 1915.

Copy of Minutes of Evidence taken before the Departmental Committee appointed by the President of the Board of Agriculture and Fisheries to consider the Settlement and Employment on the Land in England and Wales of Discharged Sailors and Soldiers on the Land (Departmental Committee).

Copy of Treasury Minute, dated 28th September 1916, showing the manner in which instalments of the Dominica War Contribution will be applied.

Copy of Memorandum prepared by the Exchequer and Audit Department for the information of the Committee of Public Accounts, 1916.

Copy of the Annual Report for 1915 of the Chief Medical Officer of the Board of Education.

Copy of Report of the Committee of the Privy Council for Scientific and Industrial Research for the year 1915–16.

Copy of Cases heard before Munition Munitions Tribunals from 29th November 1915 to and including Saturday 1st July 1916 (in continuation of [Cd. 8143]).

Copy of Reports of Health of Munition Munitions Workers Committee on Investigation of Health of Munition Workers' Food and Suggestions as to Dietary (Memorandum No. 11); on Statistical Information concerning Output in relation to Hours of Work (Memorandum No. 12); on Juvenile Employment (Memorandum No. 13).

Copy of the new Chilean Customs Tariff Chile, with Comparison of the new Rates of Customs Duty and those leviable under the former Tariff.

Copy of Report of the Departmental Prices Committee appointed by the Board of Trade to investigate the principal causes which have led to the increase of Prices of Commodities since the beginning of the War. Interim Report on Meat, 1915, 1916.

Copy of Report of the Board of Trade by the Trade Committee appointed to investigate the question of Financial Facilities for Trade.

Copy of Annual Statement of the Trade of the United Kingdom with Foreign Countries and British Possessions for 1915, compared with the four preceding years. Volume II.

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 1916.

Copy of Fifty-ninth Report, for the year 1915, of the Chief Inspector of Reforatory and Industrial Schools of Great Britain.

Copy of Report of the Commissioners of Prisons and the Directors of Convict Prisons, together with Appendices, for the year ended 31st March 1916.


Copy of Statistics as to the operation and administration of the Laws relating to the Sale of Intoxicating Liquor in England and Wales for the year 1915.
Copy of Second Interim Report on an Investigation of Industrial Fatigue by Physiological Methods, by A. F. Stanley Kent, M.A., D.Sc. (Oxon.), Professor of Physiology in the University of Bristol.

Copy of Third General 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.

Copy of First Report of the Royal Commission appointed to consider and report what Compensation should be paid in respect of losses incurred through the exercise by the Crown of its rights and duties in the Defence of the Realm.

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

Mr. McKinnon Wood presented, by His Majesty's Command,—Copy of Treasury Scheme for the award of additional Allowances to Old Age Pensioners suffering special hardship owing to the War.

Supplementary Estimate of the sum required to be raised for Navy and Army Services, Warlike Operations, and other Expenditure arising out of the War during the year ending 31st March 1917.

Copy of Return of Permanent Charge on the Consolidated Fund which has been redeemed in the period 6th August 1913 to 30th November 1915.

Copy of Provisional Regulations, dated 14th September 1916, made by the National Health Insurance Joint Committee, acting jointly with the Insurance Commissioners, entitled the National Health Insurance (Medical Benefit) (Regulations.)

Copy of Provisional Regulations, dated 16th September 1916, made by the National Health Insurance Joint Committee, entitled the National Health Insurance (Arrears) Regulations, 1916 (No. 2).

Copy of Provisional Regulations, dated 16th September 1916, made by the National Health Insurance Joint Committee, entitled the National Health Insurance (Medical Benefit) (Regulations.)

Copy of Provisional Regulations, dated 16th September 1916, made by the National Health Insurance Joint Committee, entitled the National Health Insurance (Medical Benefit) Regulations, 1916 (No. 2).

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Copy of Provisional Regulations, dated 16th September 1916, made by the National Health Insurance Joint Committee, entitled the National Health Insurance (Medical Benefit) (Regulations.)
on Sanitary Measures in India in 1914-15. Volume XLVIII.

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

Mr. Secretary Samuel presented, pursuant to the directions of an Act of Parliament,—Copy of Order made under the Shops Act, 1912, by the Council of the mentioned Local Authority, and confirmed by the Secretary of State for the Home Department:—

City of Bradford.

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

Mr. Herbert Lewis presented, by His Majesty's Command,—Copy of Interim Report of the Departmental Committee on Juvenile Education in relation to Employment after the War.

Mr. Herbert Lewis also presented, pursuant to the directions of several Acts of Parliament,—Copies of Five Orders in Council, dated 7th September 1916, and of Three Orders in Council, dated 3rd October 1916, under the Naval and Marine Pay and Pensions Act, 1865.


Copy of Order in Council under the Foreign Jurisdiction Acts, 1890 and 1913, dated 7th September 1916, applying the Colonial Probates Act, 1892, to the Nysaland Protectorate.

Copy of Order in Council, dated 7th September 1916, under the Navy and Marines (Property of Deceased) Act, 1865, amending the Order in Council of 28th December 1865.

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

Mr. Runciman presented, pursuant to the directions of an Act of Parliament,—Copy of Seventh Annual Report of the Port of London Authority, for the year ended 31st March 1916.

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 1915, and from 26th July 1869 (the date of the Irish Church Act), to 31st March 1916; together with the Report of the Comptroller and Auditor General thereon.

Ordered, That the Paper relative to Church Temporalities (Ireland) be printed.

Mr. Speaker informed the House that he had issued during the adjournment the following new Writs, viz.:—

For the County of Nottingham (Mansfield Division), in the room of Sir Arthur Basil Markham, Baronet, deceased.

For the County of Ayr (North Division), in the room of Lieutenant-Colonel Duncan Frederick Campbell, deceased.

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Frederick William Mallalieu, Esquire, Member for the County of York (Southern Part of the West Riding, Colne Valley Division), was sworn.

Archie Kirkman Leyd, Esquire, K.C., Member for the County of Berks (Northern or Abingdon Division), was sworn.

Lieutenant-Colonel Sir Charles Hilton Scoby, Baronet, Member for the County of Nottingham (Mansfield Division), was sworn.

The House, according to Order, resolved itself into a Committee on the Defence of the Realm (Acquisition of Land) Bill.

(In the Committee.)

Schedule.

Another Amendment proposed, in p. 11, l. 12, to leave out paragraph 5.—(Sir Frederick Banbury.)

Question put, That the words proposed to be left out stand part of the Schedule.

The Committee divided.

Tellers for the [Mr. Gulland, Yeas, 161. [Lord Edmund Talbot] 161.

Tellers for the [Mr. Frederick Banbury, Noes, 22. [Mr. Watson Rutherford] 22.

An Amendment made.

Another Amendment proposed, in p. 11, l. 22, to leave out from the word "value" to the word "without," in l. 24.—(Mr. Trench.)

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

Another Amendment made.

Another Amendment proposed, in p. 11, l. 29, to leave out paragraph 3.—(Colonel Gretton.)

Question proposed, That the words proposed to be left out, to the word "without," in l. 29, stand part of the Schedule:—Amendment, by leave, withdrawn.

Other Amendments made.

Another Amendment proposed, in p. 12, l. 34, to leave out paragraph 10. — (Sir Frederick Banbury.)

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

Another Amendment made.

Another Amendment proposed, in p. 13, l. 8, to leave out paragraph 13.—(Mr. Ashley.)

Question proposed, That the words proposed to be left out, to the word "without," in l. 8, stand part of the Schedule:—Amendment, by leave, withdrawn.

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 to-morrow; and be printed.

The Order of the day being read, for the registration of business,

Ordered, That the Order be read a second time to-morrow.
10th October, 1916.

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

The Bethlehem Chapel (Tryddyn) Charity Bill was, according to Order, read a second time.

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

The Piagah Chapel (Tryddyn) Charity Bill was, according to Order, read a second time.

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

The Moriah Chapel (Broughton) Charity Bill was, according to Order, read a second time.

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

The Congregational Chapels Charity Bill was, according to Order, read a second time.

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

The Plymouth Workhouse Charities 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. Rea.)

The House, according to Order, resolved itself into a Committee on the Court of Session Bill.

The Holligrave Charity Bill was, according to Order, read a second time.

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

The Stony Stratford Charities 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. Rea.)

The Baptist Chapels Charities 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. Rea.)

The Burnham-on-Crouch Chapel Charity Bill was, according to Order, read a second time.

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

The Bradford (Infirmary Street) Baptist Chapel Charity Bill was, according to Order, read a second time.

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

The Bradninch Chapel Charity Bill was, according to Order, read a second time.

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

The House, according to Order, resolved itself into a Committee on Navy and Army Expenditure, 1914–15.

(In the Committee.)

I. Whereas it appears by the Navy Appropriation Account for the year ended 31st day of March 1915, and the Statement appended thereto, as follows, viz.—

(a) That the aggregate expenditure on Navy Services exceeded the aggregate sums appropriated in aid of those Services by a sum of £52,284,867 14s. 9d.;

(b) That the aggregate receipts in aid of Navy Services exceeded the aggregate sums appropriated in aid of those Services by a sum of £533,005 7s. 2d.;

(c) That, as shown in the Schedule hereunto appended, the total differences between the Exchequer Grants for Navy Services and the net expenditure are as follows, viz.:

| Total Surpluses | £ 191,491 9 3 |
| Total Deficits | 51,943,353 16 10 |
| Net Deficit (charged against the Vote of Credit) | £51,751,882 7 7 |

And whereas a Vote of Parliament during the present Session (House of Commons Paper, No. 108 of 1916) a further sum of £100 has been granted for the expenditure of the year 1914–15, and the appropriation of additional receipts in aid of such expenditure has been sanctioned to the amount of £532,905 7s. 2d.;
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And whereas the Lords Commissioners of His Majesty's Treasury have temporarily authorised the application of the said total surpluses on certain Grants for Navy Services to make good part of the deficit on Vote 1:

1. Resolved, That the application of such sums be sanctioned.—(Mr. Rea.)

Schedule.

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(a) That the aggregate expenditure on Army Services exceeded the aggregate sums appropriated for those Services by a sum of £215,106,538 19s. 10d.;

(b) That the aggregate receipts in aid of Army Services exceeded the aggregate sums appropriated in aid of those Services by a sum of £5,258,997 3s. 11d.;

(c) That, as shown in the Schedule hereunto appended, the total differences between the Exchequer Grants for Army 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 the said total surpluses on certain Grants for Army Services to make good part of the deficit on Vote 1:

2. Resolved, That the application of such sums be sanctioned.—(Mr. Rea.)

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Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair; and the Deputy Chairman reported, That the Committee had come to several Resolutions.

Ordered, That the Report be received to-morrow.

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The Order of the day being read, for the Committee on the Dublin Reconstruction (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 Committee on the Special Register Bill:

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

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

Resolved, That this House will, 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 22nd 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 before Seven of the clock, adjourned till to-morrow.

Wednesday, 11th October 1916.

PRAYERS.

Rhodes Estate Bill [Lords.]

The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Rhodes Estate Bill [Lords]:

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

Saint Pancras Borough (West Division) Writ.

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 Pancras (West Division), in the room of Captain Felix Cassel, k.c., 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. McKinnon Wood presented, pursuant to the directions of an Act of Parliament,—Copy of Regulations, dated 21st September 1916, made by the National Health Insurance Joint Committee, the Insurance Commissioners, the Irish Insurance Commissioners, the Scottish Insurance Commissioners, and the Welsh Insurance Commissioners, entitling the National Health Insurance (Irish Migratory Labourers) Consolidated Regulations, 1916.

Copy of Regulations, dated 21st September 1916, made by the National Health Insurance Joint Committee, the Insurance Commissioners, the Irish Insurance Commissioners, the Scottish Insurance Commissioners, and the Welsh Insurance Commissioners, entitling the National Health Insurance (Exempt Persons) Consolidated Regulations (Ireland), 1916.

Copy of Regulations, dated 11th September 1916, made by the National Health Insurance Joint Committee and the Irish Insurance Commissioners, entitled the National Health Insurance (Insurance Committees) Consolidated Regulations (Ireland), 1916.

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Mr. Montagu presented, pursuant to the directions of an Act of Parliament,—Copy of the Munitions (Tribunals) Amendment Rules, 1916.

Copy of the Munitions (Ordering of Work) Amendment Regulation, 1916.

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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 Schedule, containing a list and particulars of Clerks of County Councils, and Town Clerks which are not considered of sufficient value to justify their preservation in the Public Record Office.

A Motion was made, and the Question being put:—That the proceedings on Government Business be not interrupted this night under the Standing Order (Sittings of the House), and may be entered upon at any hour though opposed—(The Prime Minister):

The House divided.

The Yeas to the Right;

The Noes to the Left.

Tellers for the Yeas, Lord Edmund Talbot: 161.

Tellers for the Noes, Colonel Tate: 63.

So it was resolved in the Affirmative.

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

(In the Committee.)

Supplementary Vote of Credit, 1916-17.

Resolved, That a Supplementary sum not exceeding £300,000,000 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 1917 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.
7 GEO. V. 11th October.

And whereas by a Vote of Parliament during the present Session (House of Commons Paper, No. 108 of 1916) a further sum of £100 has been granted for the expenditure of the year 1914–15, and the appropriation of additional receipts in aid of such expenditure has been sanctioned to the amount of £532,905 7s. 2d.:

And whereas the Lords Commissioners of His Majesty's Treasury have temporarily authorized the application of the said total surpluses on certain Grants for Navy Services to make good part of the deficit on Vote 1:

1. That the application of such sums be sanctioned.

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The Order of the day being read, for the Registration of Business Names Bill [Lords].
Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time to-morrow.

The Order of the day being read, for the Larceny Bill [Lords].
Resolved, That this House will, to-morrow, resolve itself into the said Committee.

The Order of the day being read, for the Holligrave Charity Bill.
Resolved, That this House will, to-morrow, resolve itself into the said Committee.

The Order of the day being read, for the Stone Endon Charities Bill.
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The Order of the day being read, for the Baptist Chapel Charity Bill.
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The Order of the day being read, for the Committee on the Congregational Chapels Charities 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 Plymouth Workhouse Charities 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 Dublin Reconstruction (Emergency Provisions) 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 22nd 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 Eight of the clock, adjourned till to-morrow.

Thursday, 12th October 1916.

PRAYERS.

The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Rhodes Estate Bill [Lords].

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

Mr. Secretary Samuel presented, by His Majesty's Command,—Copy of Report of the Royal Commission appointed to inquire and report concerning the Arrest and subsequent treatment of Mr. Francis Sheehy Skeffington, Mr. Thomas Dickson, and Mr. Patrick James McIntyre.

Mr. Secretary Samuel also presented, pursuant to the directions of an Act of Parliament,—Copies of Orders made under the Acts, Act, 1912, by the Councils of the aforementioned Local Authorities, and confirmed by the Secretary of State for the Home Department:—

County of London (Metropolitan Boroughs of Hackney and Stoke Newington).

County Borough of Grimsby.

Borough of Chelmsford.

Urban Districts of Acton and Barry (two).

Rural District of Kingswinford.

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

Mr. Secretary Chamberlain presented, pursuant to the directions of an Act of Parliament,—Return of all Loans raised in England under the provisions of any Acts of Parliament, chargeable on the Revenues of India, outstanding at the commencement of the half-year ended on the 30th September 1916, with the rates of interest and total amount payable thereon, and the date of the termination of each Loan, the debt incurred during the half-year, the moneys raised thereby during the half-year, the Loans paid off or discharged during the half-year, and the Loans outstanding at the close of the half-year; stating, so far as the public convenience will allow, the purpose or service for which the Loans have been raised during the half-year.

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

Ordered, That the proceedings on Government Business be not interrupted this night under the Standing Order (Sittings of the House), and may be entered upon at any hour though opposed. (The Prime Minister.)

Resolved, That this House, at its rising this Sitting of day, do adjourn till Tuesday next.—(The Prime Minister.)

Mr. Rea reported from the Committee of Supply [11th Supply of the 11th day of this instant October] a Resolution; which was read, as follows:

Supplementary Vote of Credit, 1916–17.

That a Supplementary sum not exceeding Supplementary £300,000,000 be granted to His Majesty, beyond the ordinary Grants of Parliament, towards defraying the Expenses which may be incurred during the year ending on the 31st day of March 1917 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.

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

Mr. Rea reported from the Committee of Ways and Means of the 11th day of this instant October several Resolutions; which were read, as follows:

1. That, towards making good the Supply granted to His Majesty for the service of the year ending on the 31st day of March 1915, the sum of £120 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 1917, the sum of £330,630,283 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 Consolidated said Resolutions: And that the Chairman of Fund (No. 5) Ways and Means, Mr. Chancellor of the Exchequer, and Mr. McKinnon Wood do prepare and bring it in.

Mr. McKinnon Wood accordingly presented Consolidated 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 fifteen and one thousand nine hundred and seventeen: And the same was read the first time, and ordered to be read a second time upon Tuesday next; and to be printed.
The Order of the day being read, for the 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 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 taking into consideration the Defence of the Realm (Acquisition of Land) Bill, as amended in the Committee;
Ordered, That the Bill be taken into consideration upon Tuesday next.

The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Registration of Business Names Bill [Lords];
Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time upon Tuesday next.

The Order of the day being read, for the Committee on the Larceny Bill [Lords];
Resolved, That this House will, upon Tuesday next, resolve itself into the said Committee.

The Order of the day being read, for the Committee on the Holligrove Charity Bill;
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 Stony Stratford Charities Bill;
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 Baptist Chapels Charities Bill;
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 Burnham-on-Crouch Chapel Charity Bill;
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 Bradford (Infirmary Street) Baptist Chapel Charity Bill;
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 Bradninch Chapel Charity Bill;
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 Bethlehem Chapel (Tryddyn) Charity Bill;
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 Pisgah Chapel (Tryddyn) Charity Bill;
Resolved, That this House will, upon Tuesday next, resolve itself into the said Committee.

The Order of the day being read, for the Moriah Chapel Committee on the Moriah Chapel (Broughton) Charity Bill;
Resolved, That this House will, upon Tuesday next, resolve itself into the said Committee.

The Order of the day being read, for the Bethany Committee on the Bethany Chapel Charity Bill;
Resolved, That this House will, upon Tuesday next, resolve itself into the said Committee.

The Order of the day being read, for the Congregational Committee on the Congregational Chapels Charities Bill;
Resolved, That this House will, upon Tuesday next, resolve itself into the said Committee.

The Order of the day being read, for the Plymouth Workhouse Charities Bill;
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 Dublin Reconstruction (Emergency Provisions) Bill;
Resolved, That this House will, upon Tuesday next, resolve itself into the said Committee.

Whereupon Mr. Speaker, pursuant to the Adjournment. Order of the House of the 22nd 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 Ten of the clock, adjourned till Tuesday next, pursuant to the Resolution of the House of this day.

Tuesday, 17th October 1916.

PRAYERS.

Mr. Duke presented, by His Majesty's Command, Copy of Seventy-eighth Annual Report by the Department of Agriculture and Technical Instruction for Ireland of the Loan Fund System of Ireland, 1915.

Mr. Duke also presented, Return to an Magistrates Order, dated the 4th day of July last, for a (Ireland), Return relative to Magistrates (Ireland).
Ordered, That the said Papers do lie upon the Table.

Mr. Secretary Bonar Law presented, by His Malay States, Majesty's Command, Copy of Report for 1915 on the Federated Malay States.

Copies of Reports for 1915 on the Unfederated Malay States under British Protection.

Copy of Report for 1915 on the State of Brunei.

Copies of Colonial Reports, Nos. 902 (Somali-land, Report for 1915-16), 903 (Cyprus, Report for 1915-16), and 904 (Ceylon, Report for 1915).
Ordered, That the said Papers do lie upon the Table.
Mr. McKinnon Wood presented, by His Majesty's Command,—Copy of Eleventh Report of the Meteorological Committee to the Lords Commissioners of His Majesty's Treasury, for the year ending 31st March 1916.

Mr. McKinnon Wood also presented, pursuant to the directions of several Acts of Parliament,—Copy of Accounts of Receipts and Expenditure of Universities and Colleges, Ireland (including the Fee Fund Grant), for the year ended 31st March 1916; 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 1916, with the Report of the Comptroller and Auditor General thereon.

Ordered, That the said Papers do lie upon the Table; and that the Papers relative to the Irish Universities Act, 1908, and Chelsea Hospital (Army Prize Money and Legacy Funds) be printed.

Mr. Acland presented, pursuant to the directions of several Acts of Parliament,—Copies of Orders under the Destructive Insects and Pests Acts, numbered D.I.P. 373 to 375, 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 Samuel presented, by His Majesty's Command,—Copy of Report of the Royal Commission on Historical Manuscripts of Allan George Finch, Esquire, Volume II.

Mr. Secretary Samuel also 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:—

Boroughs of Bootle and Morecambe (two), Dewsbury, Swansea.

City of Bradford.

County of London (Metropolitan Borough of Stepney).

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

Mr. Montagu presented, pursuant to the directions of an Act of Parliament,—Copy of the Munitions (Tribunals) (Scotland) Amendment, No. 2, Rules, 1916.

Copy of the Munitions (Tribunals) (Ireland) Amendment Rules, 1916.

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

Captain Richard Wheldon Burnett, Member for the Borough of Saint Pancras (West Division), was sworn.

Ordered, That the period of suspension from the service of the House of Mr. Ginnell do terminate this day.—(The Prime Minister.)

The Consolidated Fund (No. 5) 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 Special Committee on the Special Register Bill;

Resolved, 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, 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 taking Defence of into consideration the Defence of the Realm (Acquisition of Land) Bill, as amended in the Lords Committee;

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

The Order of the day being read, for the Registration of Business Names Bill [Lords];

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

The Order of the day being read, for the Larceny Bill Committee on the Larceny Bill [Lords];

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

The Order of the day being read, for the Holligrave Committee on the Holligrave Charity Bill;

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

The Order of the day being read, for the Baptist Committee on the Baptist Chapels Charities (Unipals) Bill;

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

The Order of the day being read, for the Burnham-on-Committee on the Burnham-on-Crouch Chapel Charity Bill;

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

The Order of the day being read, for the Bradford Committee on the Bradford (Infirmary Street) Baptist Chapel Charity Bill;

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

The Order of the day being read, for the Bredinfresh Committee on the Bradinch Chapel Charity Bill;

Resolved, That this House will, to-morrow, resolve itself into the said Committee.

The Order of the day being read, for the Bethlem Chapel Committee on the Bethlehem Chapel (Tryddyn) Charity 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 Pingh Chapel (Tryddyn) Charity Bill;

Resolved, That this House will, to-morrow, resolve itself into the said Committee.

Moriah Chapel (Broughton) Charity 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 Bethany Chapel Charity Bill;

Resolved, That this House will, to-morrow, resolve itself into the said Committee.

Congregational Chapels Charities Bill.

Resolved, That this House will, to-morrow, resolve itself into the said Committee.

Plymouth Workhouse Charities Bill.

Resolved, That this House will, to-morrow, resolve itself into the said Committee.

Dublin Reconstruction (Emergency Provisions) Bill.

Resolved, 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 22nd 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 Nine of the clock, adjourned till to-morrow.

Wednesday, 18th October 1916.

Mr. Long presented, pursuant to the directions of an Act of Parliament,—Copy of Thirteenth Annual Report of the Metropolitan Water Board.

Ordered, That the said Paper do lie upon the Table.

The House, according to Order, resolved itself into a Committee on the Consolidated Fund (No. 5) Bill.

(In the Committee.)

Clauses 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 read the third time to-morrow.

A Motion was made, and the Question being proposed, That the system of government at present maintained in Ireland is inconsistent with the principles for which the Allies are fighting in Europe, and has been mainly responsible for the recent unhappy events and for the present state of feeling in that country (Mr. John Redmond);

An Amendment was proposed to be made to the Question, in l. 1, by leaving out from the word "That" to the end of the Question, and adding the words "having regard to the importance of the United Kingdom of Great Britain and Ireland combining with the rest of the Empire in presenting a united front to the enemy, it is undesirable at the present time to discuss matters of controversial domestic politics (Mr. Raw¬Donnau),—instead thereof.

And the Question being put, That the words proposed to be left out stand part of the Question:

The House divided.

The Yeas to the Right;

The Noes to the Left.

Tellers for the Yeas,—Mr. Patrick O’Brien, 106.

Mr. Captain Donelan:

Tellers for the Noes,—1 Lord Edmond Talbot: 303.

So it passed in the Negative.

And the Question being proposed, That those words be there added:—And a Debate arising thereupon;

And it being after Eleven of the clock, and objection being taken to further proceeding, the Debate stood adjourned.

The Order of the day being read, for the 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 Registration Second Reading of the Registration of Business Names Bill [Lords];

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time to-morrow.

The Order of the day being read, for the Larceny Bill Committee on the Larceny Bill [Lords];

Resolved, That this House will, to-morrow, resolve itself into the said Committee.

The Order of the day being read, for the Holligrave Charity Bill Committee on the Holligrave Charity Bill;

Resolved, That this House will, to-morrow, resolve itself into the said Committee.

The Order of the day being read, for the Stony Stratford Charities Bill;

Resolved, That this House will, to-morrow, resolve itself into the said Committee.
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The Order of the day being read, for the Committee on the Baptist Chapels Charities 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 Burnham-on-Crouch Chapel Charity 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 Bradninch Chapel Charity 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 Bethlehem Chapel (Tryddyn) Charity 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 Pisgah Chapel (Tryddyn) Charity 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 Moriah Chapel (Broughton) Charity 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 Bethany Chapel Charity 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 Congregational Chapels Charities 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 Plymouth Workhouse Charities 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 Dublin Reconstruction (Emergency Provisions) 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 22nd day of February last, proposed the Question, That this House do now adjourn. Vol. 171.

And the Question being put:—It was resolved in the Affirmative.

And accordingly the House, having continued to sit till eighteen minutes after Eleven of the clock, adjourned till to-morrow.

Thursday, 19th October 1916.

PRAYERS.

ORDERED, That Mr. Speaker do issue his Warrant to the Clerk of the Crown in County (North Fermanagh) Ireland, to make out a new Writ for the electing of a Member to serve in this present Parliament for the County of Fermanagh (North Fermanagh Division), in the room of Godfrey Petherstonhaugh, Esquire, K.C., who, since his Election for the said county, hath accepted the Office of Steward or Bailiff of His Majesty's Manor of Northstead, in the County of York.—(Lord Edmund Talbot.)

A Petition of Charles Dryer Tranton, of 5, Tranton v. Bernard Street, in the County of London, AVOC.

Journalist, was presented, and read; setting forth that an action was entered in the King's Bench Division of the High Court of Justice, entitled Tranton v. Astor, and praying that leave may be given to the proper Officer of the House to attend at the hearing to produce and prove certain necessary documents, and to render the said Petitioner such other assistance as may be necessary.

Ordered, That leave be given to the proper Officer to attend accordingly.

Mr. Duke presented, pursuant to the directions Penal of an Act of Parliament,—Copy of Licence Servitude Acts granted to John Langton under the provisions to which are annexed conditions other than those contained in Schedule A of the Penal Servitude Act, 1864.

Ordered, That the said Paper do lie upon the Table.


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The Lord Advocate presented, by His Inebriates Majesty's Command,—Copy of Eleventh Report Majesties under the Inebriates Acts, of the Inspector for Scotland under the 1914 and 1915. Inebriates Acts, for the years 1914 and 1915.

Ordered, That the said Paper do lie upon the Table.

Mr. Runciman presented, pursuant to the Trading with directions of an Act of Parliament,—Copy of the Enemy Supplementary List of Persons, Firms, and Companies as to whom Orders have been made under Section 1 (1) of the Trading with the Enemy (Amendment) Act, 1916.

Ordered, That the said Paper do lie upon the Table.

Resolved, That this House, at its rising this sittings of day, do adjourn till Tuesday next. —(Mr. the House. Secretary Bowar Law.)

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The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Consolidated Fund (No. 5) Bill ;
Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time ;
And a Motion being made, and the Question being proposed, That the Bill be now read the third time ;
Ordered, That it be an Instruction to the Committee on the Bill that they have power, if they think fit, to amend Clause 4 of the Bill so as to make the Scholarships substituted for those established pursuant to the German codicil available for students from such places, whether within or without the British Empire, as the trustees may from time to time in their discretion determine,—(Lord Hugh Cecil.)
And a Motion being made, and the Question "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, and committed.
Ordered, That the postponed proceeding on the Question, by leaving out the word "now," and, at the end of the Question, adding the words "upon this day three months." —(Mr. King.)
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, and committed.
Ordered, That it be an Instruction to the Committee on the Bill that they have power, if they think fit, to amend Clause 4 of the Bill so as to make the Scholarships substituted for those established pursuant to the German codicil available for students from such places, whether within or without the British Empire, as the trustees may from time to time in their discretion determine,—(Lord Hugh Cecil.)
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 words "upon this day three months.")
And the Main Question being put ;
Ordered, That the Bill be now read a second time :—The Bill was accordingly read a second time, and committed.
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 words "upon this day three months.")

The Order of the day being read, for the Registration of Business Names Bill [Lords];
Resolved, That the Bill be read a second time upon Tuesday next.

The Order of the day being read, for the Bethany Chapel Charity Bill ;
Resolved, That this House will, upon Tuesday next, resolve itself into the said Committee.

The Order of the day being read, for the Baptists' Chapels in the Counties of Stafford and Shropshire Bill ;
Resolved, That this House will, upon Tuesday next, resolve itself into the said Committee.

The Order of the day being read, for the Baptist Chapel Charity Bill ;
Resolved, That this House will, upon Tuesday next, resolve itself into the said Committee.

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Resolved, That this House will, upon Tuesday next, resolve itself into the said Committee.

The Order of the day being read, for the Baptist Chapel Charity Bill ;
Resolved, That this House will, upon Tuesday next, resolve itself into the said Committee.
Tuesday, 24th October 1916.

PRAyERS.

Lord Robert Cecil presented, by His Majesty's Command,—Copy of Report on the Typhus Epidemic at Gardelegen by the Government Committee on the Treatment by the Enemy of British Prisoners of War during the Spring and Summer of 1915.

Ordered, That the said Paper do lie upon the Table.

Mr. Runciman, pursuant to the directions of an Act of Parliament,—Copy of General Rule made pursuant to the Bankruptcy Act, 1914, dated 15th September 1916, with reference to Money seized or received by High Bailiffs in part satisfaction of an Execution.

Ordered, That the said Paper do lie upon the Table.

Mr. Secretary Samuel presented, pursuant to the directions of an Act of Parliament,—Copy of a Licence under the Penal Servitude Acts granted to a Convict, discharging her from a Home.

Ordered, That the said Paper do lie upon the Table.

Mr. M. Kinnon Wood presented, pursuant to the directions of an Act of Parliament,—Copy of Regulations made by the Scottish Insurance Commissioners, dated 28th September 1916, entitled the National Health Insurance (Qualifications of Midwives) Regulations (Scotland), 1916.

Ordered, That the said Paper do lie upon the Table.

Mr. Acland, pursuant to the directions of an Act of Parliament,—Copies of Orders under the Destructive Insects and Pests Acts, numbered D.I.P. 369 and 376, 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.

Mr. Secretary Lloyd George, presented by His Majesty's Command,—Copy of Statement of Expenditure for the purposes of the Wart Disease of Potatoes Act, 1914, dated 15th September 1916, with reference to Money seized or received by High Bailiffs in part satisfaction of an Execution.

Ordered, That the said Paper do lie upon the Table; and be printed.

Mr. George Terrell, Member for Wiltshire, was called the Honourable Douglas George Carnegie, sworn.

Resolved, That the Reports of the Committee Public Accounts be now taken into consideration. (Colonel Sir Robert Williams.)

The House, according to Order, resolved itself into a Committee on the Larceny Bill [Lords]. (In the Committee.)

Clauses No. 1 to No. 32 agreed to.

Clauses No. 33 amended, and agreed to.

Clauses No. 34 to No. 40 agreed to.

Clause No. 41 amended, and agreed to.

Clause No. 42 to No. 50 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, made Amendments thereto.

Ordered, That the Bill, as amended in the Committee, be now taken into consideration:—The House accordingly proceeded to take the Bill into consideration.

Ordered, That the Bill be now read the third time:—The Bill was accordingly read the third time and passed, with Amendments.

Ordered, That the Clerk do carry the Bill to the Lords; and acquaint them that this House hath agreed to the same, with Amendments; to which this House doth desire the concurrence of their Lordships.

The House, according to Order, resolved itself into a Committee on the Holligrave Charity 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 House, according to Order, resolved itself into a Committee on the Stony Stratford Charities 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 House, according to Order, resolved itself into a Committee on the Baptist Chapels Charities 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 House, according to Order, resolved itself into a Committee on the Bradninch Chapel Charity 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 House, according to Order, resolved itself into a Committee on the Bradford (Infirmary Street) Baptist Chapel Charity 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 House, according to Order, resolved itself into a Committee on the Bradninch Chapel Charity 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 House, according to Order, resolved itself into a Committee on the Pisgah Chapel Charity 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 House, according to Order, resolved itself into a Committee on the Congregational Chapels Charities 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 House, according to Order, resolved itself into a Committee on the Bethany Chapel Charity 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 House, according to Order, resolved itself into a Committee on the Plymouth Workhouse Charities 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 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 taking the Defence of the Realm (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 Registration of Business of Business Names Bill [Lords];

Resolved, That the Bill be read a second time to-morrow.

The Order of the day being read, for the Supply Committee of Supply;

Resolved, That this House will, to-morrow, resolve itself into the said Committee.

The Order of the day being read, for the Ways and Means Committee of Supply;

Resolved, That this House will, to-morrow, resolve itself into the said Committee.

The Order of the day being read, for the Registration of Business of Business Names Bill [Lords];

Resolved, That the Bill be read a second time to-morrow.

The Order of the day being read, for the Special Register Bill;

Resolved, That this House will, to-morrow, resolve itself into the said Committee.

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Resolved, That this House will, to-morrow, resolve itself into the said Committee.

The Order of the day being read, for the Registration of Business of Business Names Bill [Lords];

Resolved, That the Bill be read a second time to-morrow.

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Resolved, That the Bill be read a second time to-morrow.

The Order of the day being read, for the Special Register Bill;

Resolved, That this House will, to-morrow, resolve itself into the said Committee.

Whereupon Mr. Speaker, pursuant to the adjournment, ordered the House to continue to sit till eight minutes before Nine of the clock, adjourned till to-morrow.

And accordingly the House, having continued to sit till eight minutes before Nine of the clock, adjourned till to-morrow.

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PRAYERS.

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 for the County of Cork (West Cork Division), in the room of James Gilhooley, Esquire, deceased. (Mr. Maurice Healy.)

A Public Petition was presented, and read; and ordered to lie upon the Table.

Lord Robert Cecil presented, by His Majesty's Command,—Copy of Treaties, &c., between the United Kingdom and Foreign States; Accessions, Withdrawals, &c. [In continuation of Treaty Series (No. 10, 1915).]

Ordered, That the said Paper do lie upon the Table.

Mr. Secretary Samuel presented, by His Majesty's Command,—Copy of Eighteenth Report of the Royal Commission on Historical Manuscripts.

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 Account of the Irish Land Commission for the year ended 31st March 1916, and from 22nd August 1881 to 31st March 1916; together with the Report of the Comptroller and Auditor General thereon.

Ordered, That the said Paper be printed.

Lord Robert Cecil presented a Bill to amend the Law relating to Trading with the Enemy and the export of prohibited goods: And the same was ordered to be read a second time to-morrow; and to be printed.

Mr. Pretyman, supported by Mr. Steel-Maitland, presented a Bill to prohibit the use of the word Anzac in connection with any trade, business, or profession: And the same was ordered to be read a second time to-morrow; and to be printed.

Questions to Ministers.

The House, according to Order, proceeded to take into consideration the Defence of the Realm (Acquisition of Land) Bill, as amended in the Committee.

A Clause (Application of building laws)—(Mr. Percy Harris)—was twice read; and made part of the Bill.

Another Clause was offered to be added to the Bill (Particulars of valuations to be ascertained and recorded).—(Mr. Dundas White.)

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. 18, by inserting, after the word "Commission," the words " upon the ground that an extension of time is necessary for urgent national requirements." (Mr. Rawlinson.)

And the Question being proposed, That those words be there inserted in the Bill:—The said proposed Amendment was, with leave of the House, withdrawn.

Another Amendment was proposed to be made to the Bill, in p. 1, l. 20, by leaving out the word "five," and inserting the word "two."—(Mr. Rawlinson),—instead thereof.

And the Question being put, That the word "five" 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. 7, by inserting, after the word "rent," the words "and compensation for loss and damage, if any, suffered."—(Mr. Rawlinson.)

And the Question being proposed, That those words be there inserted in the Bill:—The said proposed Amendment was, with leave of the House, withdrawn.

Then another Amendment was made to the Bill.

Another Amendment was proposed to be made to the Bill, in p. 3, l. 12, by inserting, after the word "soil," the words "or other causes arising from the use to which it has been put."—(Mr. Bexton.)

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. 13, by leaving out the words "the Commission," and inserting the words "by an arbitrator to be agreed upon by the parties, or, in default of agreement, by the President of the Surveyors' Institution."—(Mr. Rawlinson),—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.

Another Amendment was proposed to be made to the Bill, in p. 3, l. 14 to 16, inclusive, and inserting the words—"(3) Where any such buildings or works have been erected or constructed upon any common, open space, or allotment, the building or work shall be removed and the land restored as aforesaid, except so far as the Board of Agriculture and Fisheries certify that such removal or restoration is not required in the interests of the persons interested in the land or the public"—(Mr. Solicitor General),—instead thereof.

And the Question being proposed, That the words proposed to be left out stand part of the Bill:—It passed in the Negative.

Another Amendment was proposed to be made to the Bill, in p. 3, l. 16, by leaving out Is. 14 to 16, inclusive, and inserting the words—"(3) Where any such buildings or works have been erected or constructed upon any common, open space, or allotment, the building or work shall be removed and the land restored as aforesaid, except so far as the Board of Agriculture and Fisheries certify that such removal or restoration is not required in the interests of the persons interested in the land or the public"—(Mr. Solicitor General),—instead thereof.

And the Question being proposed, That those words be there inserted in the Bill;—The proposed words were amended, by leaving out the words "Board of Agriculture and Fisheries certify," and inserting the words "local authority certificates."—(Sir John Tudor Walters),—instead thereof; and those inserted in the Bill.

Another Amendment was proposed to be made to the Bill, in p. 3, l. 36, by leaving out
subsection (2) of Clause 3.—(Sir Frederick Banbury.)

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. 16, by inserting, after the word "three," the words "but not later than three years after the termination of the present war."—(Mr. Solicitor General.)

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. 31, by inserting at the end thereof the words "Provided that the compulsory powers of purchase under this section shall not come into operation until the termination of the present war."—(Mr. Brunner.)

And the Question being put, That the words proposed to be left out stand part of the said proposed Amendment:—The Amendment to the said proposed Amendment was, with leave of the House, withdrawn.

And the Question being put, That the words " but not later than three years after the termination of the present war " be there inserted in the Bill:—It was resolved in the Affirmative.

Another Amendment was proposed to be made to the Bill, in p. 5, l. 16, by leaving out paragraph (b).—(Sir Frederick Banbury.)

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. 27, by leaving out paragraph (d), and inserting the words—

"(d) nothing in this section shall authorise the pollution of, or abstraction of water from, any river or stream in any case where the Local Government Board, on the application of the local authority of any district, or of any board of conservators or other similar public authority constituted under any Act and having powers with respect to the pollution of rivers, determines that such pollution or abstraction would affect the flow or purity of such river or stream to such extent as to prejudice the health of, or the supply of water to, the inhabitants of the district "—(Mr. Solicitor General.),—instead thereof.

The House divided.

Tellers for the

Mr. Ashley,

Yeas, 43.

Tellers for the

Mr. Rutland,

Noes, 158.

So it passed in the Negative.

Another Amendment was proposed to be made to the Bill, in p. 6, l. 18, by inserting, after the word "shall," the words "unless such land is land upon which buildings of a permanent nature have been erected, or is land used in connection with such buildings."—(Dr. Addison.)

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, by inserting, after the word "erected," the words "by or at the expense of a Government department."—(Mr. Ashley.)

And the Question being proposed, That those words be there inserted in the Bill:

Then other Amendments were made to the Bill.

Another Amendment was proposed to be made to the Bill, in p. 8, l. 22, by leaving out Clause 8.—(Mr. Rawlinson.)

And the Question being proposed, That the words proposed to be left out, to the word "or," in l. 36, 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. 11, l. 2, by inserting, after the first word "interest," the words "or is a national reserve."—(Mr. Brunner.)

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. 11, l. 11, by inserting, after the word "undertaking," the words "other than land which, before the commencement of the present war, had ceased to be used for the purposes of the undertaking."—(Dr. Addison.)

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, in l. 1, by leaving out from the word "than" to the end of the proposed Amendment, and inserting the words
And the Question being put, That the words proposed to be left out stand part of the said proposed Amendment:—It was resolved in the Affirmative.

And the Question being put, That the words “other than land which, before the commencement of the present war, had ceased to be used for the purposes of the undertaking” be there inserted in the Bill:—It was resolved in the Affirmative.

And the Question being put, That the words "of the appropriate Government department or,"—(Sir Frederick Banbury.)

And the Question being proposed, That those words be there inserted in the Bill:

The proposed Amendment was amended, in l. 2, by leaving out the word “two,” and inserting the word “three”—(Sir Frederick Banbury)—instead thereof.

And the Question being put, That the words “provided that such consent, if given, shall not authorise the retention of possession for a longer period than three years after the termination of the war” 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. 11, l. 19, by inserting, after the word “college,” the words “provided that such consent, if given, shall not authorise the retention of possession for a longer period than two years after the termination of the war.”—(Mr. Currie.)

And the Question being proposed, That those words be there inserted in the Bill:

The proposed Amendment was amended, in l. 2, by leaving out the word “two,” and inserting the word “three”—(Sir Frederick Banbury)—instead thereof.

And the Question being put, That the words “provided that such consent, if given, shall not authorise the retention of possession for a longer period than three years after the termination of the war” 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. 11, l. 27, by inserting at the end thereof the words—

“(3) Nothing in this Act shall alter, vary, or prejudice any agreement or undertaking made or given by or on behalf of any Government department with respect to any land, or any interest therein, possession of which has been taken for purposes connected with the present war.”—(Mr. Percy Harris.)

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. 14, l. 24, by leaving out from the words last inserted to the end of the paragraph, and inserting the words “The Government department shall not acquire or enjoy a natural right of support under other lands belonging to the vendor outside the distance of forty yards, or other the prescribed distance, unless in the judgment of the Commission such further lateral support is necessary for the protection of the land”—(Colonel Gretton),—instead thereof.

And the Question being put, That the words proposed to be left out, to the word “shall,” in l. 25, stand part of the Bill:—The said proposed Amendment was, with leave of the House, withdrawn.

Then other Amendments were made to the Bill.

Another Amendment was proposed to be made to the Bill, in p. 15, l. 3, by leaving out the words “of the amount claimed.”—(Mr. Rawlinson.)

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.

A Motion was made, and the Question being proposed, That the Bill be now read the third time:—And a Debate arising thereupon;

And a Motion being made, and the Question being put, That the Debate be now adjourned—(Mr. Rawlinson):—It was resolved in the Affirmative.

Ordered, That the Debate be resumed upon Tuesday next.

Ordered, That the Bill, as amended on consideration, be printed.

The Order of the day being read, for the Special Committee on the Special Register 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 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 Registration Second Reading of the Registration of Business Names Bill [Lords]

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time to-morrow.

The Order of the day being read, for the Dublin Committee on the Dublin Reconstruction (Emergency Provisions) Bill;

Resolved, That this House will, to-morrow, resolve itself into the said Committee.

Whereupon Mr. Deputy Speaker, pursuant to Adjournment, to the Order of the House of the 22nd 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 22nd day of February last, it being then Ten of the clock, till to-morrow.

Thursday, 26th October 1916.

PRAYERS.

MR. Runciman presented, pursuant to the National direction of several Acts of Parliament,—Insurance Copy of Regulations made by the Board of (Unemployment) Acts, Inspectors (Unemployment Insurance) Regulations, 1916.

Copy of Regulations, dated 22nd September Trade Boards Act, 1916, made by the Board of Trade under Act, 1909, Section 11 of the Trade Boards Act, 1909, with
Mr. Herbert Lewis presented, pursuant to the directions of an Act of Parliament,—Copy of Order in Council under the Naval and Marine Pay and Pensions Act, 1865, dated 24th October 1916, approving a Memorial of the Lords Commissioners of the Admiralty.

Copy of Order in Council under the Naval Agency and Distribution Act, 1864, dated 24th October 1916, relating to the distribution of Prize Bounty, &c.

Copy of Order in Council under the Fugitive Offenders Acts, 1881 and 1915, dated 24th October 1916, entitled the Straits Settlements and Protected States Fugitive Offenders Order in Council, 1916.

Mr. Actland 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. 377 to 380, 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.

Mr. Speaker acquainted the House that a Message had been brought from the Lords by the Secretary of State for the Home Department respecting the early closing of Shops, and the pleasure of the House for the purpose of discussing a definite matter having been signified, the Motion stood over, having been signified, the Motion stood over, for the purpose of discussing a definite matter for the purpose of discussing a definite matter.

A Motion was made, and the Question being adjourned, that This House do now adjourn—(under Standing Order No. 10, till a quarter of an hour after Eight of the clock, and leave having been given to move the adjournment of the House under Standing Order No. 10, further proceeding was postponed without Question put.

A Motion was made, and the Question was put, That the Question be now put ; but claimed, but Mr. Speaker withheld his assent, and declared, and then to put that Question :—Then the House resumed the Debate.

Colonel Grettion rose in his place and claimed Closure to move, That the Question be now put ; but Mr. Speaker withheld his assent, and declared, and then to put that Question :—Then the House resumed the Debate.

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And it being Eleven of the clock, Mr. Speaker proceeded to interrupt the Business:

Whereupon Sir Frederick Banbury rose in his place and claimed to move, That the Question be now put ; but Mr. Speaker withheld his assent, and declared, and then to put that Question :—Then the House resumed the Debate.

And the Question being accordingly put :—The House divided.

The Yeas to the Right ;

The Noes to the Left ;

Tellers for the [Sir Edward Goulston] :—

Yes, [Mr. O' Grady ] :— 85.

Tellers for the [Mr. Gulland] ;—


So it passed in the Negative.

The Order of the day being read, for the Trading with the Enemy and Export of Prohibited Goods Bill ;

Mr. Speaker withdrew the Bill, and proceeded to read the same.
The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Anzac (Restriction on Trade Use of Word) Bill; Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time upon Tuesday next.

The Order of the day being read, for the Committee on the Special Register Bill; Resolved, That this House will, upon Tuesday 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 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 Tuesday next, resolve itself into the said Committee.

The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Registration of Business Names Bill [Lords]; Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time upon Tuesday next.

The Order of the day being read, for the Committee on the Dublin Reconstruction (Emergency Provisions) Bill; Resolved, That this House will, upon Tuesday next, resolve itself into the said Committee.

A Motion being made, That this House will, upon Tuesday next, resolve itself into a Committee to consider of authorising further provision, out of moneys provided by Parliament, for the pay of members of the Royal Irish Constabulary and Dublin Metropolitan Police, and for pensions, allowances, and gratuities to members of those forces, their widows and children.—(Mr. Duke); Mr. Duke, 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 Tuesday next, resolve itself into the said Committee.

Whereupon Mr. Speaker, pursuant to the Order of the House of the 22nd 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 22nd day of February last, Tuesday next, pursuant to the Resolution of the House of this day.

Mr. Montagu presented, by His Majesty's Munitions of War Command,—Copy of Memorandum No. 14, by the Health of Munition Workers Committee (Washing Facilities and Baths). 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 Council, 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. Herbert Lewis presented, pursuant to the Universities of Oxford and Cambridge Act, 1877, No. 59, June 1916, and sealed on 13th July 1916, amending Statutes III. and IV. of the Statutes of the Colleges. Ordered, That the said Paper do lie upon the Table.

Mr. McKinnon Wood presented, pursuant to the Registry of Deeds (Ireland) Acts, dated 30th October 1916, relative to Fees. Copy of Treasury Order under the Registry of Deeds (Ireland) Acts, dated 30th October 1916, for securing payment of Table Water Duties. Ordered, That the said Papers do lie upon the Table.

Mr. Secretary Bonar Law presented, by His Union of South Africa, to certain Trials in German South-West Africa. Copies of Colonial Reports, Nos. 905 (Straits Colonial Settlements, Report for 1915) and 906 (Grenada, Report for 1915—16). Copy of Regulations made under the Finance (New Duties) Act, 1916, for securing payment of Table Water Duties. Ordered, That the said Papers do lie upon the Table.

Mr. Duke presented, by His Majesty's Command,—Copy of Report of Statistics of Irish Agricultural Labourers for the year 1915. Ordered, That the said Paper do lie upon the Table.

Mr. Runciman presented, by His Majesty's Trading with Command,—Copy of Memorandum for the guidance of Controllers appointed under Sec-
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The Prevention of Corruption Bill was, Prevention of Corruption Bill.

Ordered, That the said Paper do lie upon the Table.

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Ordered, That the Bill be committed to a Committee of the whole House for to-morrow.—(Mr. Rea.)

The Trading with the Enemy and Export of Prohibited Goods 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. Rea.)

The Order of the day being read, for resuming the adjourned Debate on the Question proposed upon the 25th day of this instant October, That the Defence of the Realm (Acquisition of Land) Bill be now read the third time;

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 Special Committee on the Special Register 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 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 Dublin Reconstruction (Emergency Provisions) 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 Constabulary and Police (Ireland) [Money].

(In the Committee.)

Resolved, That it is expedient to authorise further provision, out of moneys provided by Parliament, for the pay of members of the Royal Irish Constabulary and Dublin Metropolitan Police, and for pensions, allowances, and gratuities to members of those forces, their widows and children.—(Mr. Duke.)

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.

A Motion being made, That this House will, to-morrow, resolve itself into a Committee to consider of authorising the payment of remuneration in respect of duties performed under any Act of the present Session to provide for the
Registration of firms and persons carrying on Business under Business Names — (Mr. James Hope);

Mr. Duke, by His Majesty’s Command, acquainted the House that His Majesty, having been informed of the subject-matter of this Motion, recommends it to the consideration of the House.

Resolved, That this House will, to-morrow, resolve itself into the said Committee.

Mr. Baldwin was nominated a Member of the Select Committee on House of Commons (Kitchen and Refreshment Rooms) — (Mr. James Hope.)

Adjournment. Whereupon Mr. Deputy Speaker, pursuant to the Order of the House of the 22nd 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 to-morrow.

Wednesday, 1st November 1916.

PRAYERS.

Mr. Tennant presented a Bill to confirm a Provisional Order under the Private Legislation Procedure (Scotland) Act, 1899, relating to Coathousegas: And the same was ordered (under Section 7 of the Act) to be taken into consideration to-morrow.

Several Public Petitions were presented, and read; and ordered to lie upon the Table.

Lord Robert Cecil presented, by His Majesty’s Command,—Copy of further Correspondence respecting the proposed Release of Civilians interned in the British and German Empires (in continuation of Miscellaneous, No. 25, 1916).

Ordered, That the said Paper do lie upon the Table.

Mr. Duke 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, with Returns of the Exports and Imports of Animals, for the year 1916.

Copy of Fifty-eighth Report of the Board of Superintendence of Dublin Hospitals, for the year 1915-16.

Ordered, That the said Papers do lie upon the Table.

Mr. Acland presented, pursuant to the directions of an Act of Parliament,—Copy of Order under the Destructive Insects and Pests Acts, numbered D.I.P. 389, 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.

Ordered, That there be laid before this House a Copy of Accounts of the Civil Contingencies Fund, 1915-16, showing (1) the Receipts and Payments in connection with the Fund in the year ended the 31st day of March 1916; (2) the Distribution of the Capital of the Fund at the commencement and close of the year; and (3) the Report of the Comptroller and Auditor General thereon.— (Mr. McKinnon Wood.)

Lieutenant Edward Mervyn Archdale, R.N. New Member (retired), Member for the County of Fermanagh (North Fermanagh Division), was sworn.

The House, according to Order, resolved itself into a Committee on the Special Register Bill. — (In the Committee.)

Clause No. 1 (Preparation of new register of electors).

Amendment proposed, in p. 1, l. 5, at the beginning, to insert the words “For the purposes of elections to be held during the present war.” —(Mr. Dickinson.)

Question proposed, That those words be there inserted:

Whereupon Motion made, and Question, That the Chairman do report Progress, and ask leave to sit again.—(Mr. Pringle),—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.

Mr. Galland reported from the Committee on the Special Register Bill, and Police (Ireland) [Money] Resolution; which was read, as followeth:

That it is expedient to authorise further provision, out of moneys provided by Parliament, for the pay of members of the Royal Irish Constabulary and Dublin Metropolitan Police, and for pensions, allowances, and gratuities to members of those forces, their widows and children.

The said Resolution, being read a second time, was agreed to.

Ordered, That a Bill be brought in upon the said Resolution: And that Mr. Duke, Mr. Chancellor of the Exchequer, and Mr. Attorney General for Ireland do prepare and bring it in

Mr. Duke accordingly presented a Bill to Constabulary and Police (Ireland) Bill 118.

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time upon Tuesday next; and to be printed.

The House, according to Order, resolved itself into a Committee on Registration of Business Names Remuneration.

(In the Committee.)

Resolved, That it is expedient to authorise the payment of remuneration in respect of duties performed under any Act of the present Session to provide for the Registration of firms and persons carrying on Business under Business Names.—(Mr. Prettman.)

Resolution to be reported.
Ways and Means.

Registration of Business Names Bill [Lords].

The Order of the day being read, for the Committee on the Registration of Business Names Bill [Lords];

Resolved, That this House will, to-morrow, resolve itself into the said Committee.

Anzac (Restriction on Trade Use of Word) Bill.

The Order of the day being read, for the Committee on the Anzac (Restriction on Trade Use of Word) Bill;  

Resolved, That this House will, to-morrow, resolve itself into the said Committee.

Prevention of Corruption Bill.

The Order of the day being read, for the Committee on the Prevention of Corruption Bill;

Resolved, That this House will, to-morrow, resolve itself into the said Committee.

Trading with the Enemy and Export of Prohibited Goods Bill.

The Order of the day being read, for the Committee on the Trading with the Enemy and Export of Prohibited Goods Bill;

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.

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.

Dublin Reconstruction (Emergency Provisions) Bill.

The Order of the day being read, for the Committee on the Dublin Reconstruction (Emergency Provisions) 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 22nd 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 Six of the clock, adjourned till to-morrow.

Thursday, 2nd November 1916.

PRAYERS.

THE House, according to Order, proceeded to take into consideration the Coatbridge Gas Order Confirmation Bill.

Ordered, That the Bill be read the third time upon Tuesday next.

Colonial Reports (Annual.)

Mr. Secretary Bonar Law presented, by His Majesty's Command,—Copy of Colonial Report, No. 967 (Falkland Islands, Report for 1916).

Ordered, That the said Paper do lie upon the Table.

Vol. 171.

Mr. McKinnon Wood presented,—Return to Civil Contingencies Fund, 1915-16, No. 133.

Ordered, That the said Return do lie upon the Table; and be printed.

Mr. Secretary Lloyd George presented, pur- Army snant to the directions of an Act of Parliament, (Territorial Forces.) —Copies of Schemes made under the Territorial and Reserve Forces Act, 1907, by the Army Council for the establishment and constitution of Associations for the Counties of Haddington and Nairn.

Ordered, That the said Paper do lie upon the Table.

The Chairman of Ways and Means reported Rhodes Estate from the Committee on the Rhodes Estate Bill [Lords.]; That, with reference to the Instruction of the House of the 19th day of October last, the Committee, having heard evidence, were satisfied that it was inexpedient to make the proposed Amendment to Clause 4 of the Bill.

The Chairman of Ways and Means further reported from the Committee; That they had examined the allegations of the Bill, and found the same to be true; and had gone through the Bill and made Amendments thereunto.

Ordered, That the Report do lie upon the Table; and be printed.

Mr. Prestyman presented a Bill to amend the Output of Beer (Restriction) Act, 1916: And Bill the same was ordered to be read a second time upon Tuesday next; and to be printed. Bill 119.

Resolved, That this House, at its rising this Session of the day, do adjourn till Tuesday next.—(The Prime the House Minister.)

The House, according to Order, resolved itself Prevention of into a Committee on the Prevention of Corrup- Corrusion Bill.

(At the Committee.)

Clause No. 1 (Increase of maximum penalty in certain cases).

Amendment proposed, in p. 1, l. 12, to leave out the words "nor less than three."—(Sir Albert Spicer.)

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. 14, to leave out the word "section," in order to insert the word "subsection."—(Commander Wedgwood.)

Question proposed, That the word "section" stand part of the Clause:—Amendment, by leave, withdrawn.

An Amendment made.

Another Amendment proposed, in p. 1, l. 17, at the end, to insert the words—

"(2) In subsection (1) of section one of the Prevention of Corruption Act, 1906, for the words 'four months,' and for the words 'fifty pounds,' there shall be substituted the words 'six months,' and the words 'one hundred pounds,' respectively."—(Commander Wedgwood.)

Question proposed, That those words be there inserted:—Amendment, by leave, withdrawn.

Clause, as amended, agreed to.
Clause No. 2 (Presumption of corruption in certain cases).

Amendments made.

Another Amendment proposed, in p. 1, l. 23, after the word "body," to insert the words "or public company."—(Sir Owen Philipps.)

Question proposed, That those words be there inserted.—Amendment, by leave, withdrawn.

Other Amendments made.

Clause, as amended, agreed to.

Clause No. 3 amended, and agreed to.

A Clause (Application of 6 Edw. 7, c. 34, s. 2 (1)—(Sir Albert Spicer)—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 (Application)—(Commander Wedgwood)—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 (Time for taking proceedings)—(Sir Albert Spicer)—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 taken into consideration upon Tuesday next; and be printed.

Bill 117.

The House, according to Order, resolved itself into a Committee on the Trading with the Enemy and Export of Prohibited Goods 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.

Mr. Rea reported from the Committee on Registration of Business Names [Remuneration].

A Clause (Restriction on Trade Use of Word) Bill.

Registration of Business Names Bill [Lords.]

The Order of the day being read, for the Committee on the Registration of Business Names Bill (Lords);

Resolved, That this House will, upon Tuesday next, resolve itself into the said Committee.

The Order of the day being read, for the 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 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 Dublin Committee on the Dublin Reconstruction (Emergency Provisions) Bill;

Resolved, That this House will, upon Tuesday next, resolve itself into the said Committee.

Whereupon Mr. Deputy Speaker, pursuant to the Order of the House of the 22nd 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 22nd day of February last, it being then fourteen minutes after Six of the clock, till Tuesday next, pursuant to the Resolution of the House of this day.

Tuesday, 7th November 1916.

P R A Y E R S.

T HE Coatbridge 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.

Mr. Secretary Bonar Law presented, by Colonial His Majesty's Command,—Copies of Colonial Reports, Nos. 908 (Bermuda, Report for 1912) (Animal) and 909 (Jamaica, Report for 1915-16).

Ordered, That the said Paper do lie upon the Table.

Mr. Secretary Samuel presented, pursuant to Shops Act, 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 (Metropolitan Boroughs of Chelsea, Fulham, and Hammersmith),

County of Buckingham (Parishes of Penn and Tylers Green),

County Borough of Southport (Churchtown Crossens and High Park Area),

Urban District of Penarth.

Ordered, That the said Paper do lie upon the Table.

Mr. Acland presented, by His Majesty's Command,—Copy of Agricultural Statistics, 1915, Agriculture and Fisheries, Volume L, Part III. Prices and Supplies of Corn, Live Stock, and other Agricultural Produce in England and Wales.
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Mr. Acland also presented, pursuant to the directions of an Act of Parliament,—Copies of Orders made under the Destructive Insects and Pests Acts, numbered D.I.P. 383, 384, 387, and 388, declaring the respective areas described in the Schedules thereto to be infected with Wart Disease, and to be infested 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. Duke presented, by His Majesty's Command,—Copy of Statement giving particulars regarding men of military age (nineteen and under forty-one years) in Ireland, with an estimate of the number of men available for military service, based on the National Register, 1915, and the number of men who have joined His Majesty's Forces since the outbreak of War.

Copy of Report of the Department of Agriculture and Technical Instruction for Ireland on the Sea and Inland Fisheries of Ireland for the year 1915.

Ordered, That the said Paper do lie upon the Table.

Mr. Secretary Lloyd George presented, pursuant to the directions of an Act of Parliament,—Copies of Schemes made by the Army Council under the Territorial and Reserve Forces Act, 1907, for the establishment and constitution of Associations for the Counties of Anglesey, Argyll, Banff, Cambridge and Isle of Ely, Cardigan, Carmarthen, Chester, Cornwall, Dorset, Dumfries, Fife, Glamorgan, Herford, Leicester, Middlesex, Midlothian, Norfolk, Northampton, Northumberland, Orkney, and York (North Riding).

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:—Accounts of the Mersey Docks and Harbour Board for the year ending 1st July 1916.

pedido, That the said Paper do lie upon the Table.

Imprisonment of a Member.

Mr. Speaker informed the House that he had received the following letter relating to the imprisonment of Mr. Gimnell, a Member of this House:

Sir,

1st November 1916.

I have to inform you that Mr. Lawrence Gimnell, M.P. for North Westonham, has been arrested to-day under a commitment warrant issued by me, and has been taken to Pentonville Prison for detention there for a period of twenty-one days in the first division, in default of payment of a fine of £50, imposed upon him on appeal by the Court of Queen Sessions for the County of London, upon a charge under Regulation 44 of the Defence of the Realm Regulations, of knowingly making a false statement and an omission in a certain application, with intent to mislead an officer and persons

acting under the order of an officer in the execution of their duties.

I have the honour to be,

Sir,

Your obedient Servant,

John Dickinson.

To the Right Honourable

The Speaker of the

House of Commons.

The Constabulary and Police (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. Gulland.)

The Output of Beer (Restriction) (No. 2) Output of 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. Rea.)

The House, according to Order, resolved itself Anzac into a Committee on the Anzac (Restriction on Trade Use of Word) Bill.

Ordered, That the said Papers do lie upon the Table.

Clause No. 1 (Prohibition of the use of the word Anzac in connection with any trade, &c.). Amendment proposed, in p. 1, l. 5, to leave out the words "as from the commencement of this Act."—(Sir Henry Doulton.) 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 words "without the authority of a Secretary of State."—(Sir Henry Doulton.) 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. 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.

The Order of the day being read, for the Special Committee on the Special Register Bill;—Resolved, That this House will, to-morrow, resolve itself into the said Committee.

The Order of the day being read, for taking Prevention of Corruption Bill, as amended in the Committee;—Resolved, That the Bill be taken into consideration to-morrow.

The Order of the day being read, for taking Prevention of Corruption Bill, as amended in the Committee;—Resolved, That this House will, to-morrow, resolve itself into the said Committee.

The Order of the day being read, for the Registration of Business Names 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 Committee on Ways and Means:

Resolved, That this House will, to-morrow, resolve itself into the said Committee.

The Order of the day being read, for the Committee on the Dublin Reconstruction (Emergency Provisions) 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 22nd 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 adjourned by Mr. Speaker, at seven minutes before Eight of the clock, without a Question first put, till to-morrow.

Wednesday, 8th November 1916.

PRAYERS.

Mr. Acland presented, pursuant to the directions of an Act of Parliament,—Copies of Orders under the Destructive Insects and Pests Acts, numbered D.I.P. 385, 386, 389 to 392, 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.

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 Rule, dated 27th October 1916, made by the Lord Chancellor with the concurrence of the Treasury under the Lunacy Act, 1890.

Sale of Enemy Property.

A Motion was made, and the Question being proposed, That, in the opinion of this House, where enemy properties and businesses in Crown Colonies and Protectorates are offered for sale, provision should be made for securing that such properties and businesses should be sold only to natural-born British subjects or companies wholly British—(Mr. Leslie Scott);

An Amendment was proposed to be made to the Question, in l.3, by inserting, after the second word "should," the word "only."—(Sir Hamar Greenwood.)

And the Question being proposed, That the word "only" be there inserted:—The said proposed Amendment was, with leave of the House, withdrawn.

And the Main Question being put:
The House divided.

The Yeas to the Right;
The Noes to the Left.

Tellers for the [Mr. George Terrell, Yeas, [Sir Charles Hunter: 117.

Tellers for the [Mr. Gulland, Noes, [Lord Edmond Talbot: 231.

So it passed in the Negative.

The Order of the day being read, for the Constabulary and Police (Ireland) 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 Output of Beer (Restriction) Bill (No. 2):

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 Anzac (Restriction on Trade Use of Word) 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 Special Committee on the Special Register Bill:

Resolved, That this House will, upon Tuesday next, resolve itself into the said Committee.

The Order of the day being read, for taking into consideration the Prevention of Corruption Bill, as amended in the Committee;

Ordered, That the Bill be taken into consideration to-morrow.

The Order of the day being read, for taking into consideration the Registration of Business Names 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 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 Dublin Reconstruction (Emergency Provisions) 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 22nd 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 eleven minutes after Eleven of the clock, adjourned till to-morrow.
Thursday, 9th November 1916.

PRAYERS.

The House proceeded to take into consideration the Rhodes Estate Bill [Lords], as amended in the Committee.

Ordered, That the Bill be read the third time.

Intermediate Education (Ireland.)

Mr. Duke presented, by His Majesty's 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.

Ordered, That the said Paper do lie upon the Table.

The House, according to Order, proceeded to take into consideration the Prevention of Corruption Bill, as amended in the Committee.

A Clause was offered to be added to the Bill (Restriction on application).—(Mr. King.)

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.

An Amendment was proposed to be made to the Bill, in p. 1, l. 10, by inserting, after the word "sub-contract," the words "or a proposal for a sub-contract."—(Mr. King.)

And the Question being put, That those words be there inserted in the Bill:—It passed in the Negative.

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.

The House, according to Order, resolved itself into a Committee on the Constabulary and Police (Ireland) Bill.

(In the Committee.)

Clause No. 1 (Alteration of rates of pay in certain ranks of the Royal Irish Constabulary and Dublin Metropolitan Police).

Amendment proposed, in p. 1, l. 14, at the end, to insert the words "save that in the case of married constables not higher in rank than sergeant the rates specified in the Second Schedule of this Act shall be increased by the sum of two shillings."—(Mr. Byrne.)

Question, That those words be there inserted, put, and negatived.

Clause agreed to.

Clause No. 2 (Alteration of enactments relating to pensions and allowances and gratuities).

Amendment proposed, in p. 2, l. 28, to leave out subsection (4).—(Colonel Craig.)

Question, That the words proposed to be left out, to the word "except," in l. 32, stand part of the Clause, put, and agreed to.

Another Amendment proposed, in p. 2, l. 35, to leave out from the word "effect" to the end of l. 39.—(Mr. Hardie.)

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. 59, at the end, to insert the words—

"(5) For the purpose of calculating the amount of any pension which may be granted to any head or other constable of the Royal Irish Constabulary or the Dublin Metropolitan Police, from the date of the passing of this Act, "annual pay" shall include five pounds four shillings per annum for each married man or widower with a family."—(Mr. Patrick Mehan.)

Question put, That those words be there inserted.

The Committee divided.

t Tellers for the [Mr. Patrick Mehan,] Yes, [Colonel Craig : ] 60.


Clause agreed to.

Clause No. 3 agreed to.

A Clause (Repeal)—(Mr. Dillon)—brought up, and read the first and second time, and added to the Bill.

Another Clause (Age at which pay will cease)—(Mr. Byrne)—brought up, and read the first time.

Motion made, and Question, That the Clause be read a second time, put, and negatived.

Schedules 1 and 2 agreed to.

A Schedule (Acts repealed)—(Mr. Muldoon)—brought up, and read the first and second time, amended, 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 taken into consideration upon Tuesday next.

The House, according to Order, resolved itself into a Committee on the Output of Beer (Restrictions) (No. 2) Bill.

(In the Committee.)

Clauses 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,
The House, according to Order, proceeded to take into consideration the Anzac (Restriction on Trade Use of Word) Bill, as amended in the Committee.

And an Amendment was made to the Bill.

Ordered, That the Bill be now read the third time.

Ordered, That the Bill be 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 Registration of Business Names Bill [Lords];

Resolved, That this House will, upon Tuesday next, resolve itself into the said Committee.

The Order of the day being read, for the Committee of Supply;

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Resolved, That this House will, upon Tuesday next, resolve itself into the said Committee.

Whereupon Mr. Deputy Speaker, pursuant to the Order of the House of the 22nd 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 Tuesday next, pursuant to the Resolution of the House of this day.

Tuesday, 14th November 1916.

PRAYERS.

A PETITION of Archibald Henry Bailey, of Tonbridge, in the County of Kent, Solicitor, was presented, and read; setting forth that an action is pending in the High Court of Justice, King's Bench Division, entitled Bailey v. Symonds, and praying that leave may be given to the proper Officer of the House to attend at the hearing to produce and prove a document, and to give such evidence as may be necessary to further the ends of justice.

Ordered, That leave be given to the proper Officer to attend accordingly.

Lord Robert Cecil presented, by His Majesty's Trading with Command, — Copy of further Correspondence the Enemy (Miscellaneous, No. 36, 1916.) the Trading with the Enemy (Extension of Powers) Act, 1915 (in continuation of Miscellaneous, No. 11, 1916).

Ordered, That the said Paper do lie upon the Table.

Mr. Acland presented, pursuant to the directions of several Acts of Parliament,—Copies of Insects and Orders under the Destructive Insects and Pests Acts, numbered D.I.P. 393 to 402, 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.


Regulation the operation of the two Orders described in the Schedule thereto until the 1st December 1916.

Ordered, That the said Papers do lie upon the Table.

Mr. Runniman presented, pursuant to the Companies directions of an Act of Parliament,—Copy of (Winding-up) Twenty-fifth General Annual Report by the Twenty-fifth Committee of Ways and Means.

Ordered, That the said Paper do lie upon the Table; and be printed.

Mr. McKinnon Wood presented, by His Sugar Supply. Majesty's Command, — Copy of Memorandum issued by the Royal Commission on Sugar Supply as to the distribution of Sugar, July to December 1916.

Copy of further Report of the Departmental Committee on Approved Society Finance and Administration.

Ordered, That the said Papers do lie upon the Table.

Mr. Long presented, pursuant to the directions of an Act of Parliament,—Copy of Summary of the Annual Local Taxation Returns for England and Wales, with an Index, for the year Wales.

Ordered, That the said Paper do lie upon the Table; and be printed.

Ordered, That the Constabulary and Police Bill 120, as amended, be printed.

Mr. Thomas, Member for Derby, rose in his Adjournment, place and asked leave to move the adjournment of the House for the purpose of discussing a definite matter of urgent public importance, viz., the circumstances under which a conference was broken up in Cardiff last Saturday, and the failure of several Acts, numbered D.I.P. 393 to 402, 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.

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Ordered, That the Constabulary and Police Bill 120, as amended, be printed.
Wednesday, 15th November 1916.

PRAYERS.

THE Rhodes Estate 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.

Mr. Herbert Lewis presented, pursuant to the directions of several Acts of Parliament,—Copies of Two Orders in Council under the Foreign Jurisdiction Acts, 1890 and 1913, dated 6th November 1916.


Ordered, That the said Papers do lie upon the Table.

The Lord Advocate presented, by His Borgie Farm, Majesty's Command,—Copy of Memorandum respecting the Farm of Borgie, which has been presented to the State by the Duke of Sutherland.


Ordered, That the said Papers do lie upon the Table.

Mr. Hayes Fisher presented a Bill to make Local provision with respect to the calculation of the amounts payable and transferable in respect of the Super Luminaries under section twenty-four of the Local Government Act, 1888: And the same was ordered to be read a second time to-morrow; and to be printed.

A Motion was made, and the Question being put:—It was resolved in the Affirmative.

And accordingly the House, having continued to sit till a quarter of an hour before Eleven of the clock, adjourned till to-morrow.

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The Order of the day being read, for the Committee on the Special Register Bill : Resolved, That this House will, upon Tuesday next, resolve itself into the said Committee.

The Order of the day being read, for taking into consideration the Constabulary and Police (Ireland) 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 Committee on the Dublin Reconstruction (Emergency Provisions) 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 22nd 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. Speaker; and Forty Members not being present, and it being then after Four of the clock, the House was adjourned by Mr. Speaker, at four minutes before Eleven of the clock, without a Question first put, till to-morrow.

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Thursday, 16th November 1916.

PRAYERS.

The Order of the day being read, for the Committee on the Special Register Bill ;

The Lords have agreed to the Bradford Chapel Charity Bill, without any Amendment.

The Lords have agreed to the Bethlehem Chapel (Tryddyn) Charity Bill, without any Amendment.

The Lords have agreed to the Pisgah Chapel (Tryddyn) Charity Bill, without any Amendment.

The Lords have agreed to the Moriah Chapel (Broughton) Charity Bill, without any Amendment.

The Lords have agreed to the Bethany Chapel Charity Bill, without any Amendment.

The Lords have agreed to the Congregational Chapels Charities Bill, without any Amendment.

The Lords have agreed to the Plymouth Workhouse Charities Bill, without any Amendment.

Ordered, That this House, at its rising this sitting of the Lords, do adjourn till Tuesday next. — (Mr. the House. Secretary Binar Law.)

The House, according to Order, proceeded to Constabulary take into consideration the Constabulary and Police (Ireland) Bill, as amended in the Committee.

Ordered, That the Bill be read the third time upon Tuesday next.

The Order of the day being read, for resuming Food Prices, the adjourned Debate on the Question proposed upon the 16th day of this instant November, That, in the opinion of this House, it is the duty of the Government to adopt further methods of organisation to increase and conserve the national food supply, and so diminish the risk of shortage and serious increase in prices in the event of the war being prolonged ; And the Question being again proposed:— The House resumed the said adjourned Debate.

And the Question being put:—It was resolved in the Afirmative.

Resolved, That, in the opinion of this House, it is the duty of the Government to adopt further methods of organisation to increase and conserve the national food supply, and so diminish the risk of shortage and serious increase in prices in the event of the war being prolonged.

The Order of the day being read, for the Local Second Reading of the Local Government (Emergency Provisions) Bill (No. 2) Bill ;

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time upon Tuesday next.

The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Board of Pensions Bill ;

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time upon Tuesday next.

The Order of the day being read, for the Registration Committee on the Registration of Business of Friendly Societies Bill [Lords.]

Ordered, 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 ;

Ordered, That this House will, upon Tuesday next, resolve itself into the said Committee.

MR. McKinnen Wood presented, by His Majesty's Command — Copy of Licence issued by the Secretary for the State of the Home Department under the powers of the Aliens Restriction (Consolidation) Order, 1916, in connection with the Deutsche Bank (London Agency).

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 Stoney Stratford Charities Bill, without any Amendment.

The Lords have agreed to the Baptist Chapels Charities Bill, without any Amendment.

The Lords have agreed to the Burnham-on-Crouch Chapel Charity Bill, without any Amendment.

The Lords have agreed to the Bradford Chapel (Infirmary Street) Baptist Chapel Charity Bill, without any Amendment.
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 Committee on the Dublin Reconstruction (Emergency Provisions) Bill;—

Resolved, That this House will, upon Tuesday next, resolve itself into the said Committee.

Adjournment. Whereupon Mr. Speaker, pursuant to the Order of the House of the 22nd 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 Tuesday next, pursuant to the Resolution of the House of this day.

Tuesday, 21st November 1916.

PRAYERS.

MR. MCKINNON WOOD presented, by His Majesty's Command,—Copy of Second Annual Report of the Medical Research Committee, 1915–16.

Copy of further Treasury Minute, dated 1st November 1916, relating to the financing of Sugar Purchases abroad on behalf of His Majesty's Government.

MR. MCKINNON WOOD also presented, pursuant to the directions of several Acts of Parliament,—Copy of Regulations, dated 18th November 1916, made by the National Health Insurance Joint Committee, entitled the National Health Insurance (Arrears) Regulations, 1916 (No. 2).

Copy of Return of the amount of Bank of England Notes issued more than forty years, and outstanding on 25th October 1916, which have been written off.

Ordered, That the said Papers do lie upon the Table.

MR. DUGHE presented, by His Majesty's Command,—Copy of Return giving particulars of cases in which persons have been reinstated with the assistance of the Estates Commissioners during the quarters ended 31st March 1916, 30th June 1916, and 30th September 1916.

MR. DUGHE also presented, pursuant to the directions of several Acts of Parliament,—Copy of Three Orders in Council, dated the 11th November 1916, for holding Winter Assizes in Ireland.


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 Annual Statistical Report by the University Court of the University of Aberdeen for the year 1914–15.

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public importance, viz., the breakdown of the inland water transport operations in despatching the Marine Transport necessary for forthcoming operations in Asia Minor, the urgent and vital need for the immediate co-operation between the War Office, the Admiralty, and the Board of Trade in the transportation of these craft, the further delay in despatching which will occasion a repetition of the failure of our military operations in Asia Minor, and from the same cause; but the pleasure of the House not having been signified, Mr. Speaker called on those Members who supported the Motion to rise in their places, and less than Forty Members having accordingly risen, the House proceeded to the Business of the day.

Mr. Charles Roberts, supported by Mr. Acland, presented a Bill to provide for the exception of persons who are temporarily employed in Agriculture in connection with the present war: And the same was ordered to be read a second time to-morrow; and to be printed.

Mr. McKinnou Wood, supported by Mr. Chancellor of the Exchequer and Mr. Solicitor General, presented a Bill to amend the Law relating to Friendly Societies for purposes connected with the present war: 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 Board of Pensions 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 Henry Craik.)

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. Rea.)

The Order of the day being read, for the Committee on the Special Register Bill;—

Resolved, 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 Constabulary and Police (Ireland) Bill;

Ordered, That the Bill be read the third time to-morrow.

The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Local Government (Emergency Provisions) (No. 2) Bill;

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time to-morrow.

The Order of the day being read, for the Committee on the Registration of Business Names Bill (recommenced) Bill [Lords];—

Resolved, That this House will, to-morrow, resolve itself into the said Committee.
Amendments made.

Clause No. 2 (Registration of true name by nominees, &c.).
Amendment proposed, in p. 2, l. 18, after the third word " or," to insert the words " wholly or mainly."—(Sir Archibald Williamson.)

Question proposed, That those words be there inserted:—Amendment, by leave, withdrawn.

Another Amendment proposed, in p. 2, l. 18, after the word "as," to insert the word " sole."—(Sir Archibald Williamson.)

Question, That the word " sole " be there inserted, put, and negatived.

Clause agreed to.

Clause No. 3 (Manner and particulars of registration).

Amendments made.

Another Amendment proposed, in p. 3, l. 19, at the end, to add the words "(3) Where it appears to the satisfaction of the Board of Trade—"

(a) that the name which it is proposed to register under this Act contains the word " British " or " Imperial," or any word or words calculated to lead to the belief that the individual or all the individuals carrying on business under that name is or are British subjects; and

(b) that such individual or individuals, or any of them, are not British subjects; the Board of Trade shall refuse registration of such name, and require another name to be put forward for registration instead thereof."—(Mr. Joynson-Hicks.)

Question proposed, That those words be there added:—Amendment, by leave, withdrawn.

Clause, as amended, agreed to.

Clauses No. 4 to No. 6 agreed to.

Clause No. 7 (Penalty for default in registration).

Amendment proposed, in p. 4, l. 18, after the word " reasonable," to insert the words " cause or."—(Mr. King.)

Question proposed, That those words be there inserted:—Amendment, by leave, withdrawn.

Another Amendment proposed, in p. 4, l. 25, to leave out the word " order " to the end of the Clause.—(Mr. Butcher.)

Question, That the words " Provided that " stand part of the Clause, put, and agreed to.

Another Amendment proposed, in p. 4, l. 25, after the word " that," to insert the words—

" (a) the maximum total fine imposed shall not exceed fifty pounds ; and

(b)."

—(Mr. King.)

Question proposed, That those words be there inserted:—Amendment, by leave, withdrawn.

Clause agreed to.

Clause No. 8 (Disability of persons in default).

Amendments made.

Clause, as amended, agreed to.

Clause No. 9 (Penalty of false statements).

Amendment proposed, in p. 6, l. 29, at the end, to add the words " Such certificate of registration shall be framed and exhibited in a conspicuous position at the principal place of business of the firm or individual."—(Mr. Fell.)

Question proposed, That those words be there added:—Amendment, by leave, withdrawn.

An Amendment made.

Clause, as amended, agreed to.

Clause No. 12 amended, and agreed to.

Clause No. 13 (Removal of names from register).

Amendment proposed, in p. 7, l. 5, to leave out subsection (3).—(Mr. Denniss.)

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 (Registrar).

Amendments made.

Another Amendment proposed, in p. 7, l. 22, at the end, to add the words " The clerk of each county and borough council shall be supplied from time to time with a copy of so much of the register as relates to firms and persons carrying on business within the area of the county or borough for which he is appointed."—(Mr. Denniss.)

Question proposed, That those words be there added:—Amendment, by leave, withdrawn.

Clause, as amended, agreed to.

Clause No. 15 (Inspection of statements registered).

Amendment proposed, in p. 7, l. 26, to leave out the words " any person may inspect," in order to insert the words " a complete list of individuals and firms registered under this Act, together with the registered particulars, shall be published in the Gazette, and any additions or changes in the said list or particulars shall, at intervals of not more than six months, be similarly published in the Gazette, and any person may at any time thereafter inspect and make copies of or extracts from such list, and."

—(Mr. Ronald McNeill.)

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. 16 (Power for Board of Trade to make rules).

Amendment proposed, in p. 8, l. 10, at the end, to insert the words " which shall not extend the particulars required under section three."—(Sir Archibald Williamson.)

Question proposed, That those words be there inserted:—Amendment, by leave, withdrawn.

Clause agreed to.

Clause No. 17 (Publication of true names, &c.).

Amendment proposed, in p. 8, l. 23, to leave out the words " business letters," in order to insert the words " bill-heads, invoices, advertisements, show cards, notices, letter paper, or other stationery issued or used by the individual or firm."—(Sir Frederick Broxburn.)

Question proposed, That the words " business letters " stand part of the Clause:—Amendment, by leave, withdrawn.

Clause agreed to.

Clause No. 18 agreed to.

Clause No. 20 amended, and agreed to.

Clause No. 21 agreed to.

A Clause (Remuneration for duties under the Act)—(Mr. Solicitor General)—brought up, and read the first and second time, and added to the Bill.
Another Clause (Application to Scotland)—
(The Lord Advocate)—brought up, and read the first and second time, and added to the Bill.

Another Clause (Application to Ireland)—
(Mr. Duke) —brought up, and read the first and second time, and added to the Bill.

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; and be printed.

Local Government (Emergency Provisions) (No. 2) Bill.

The Local Government (Emergency Provisions) (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. Rea.)

Friendly Societies Bill.

The Friendly Societies 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. Rea.)

National Insurance (Temporary Employment in Agriculture) Bill.

The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the National Insurance (Temporary Employment in Agriculture) 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. Nugent.)

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. — (Mr. Gulland.)

Board of Pensions Bill.

The Order of the day being read, for the Committee on the Board of Pensions Bill;

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.

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.

Dublin Reconstruction (Emergency Provisions) Bill.

The Order of the day being read, for the Committee on the Dublin Reconstruction (Emergency Provisions) Bill;

Resolved, That this House will, to-morrow, resolve itself into the said Committee.

A Motion being made, That this House will, Government to-morrow, resolve itself into a Committee to War consider of authorising the payment, out of Obligations.
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. Gulland);

Mr. McKinnon 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.

A Motion being made, That this House will, Board of Pensions (Salaries and Remunera-
tion) Bill, as amended, to be reported.

Mr. McKinnon 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. Deputy Speaker, pursuant to Adjournment.

the Order of the House of the 22nd 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 after Nine of the clock, adjourned to-
morrow.

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Thursday, 23rd November 1916.

PRAYERS.

ORD Robert Cecil presented, by His Armenians Majesty's Command,—Copy of Documents relating to the treatment of Armenians in the Ottoman Empire, 1915–16, presented to Viscount Bryce, Secretary of State for Foreign Affairs, by Viscount Bryce, with a preface by Viscount Bryce.

Ordered, That the said Paper do lie upon the Table.

Mr. Abel Smith presented, pursuant to the direc-
tions of an Act of Parliament,—Copy of Orders in Wart Disease, and an infected area for the purposes of the Wart Disease of Potatoes (Infected Areas) Ordinance 1914.

Ordered, That the said Paper do lie upon the Table.

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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 Rhodes Estate Bill [Lords], without any Amendment.

Mr. Acton, supported by Mr. Tennant, Mr. Duke, and Mr. Hayes Fisher, presented a Bill to authorise the acceptance and administration by certain Government departments and local authorities of gifts for the settlement or employment on land of men who have served in His Majesty's Forces: And the same was ordered to be read a second time upon Monday next; and to be printed.

The House, according to Order, resolved itself into a Committee on Government War Obligations.

Motion made, and Question proposed, 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. McKinnon Wood.)

Whereupon Motion made, and Question proposed, That the Chairman do report Progress, and ask leave to sit again—(Sir Edward Carenza):—Motion, by leave, withdrawn.

Original Question put, and agreed to.

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. McKinnon Wood.)

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 Order of the day being read, for the Local Government (Emergency) Provisions (No. 2) Bill;

Resolved, That this House will, upon Monday next, resolve itself into the said Committee.

The House, according to Order, resolved itself into a Committee on the National Insurance (Temporary Employment in Agriculture) Bill.

Clause No. 1 (Power to exempt from insurance persons temporarily employed in agriculture).

Amendment proposed, in p. 1, l. 17, at the end, to insert the words "not exceeding six months after the end of the war."—(Mr. Huxley.)

Question, That those words be there inserted, put, and agreed to.

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 Order of the day being read, for taking Registration into consideration the Registration of Business Names Bill [Lords], as amended in the Committee;

Ordered, That the Bill be taken into consideration upon Monday next.

The Order of the day being read, for the Board of Pensions Bill;

Resolved, 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 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 Committee on the Dublin Reconstruction (Emergency Provisions) 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 22nd 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 Seven of the clock, adjourned till Monday next, pursuant to the Order of the House of the 22nd day of February last.

Monday, 27th November 1916.

PRAYERS.

A PUBLIC Petition was presented, and read ; and ordered to lie upon the Table.

Mr. Ackland presented, pursuant to the directions of an Act of Parliament, — Copies of Orders under the Destructive Insects and Pests Acts, numbered D.I.P. 410 and 413 to 416, 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.

Lord Robert Cecil presented, by His Majesty's Command,—Copy of Exchange of Notes, between the United Kingdom and France and Russia, modifying Article 2 of the Convention of 9th November 1914, relating to Prizes captured during the present War.


Ordered, That the said Papers do lie upon the Table.

Mr. McKinnon Wood presented, by His Majesty's Command,—Copy of Eighty-fourth Annual Report of the Commissioners of Public Works in Ireland, with Appendices, for the year ending 31st March 1916.

Ordered, That the said Papers do lie upon the Table.

Mr. McKinnon Wood also presented, pursuant to the directions of an Act of Parliament,—Copy of Regulations, dated 22nd November 1916, made by the National Health Insurance Joint Committee, the Insurance Commissioners, the Scottish Insurance Commissioners, and the Welsh Insurance Commissioners, entitled the National Health Insurance (Exempt Persons) Consolidated Regulations, 1916.

Ordered, That the said Papers do lie upon the Table.

Mr. Montagu presented, by His Majesty's Command,—Copy of Memorandum No. 15, by (Health of Munition Workers Committee) (Effect of Industrial Conditions on Eyesight).

Ordered, That the said Paper do lie upon the Table.

Mr. Secretary Lloyd George presented, pursuant to the directions of an Act of Parliament, — Copies of Schemes made under the Territorial and Reserve Forces Act, 1907, by the Army Council for the establishment and constitution of Associations for the Counties of Aberdeen, City of Aberdeen, Berwick, Brecknock, Buckingham, Carnarvon, Cumberland, Denbigh, Derby, Durham, Elgin, Essex, Flint, Forfar, Gloucester, Hereford, Huntingdon, Inverness, Kent, Kirkcudbright, Lanark, Lancaster, Lincoln, Lindsay, Monmouth, Monmouthshire, Montgomery, Nottingsham, Oxford, Peebles, Pembroke, Radnor, Roxburgh, Rutland, Selkirk, Somerset, Southampton, Suffolk, Surrey, Sussex, Sunderland, Westmoreland, Wilts, Worcester, York (East Riding), York (West Riding), and Zetland.

Ordered, That the said Paper do lie upon the Table.

Mr. Rea reported from the Committee on the Board of Pensions (Salaries and Remuneration) Bill ; which was read, as follows:

That it is expedient to authorise the payment, out of money provided by Parliament, of an annual salary, not exceeding two thousand pounds, to the President, and of such salaries or remuneration as the Treasury may determine to the Secretaries, officers, and servants of the Board of Pensions constituted under any Act of the present Session for establishing a Board of Pensions.

The said Resolution, being read a second time, was agreed to.

The House, according to Order, resolved itself into a Committee on the Board of Pensions Bill.

An Amendment made.

Motion made, and Question, That the Chairman do report Progress, and ask leave to sit again—(Mr. Arthur Henderson), 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 Special Committee on the Special Register Bill;

Resolved, That this House will, upon Monday next, resolve itself into the said Committee.

The Order of the day being read, for the Sailing and Soldiers (Gifts for Land Settlement) Bill:

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time to-morrow.

Mr. Rea reported from the Committee on Government War Obligations a Resolution; which was read, as follows:

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 Samuel, Mr. Runciman, and Mr. McKinnon Wood do prepare and bring it in.

Mr. Chancellor of the Exchequer 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 Order of the day being read, for the Committee on the Local Government (Emergency Provisions) (No. 2) 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 Registration of Business Names Bill [Lords], as amended in the Committee;

Ordered, That the Bill be taken into consideration to-morrow.

The Order of the day being read, for the 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 Dublin Reconstruction (Emergency Provisions) 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 22nd 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 22nd day of February last, it being then ten minutes before Eight of the clock, till to-morrow.

Tuesda, 28th November 1916.

PRAYERS.

Mr. Acland presented, pursuant to the directions of an Act of Parliament,—Copies of Orders under the Destructive Insects and Pests Acts, numbered D.I.P. 417 and 418, 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. Herbert Lewis presented, pursuant to the Naval and Marine Pay and Pensions Act, 1865, dated 23rd November 1916, approving a Memorial of the Lords Commissioners of the Admiralty.

Ordered, That the said Paper do lie upon the Table.

Mr. Montagu presented, by His Majesty's Munitions Committee, — Copy of Report of the Military Service Committee on the Headquarters Staff of the Ministry of Munitions.

Ordered, That the said Paper do lie upon the Table.

Mr. McKinnon Wood presented, by His National Service Committee on Audit of Unemployment Benefit (Unemployment of Associations) paying arrangements under Section 106 of the National Insurance Act, 1911.

Ordered, That the said Paper do lie upon the Table.

Mr. Joseph Pease presented, by His Majesty's High-speed Command, — Copy of Report of the Committee of Telegraphy, appointed to consider the question of High-speed Telegraphy.

Ordered, That the said Paper do lie upon the Table.

Ordered, That there be laid before this House Board of a Copy of the Board of Pensions Bill showing the effect of the Amendments proposed to be moved in Committee on behalf of the Government.—(Mr. Arthur Henderson.)

Mr. Arthur Henderson 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 had been brought from the Lords by one of their Clerks, as follows:—The Lords have agreed to the Coatbridge Gas Bill.

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 have agreed to the Coatbridge Gas Order Confirmation Bill, without any Amendment.

The Lords have agreed to the Trading with the Enemy and Export of Prohibited Goods the Enemy and Export of Prohibited Goods Bill, with an Amendment; to which the Lords desire the concurrence of this House.

Ordered, That the Amendment made by the Lords to the Trading with the Enemy and Export of Prohibited Goods Bill be taken into consideration to-morrow; and be printed.

The House, according to Order, proceeded to take into consideration the Registration of Business Names Bill [Lords], as amended in the Committee.

A Clause was offered to be added to the Bill (Misleading business names).—(Mr. Prestwood.)

And the said Clause was brought up, and read the first and second time, and amended, in l. 4, by inserting, after the word "is," the words "wholly or mainly"—(Mr. Jowysom-Hicki); and made part of the Bill.

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Another Clause was offered to be added to the Bill (Offences by corporations).—(Mr. Pretyman.)

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:—(Mr. Pretyman.)

The Motion was put, and the Bill, in p. 2, l. 38, by leaving out the words "The principal place of the business," and inserting the words "All the places in the United Kingdom where the business is carried on."—(Captain Barnett),—instead thereof.

And the Question being proposed, That those words be there inserted in the Bill:—(Mr. John Henderson.)

The said proposed Amendment was, with leave of the House, withdrawn.

Another Amendment was proposed to be made to the Bill, in p. 2, l. 38, by inserting, after the word "business," the words "and any branches thereof."—(Mr. Pentfather.)

And the Question being proposed, That those words be there inserted in the Bill:—(Mr. Pretyman.)

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. 28, by leaving out Clause 8.—(Mr. John Henderson.)

And the Question being put, That the words proposed to be left out stand part of the Bill:—The said proposed Amendment was, with leave of the House, withdrawn.

Another Amendment was proposed to be made to the Bill, in p. 2, l. 38, by inserting at the end thereof the words "The principal place of the business," and inserting the words "All the places in the United Kingdom where the business is carried on."—(Captain Barnett),—instead thereof.

And the Question being proposed, That those words be there inserted in the Bill:—(Mr. Pretyman.)

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. 28, by leaving out Clause 8.—(Mr. John Henderson.)

And the Question being put, That the words proposed to be left out, to the word "Court," in p. 5, l. 28, stand part of the Bill;

The House divided.
The Yeas to the Right;
The Noes to the Left.
Tellers for the [Mr. Galland, Yeas, 206.]
Tellers for the [Lord Edmund Talbot,]
Tellers for the [Mr. John Henderson, Noes, 31.]
Tellers for the [Mr. Pringle,]
So it was resolved in the Affirmative.

Then other Amendments were made to the Bill.

Another Amendment was proposed to be made to the Bill, in p. 6, l. 30, by inserting at the end thereof the words "and if not kept so exhibited, every partner in the firm or the individual, as the case may be, shall be liable on summary conviction to a fine not exceeding twenty pounds."—(Mr. Pretyman.)

And the Question being proposed, That those words be there inserted in the Bill:

The proposed words were amended, by leaving out the word "individual," and inserting the word "person"—(Mr. Solicitor General),—instead thereof.

And the Question being put, That the words "and if not kept so exhibited, every partner in the firm or the person, as the case may be, shall be liable on summary conviction to a fine not exceeding twenty pounds" 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. 8, l. 22, by inserting, after the word "catalogues," the words "show cards."—(Mr. Stuart-Wortley.)

And the Question being proposed, That those words "show cards" 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. 8, l. 22, by inserting, after the word "catalogues," the words "show cards."—(Mr. Stuart-Wortley.)

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. 8, l. 22, by inserting, after the word "catalogues," the word "and."—(Mr. Denison.)

And the Question being proposed, That the word "and" 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. 35, by inserting at the end thereof the words:

"(c) the principal place of the business of the individual or firm."—(Captain Barnett.)

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:—(Mr. John Henderson.)

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 Local Government (Emergency Provisions) (No. 2) 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 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:—(Mr. John Henderson.)

Ordered, That the Bill be now read the third time:—(Mr. John Henderson.)

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 Sailors and Soldiers (Gifts for Land Settlement) 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. James Hope.)

The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Government War Obligations Bill;

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time to-morrow.

Government War Obligations Bill.

The Order of the day being read, for the Committee on the Board of Pensions Bill;

Resolved, That this House will, to-morrow, resolve itself into the said Committee.

Board of Pensions 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.

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.

Ways and Means.

The Order of the day being read, for the Committee on the Dublin Reconstruction (Emergency Provisions) Bill;

Resolved, That this House will, to-morrow, resolve itself into the said Committee.

Dublin Reconstruction (Emergency Provisions) Bill.

The Order of the day being read, for the Committee on the Report of the Comptroller and Auditor General;

Resolved, That the said Paper do lie upon the Table; and be printed.

Committee of the whole House for to-morrow.

Ordered, That the Bill be committed to a Committee of the whole House for to-morrow.

(Mr. Rea.)

The House, according to Order, proceeded to Trading with the Enemy Bill.

Whereupon Mr. Deputy Speaker, pursuant to the Order of the House of the 22nd 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 22nd day of February last, it being then a quarter of an hour before Ten of the clock, till to-morrow.

Adjournment.

Wednesday, 29th November 1916.

PRAYERS.

Mr. Tennant presented a Bill to confirm a Provisional Order under the Private Legislation Procedure (Scotland) Act, 1889, relating to the Gamble Institute, Gourock: And the same was ordered (under Section 7 of the Act) to be taken into consideration 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 County of Middlesex (Horney Division), in the room of Lawrence John Lumley Dundas (commonly called the Earl of Ronaldshay), who, since his Election for the said county, hath accepted the Office of Steward or Bailiff of His Majesty’s Three Chiltern Hundreds of Stoke, Desborough, and Burham, in the County of Buckingham.—(Lord Edmund Talbot.)

A Public Petition was presented, and read; and ordered to lie upon the Table.

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The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Government War Obligations Bill;

And a Motion being made, and the Question put, pursuant to the Order of the House of the 22nd day of February last, proposed the Question, That this House do now adjourn.

The Order of the day being read, for the Dublin Reconstruction (Emergency Provisions) Bill;

Resolved, That the House will, to-morrow, resolve itself into the said Committee.

Ordered, That the Bill be now read a second time;—The Bill was accordingly read a second time.

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 Order of the day being read, for the Committee on the Board of Pensions Bill;

Resolved, That this House will, to-morrow, resolve itself into the said Committee.

Ordered, That the Bill be committed to a Committee of Supply.

The Order of the day being read, for the Supply Committee of the whole House for to-morrow.

(Mr. Rea.)

And a Debate arising thereupon;

Ordered, That the Bill be now read a second time;—The Bill was accordingly read a second time.

Ordered, That the Bill be now read a second time:—And a Motion being made, and the Question put, that the Bill be now read a second time:—And a Debate arising thereupon;

Ordered, That the Bill be now read a second time;—The Bill was accordingly read a second time.

Ordered, That the Bill be now read a second time:—And a Debate arising thereupon.

Ordered, That the Bill be now read a second time;—The Bill was accordingly read a second time.

Ordered, That the said Paper do lie upon the Table.

Whereupon Mr. Deputy Speaker, pursuant to the Adjournment Order of the House of the 22nd 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 Eight of the clock, adjourned till tomorrow.

Thursday, 30th November 1916.

Prayers.

The House, according to Order, proceeded to take into consideration the Gourock, Order Confirmation Bill.

Ordered, That the Bill be read the third time upon Monday next.

Treaty Series (No. 4, 1916)

Lord Robert Cecil presented, by His Majesty's Command, — Copy of Agreement between the United Kingdom and France respecting Trade with Morocco and Egypt in transit through British and French Territories in Africa. Signed at London, 24th August 1916.

Ordered, That the said Paper do lie upon the Table.

Another Amendment proposed, in p. 1, l. 10, after the words last added, to add the words "and who shall occupy no office or appointment other than that of Minister of Pensions."

Amendment made.

Another Amendment proposed, in p. 1, l. 9, to leave out the words "and the Parliamentary Secretary to the Local Government Board."

Question proposed, That those words be there added:— Amendment, by leave, withdrawn.

Another Amendment made.

Another Amendment proposed, in p. 1, l. 7, to leave out from the word "Pensions" to the end of the Clause.—(Mr. Stephen Walsh.)

Question proposed, That those words be there added:— Amendment, by leave, withdrawn.

Amendments made.

Another Amendment proposed, in p. 1, l. 9, to leave out the words "and the Parliamentary Secretary to the Local Government Board."

(Mr. Mac Callum Scott.)

Question proposed, That those words be there added:— Amendment, by leave, withdrawn.

Clause, as amended, agreed to.

Clause No. 2 (Duties and powers of Minister of Pensions).

Amendment proposed, in p. 1, l. 13, after the word "Admiralty," to insert the words "including those relating to Greenwich Hospital."

(Sir Clement Kinosho-Cooke.)

Question proposed, That those words be there inserted:— Amendment, by leave, withdrawn.

Another Amendment proposed, in p. 1, l. 19, to leave out from the word "pensions" to the end of l. 21.—(Mr. Hohler.)

Question proposed, That the words proposed to be left out, to the word "shall," in l. 8, stand part of the Clause:— Amendment, by leave, withdrawn.

Ordered, That the said Paper do lie upon the Table.

Mr. Acland presented, pursuant to the directions of several Acts of Parliament, — Copy of Estimates of orders under the Destructive Insects and Pests Acts, numbered D.I.P. 419 and 420, 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.

Navy and Army Services, Warlike Operations, and other Expenditure arising out of the War, for 1916-17. (Supplementary Vote of Credit.)

Copy of Estimate of further sum required to be voted for the Civil Services for the year ending 31st March 1917.

Ordered, That the said Estimates be referred to the Committee of Supply; and be printed.

Message from the Lords.

An Act (Restriction on Trade Use of Word) Bill.

Dr. Addison, supported by Mr. Montagu, Mr. Primrose, and Mr. McKinnon Wood, presented a Bill to obtain contributions from persons in the event of their liability for damage or loss from explosions of, or other accidents in connection with, Munitions being assumed by His Majesty's Government: And the same was ordered to be read a second time upon Monday next; and to be printed.

Board of Pensions Bill.

The House, according to Order, resolved itself into a Committee on the Board of Pensions Bill; and, after some time spent therein, 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, with a new Title, as followeth: — A Bill for establishing a Ministry [New Title.] of Pensions, and for purposes connected therewith.

Resolved, That this House will immediately resolve itself into the Committee on the (recommitted) Bill. (Mr. Rea.)

The House accordingly resolved itself into the Committee on the Ministry of Pensions Bill (changed from Board of Pensions Bill.)

(In the Committee.)

Clause No. 1 (Establishment of Ministry of Pensions).

Amendment proposed, in p. 1, l. 5, after the word "the," to insert the words "powers and duties transferred to and vested in the Ministry of Pensions hereby constituted."—(Mr. Henry Terrell.)

Question, That those words be there inserted, put, and negatived.

Another Amendment proposed, in p. 1, l. 7, to leave out from the word "Pensions" to the end of the Clause.—(Mr. Stephen Walsh.)

Question proposed, That the words proposed to be left out, to the word "shall," in l. 8, stand part of the Clause:— Amendment, by leave, withdrawn.

Amendments made.

Another Amendment proposed, in p. 1, l. 9, to leave out the words "and the Parliamentary Secretary to the Local Government Board."

(Mr. Mac Callum Scott.)

Question proposed, That those words be there added:— Amendment, by leave, withdrawn.

Another Amendment made.

Another Amendment proposed, in p. 1, l. 10, after the words last added, to add the words "and who shall occupy no office or appointment other than that of Minister of Pensions."—(Mr. Henry Terrell.)

Question proposed, That those words be there added:— Amendment, by leave, withdrawn.

Clause, as amended, agreed to.

Clause No. 2 (Duties and powers of Minister of Pensions).

Amendment proposed, in p. 1, l. 13, after the word "Admiralty," to insert the words "including those relating to Greenwich Hospital." —(Sir Clement Kinosho-Cooke.)

Question proposed, That those words be there inserted:— Amendment, by leave, withdrawn.

Another Amendment proposed, in p. 1, l. 19, to leave out from the word "pensions" to the end of l. 21.—(Mr. Hohler.)

Question proposed, That the words proposed to be left out, to the word "for," in l. 20, stand part of the Clause:— Amendment, by leave, withdrawn.

An Amendment made.

Another Amendment proposed, in p. 1, l. 24, after the word "pensions," to insert the words "including men invalided from India and the Colonies."

(Colonel Fate.)

Question, That those words be there inserted, put, and negatived.

Another Amendment proposed, in p. 2, l. 9, to leave out from the word "pensions" to the end of l. 15.—(Major Neuman.)
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 (Relations with Statutory Committees).

Amendment proposed, in p. 2, to leave out the words “and in accordance with the instructions of.”—(Mr. Barnes.)

Question, That the words proposed to be left out stand part of the Clause, put, and agreed to.

Clause agreed to.

Clause No. 4 (Functions of local committees).

Amendment proposed, in p. 2, l. 29, after the first word “pensions,” to insert the words “but to the exclusion of any other body or persons.”—(Mr. Stuart-Wortley.)

Question proposed, That those words be there inserted:—Amendment, by leave, withdrawn.

An Amendment made.

Clause, as amended, agreed to.

Clause No. 5 (Staff, remuneration and expenses).

Amendment proposed, in p. 2, l. 38, to leave out the words “unless he holds another salaried office.”—(Sir Henry Dalziel.)

Question, That the words proposed to be left out stand part of the Clause, put, and negatived.

Clause, as amended, agreed to.

Clause No. 6 agreed to.

Clauses No. 7 and No. 8 amended, and agreed to.

Clause No. 9 agreed to.

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 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 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 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 Dublin Reconstruction (Emergency Provisions) Bill:

Resolved, That this House will, upon Monday next, resolve itself into the said Committee.

Whereupon Mr. Deputy Speaker, pursuant to Adjournment, the Order of the House of the 22nd 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 Monday next, pursuant to the Order of the House of the 22nd day of February last.

Monday, 4th December 1916.

The House being met, the Clerk at the Table Mr. Speaker's informed the House of the unavoidable Absence of Mr. Speaker from this day's Sitting:—Whereupon Mr. M'Lean, the Deputy Chairman, proceeded to the Table, and, after Prayers, prayers took the Chair as Deputy Speaker, pursuant to the Standing Order.

The Gamble Institute, Gourock, 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. Runciman presented, by His Majesty's Trade of New Zealand, the Trade of New Zealand for the year 1915, by Mr. R. W. Dalton, His Majesty's Trade Commissioner for the Dominion of New Zealand.

Mr. Runciman also presented, pursuant to the general directions of an Act of Parliament,—Copy of Lighthouse Account of the General Lighthouse Fund, showing the Income and Expenditure for the year ending 31st March 1918.

Ordered, That the said Papers do lie upon the Table; and that the Paper relative to the General Lighthouse Fund be printed.

The Lord Advocate presented, by His Judicial Majesty's Command,—Copy of Report on the Judicial Statistics of Scotland for the year 1915.
Ordered, That the said Paper do lie upon the Table.

Mr. Secretary Lloyd George presented, by His Majesty’s Command, Supplementary Estimate of the additional number of Men required in the year ending 31st March 1917, in consequence of the War.

Ordered, That the said Estimate be referred to the Committee of Supply; and be printed.

Mr. Secretary Bonar Law presented, by His Majesty’s Command, —Copy of Fifty-second detailed Annual Report of the Registrar General of Marriages, Births, and Deaths in Ireland, 1915.

Ordered, That the said Paper do lie upon the Table.

Mr. Dube presented, by His Majesty’s Command,—Copy of Colonial Report, No. 910 (British Guiana, Report for 1915).

Ordered, That the said Paper do lie upon the Table.

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 Thursday 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 Thursday next, again resolve itself into the said Committee.

The House, according to Order, resolved itself into a Committee on the Dublin Reconstruction (Emergency Provisions) Bill.

Clause No. 1 (Acquisition of land compulsorily for the purpose of street improvements).

Motion made, and Question proposed, That the Chairman do report Progress, and ask leave to sit again.—(Mr. Patrick White):—Motion, by leave, withdrawn.

Clause amended, and agreed to.

Clause No. 2 disagreed to.

Clause No. 3 (Loans in aid of expenses of reconstruction).

Amendment proposed, in p. 2, l. 22, after the word “building,” to insert the words “after deducting their existing charges.”—(Mr. Patrick White.)

Question, That those words be there inserted, put, and negatived.

Another Amendment proposed, in p. 2, l. 22, to leave out from the word “building” to the word “and,” in l. 23.—(Mr. Patrick White.)

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. 4 amended, and agreed to.

Clauses No. 5 to No. 7 agreed to.

A Clause (Preservation of amenity)—(Mr. Duke):—brought up, and read the first and second time, and added to the Bill.

Another Clause (Loans secured by charging order)—(Mr. Duke):—brought up, and read the first and second time, and added to the Bill.

Another Clause (Provisions as to licences of public-houses and hotels destroyed)—(Mr. Nugent):—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.
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Another Clause—(Savings)—(Mr. Patrick White)—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 (Acquisition by corporations and grant of leases in special cases)—(Mr. Patrick White)—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 (Occupation rents)—(Mr. Patrick White)—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 (Application of Town Tenants (Ireland) Act, 1906)—(Mr. Field)—brought up, and read the first time.

The Order of the day being read, for the Committee on the Special Register Bill.

Ordered, That the Bill be read the first time.

Whereupon Mr. Deputy Speaker resumed the Chair; and the Chairman of Ways and Means reported, That the Committee had gone through the Bill.

Bill 132. Ordered, That the Bill, as amended, be printed.

Mr. Deputy Speaker resumed the Chair; and the Chairman of Ways and Means reported, That the Committee had gone through the Bill.

Bill 132. Ordered, That the Bill, as amended, be printed.

The Order of the day being read, for the Committee on the Special Register Bill.

Resolved, That this House will, upon Thursday next, resolve itself into the said Committee.

The Order of the day being read, for the Committee on the Special Register 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 Munitions (Liability for Explosions) Bill:

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time upon Thursday next.

The Order of the day being read, for the Committee of Ways and Means:

Resolved, That this House will, upon Thursday next, resolve itself into the said Committee.

Whereupon Mr. Deputy Speaker, pursuant to the Order of the House of the 22nd 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 Thursday next, pursuant to the Resolution of the House of this day.

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Thursday, 7th December 1916.

The House being met, the Clerk at the Table Mr. Speaker's 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, praying pursuant to the Standing Order.

Mr. Acland presented, pursuant to the directions of several Acts of Parliament,—Copy of Animals Acts, Order, No. 9808, under the Diseases of Animals Acts, dated 29th November 1916, postponing the operation of the Two Orders described in the Schedule thereto until the 1st February 1917.


Mr. Runciman presented, pursuant to the directions of an Act of Parliament,—Copy of (Growers' Returns) Order of the Board of Trade, entitled Potatoes Order, 1916.


Ordered, That the said Papers do lie upon the Table.

Mr. Runciman presented, by His Majesty's Food Supply Command,—Copy of Report of the Physiology of the United Kingdom.

Mr. Runciman also presented, pursuant to the directions of an Act of Parliament,—Copy of (Growers' Returns) Order of the Board of Trade, entitled Potatoes Order, 1916.


Ordered, That the said Papers do lie upon the Table.

Mr. Duke presented, by His Majesty's Command,—Copy of Statistical Tables of the Dublin Metropolitan Police for the year 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 (Foreign and Colonial Post) Money (Cash on Delivery) Amendment (No. 13) Warrant, 1916, dated 14th November 1916.

Ordered, That the said Papers do lie upon the Table.

Mr. Joseph Pease presented, pursuant to the directions of an Act of Parliament,—Copy of (Foreign and Colonial Post) Money (Cash on Delivery) Amendment (No. 13) Warrant, 1916, dated 14th November 1916.

Ordered, That the said Papers do lie upon the Table.
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Mr. Secretary Chamberlain presented, by His Majesty's Command,—Copy of Report on the work of the Indian Students Department, July 1915 to June 1916.

Ordered, That the said Paper do lie upon the Table.

Mr. Secretary Samuel presented, by His Majesty's Command,—Copy of Report of a Committee appointed by the Secretary of State for the Home Department to review the permits under which Alien Enemies are allowed to reside in prohibited areas, and to advise whether any should be withdrawn.

Ordered, That the said Paper do lie upon the Table.

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 passed a Bill, intituled An Act to make provision for framing a Special Register of Electors, and to facilitate voting by persons engaged on war service or on munition work at Elections of Members of Parliament during the present war; to which the Lords desire the concurrence of this House.

Resolved, That this House do now adjourn to Tuesday next.—(Mr. Gulland.)

And accordingly the House, having continued to sit till seven minutes before Three of the clock, adjourned till Tuesday next.

Tuesday, 12th December 1916.

P R A Y E R S.

Destructive Insects and Pests Acts.

Mr. Acland presented, pursuant to the directions of an Act of Parliament,—Copy of Order under the Destructive Insects and Pests Acts, numbered D.I.P. 423 to 427, 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. Secretary Chamberlain presented, by His Majesty's Command,—Copy of Memorandum explanatory of East India Accounts and Estimates, 1916-17, by the Secretary of State for India.

Ordered, That the said Paper do lie upon the Table.

Mr. McKinnon Wood presented, pursuant to the directions of an Act of Parliament,—Copy of Regulations, dated 16th November 1916, made under the Finance (New Duties) Act, 1916, by the Commissioners of Customs and Excise for securing the payment of Entertainments Duty.

Ordered, That the said Paper do lie upon the Table.

Mr. Runciman presented, pursuant to the directions of several Acts of Parliament,—Copy of Order of the Board of Trade relative to the Regulation of Meals, dated 5th December 1916, and made under Regulation 2 F of the Defence of the Realm (Consolidation) Regulations, 1914.

Copy of Supplementary List of persons, firms, and companies as to whom Orders have been made under Section 1 (i) of the Trading with the Enemy (Amendment) Act, 1916.

Ordered, That the said Paper do lie upon the Table.

Mr. Duke presented, pursuant to the directions of an Act of Parliament,—Copy of Time Table of Examinations for Intermediate Education in Ireland for 1917.

Ordered, That the said Paper do lie upon the Table.

Resolved, That this House do now adjourn. Adjournment.

And accordingly the House, having continued to sit till eighteen minutes before Four of the clock, adjourned till Thursday next.—(Mr. Chancellor of the Exchequer.)

And accordingly the House, having continued to sit till seven minutes before Three of the clock, adjourned till Tuesday next.

Thursday, 14th December 1916.

P R A Y E R S.

Mr. Secretary Balfour presented, by His Majesty's Command,—Copy of Correspondence with the Belgian Minister respecting the Deportation of Belgians to Germany, and the forced Labour imposed upon them by the German Authorities.

Ordered, That the said Paper do lie upon the Table.

Sir Richard Winfrey presented, pursuant to the directions of an Act of Parliament,—Copy of Orders under the Destructive Insects and Pests Acts, numbered D.I.P. 428 to 430, 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.

Secretary Sir George Cave 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 for Scotland:

Counts of Somerset (Parish of Somerton) and Anglesey (Village of Llanfair P.G.).
City of Kingston-upon-Hull.
Boroughs of Kidderminster and Boston.
Rural District of Pontardawe.

Ordered, That the said Paper do lie upon the Table.

Mr. Hayes Fisher presented, by His Majesty's Command,—Copy of Supplement to the Forty-Five Annual Report of the Local Government Board, for 1915-16, containing the Report of the Medical Officer for 1915-16.

Ordered, That the said Paper do lie upon the Table.

Mr. Chancellor of the Exchequer presented, by His Majesty's Command,—Copy of Report of the Postmaster General on the Post Office for the year 1915-16.

Annual Accounts of Receipts and Payments in respect of the National School Teachers (Ireland) Pension Fund for the year 1915.

Copy of Seventh Report of the Commissioners of His Majesty's Customs and Excise, for the year ended 31st March 1916, being the Sixtieth Report relating to the Customs and the Fifty-Ninth Report relating to the Excise.

Copy of Fifty-Ninth Report of the Commissioners of inland Revenue, for the year ended 31st March 1916.

Ordered, That the said Papers do lie upon the Table.

Mr. Secretary Long presented, by His Majesty's Command,—Copy of Report of the West African Currency Board for the year ended 30th June 1916.

Copy of Colonial Report, No. 911 (Basutoland, Report for 1915-16).

Ordered, That the said Papers do lie upon the Table.

Mr. Forster presented, pursuant to the directions of an Act of Parliament,—Copy of Army Order of revised Rates for Billeting Soldiers under Section 1086 of the Army Act.

Ordered, That the said Paper do lie upon the Table.

Mr. George Roberts presented, pursuant to the directions of an Act of Parliament,—Copy of Regulations made by the Board of Trade under the National Insurance Act, 1911, dated 6th December 1916, entitled Unemployment Insurance (Supplementary, No. 2) Regulations, 1916.

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 Output of Beer Output of (Restriction) (No. 2) Bill, with an Amendment; by which the Lords desire the concurrence of this House.

The Lords have passed a Bill, intituled An Volunteer Bill to give effect to agreements on the part of members of Volunteer Corps to attend drills or undergo training, or perform military duty; to which the Lords desire the concurrence of this House.

The Lords agree to certain of the Amendments made by this House to the Registration of Business Names Bill [Lords], without any Amendment, and agree to certain other of the said Amendments, with Amendments, and have made certain consequential Amendments to the Bill; to which the Lords desire the concurrence of this House.

Ordered, That the Amendment made by the Lords to the Output of Beer (Restriction) (No. 2) Bill be taken into consideration to-morrow; and to be printed.

The Volunteer Bill [Lords] was read the first time, and ordered to be read a second time to-morrow; and to be printed.

Ordered, That the Amendments made by the Lords to the Amendments made by this House, and the consequential Amendments made by the Lords, to the Registration of Business Names Bill [Lords], be taken into consideration upon Monday next; and to be printed.

William Kennedy Jones, Esquire, Member for New County of Middlesex (Hornsey Division), sworn.

Secretary Sir George Cave, supported by Mr. Re-election of Ministers Chancellor of the Exchequer and Mr. Attorney General, presented a Bill to make temporary provision for rendering unnecessary the re-election of Members of the House of Commons on acceptance of Office: 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 Supply and the Committee of Ways and Means be not interrupted this day under the Standing Order (Sittings of the House), and may be entered upon at any hour though opposed.—(Mr. Chancellor of the Exchequer.)

Resolved, That this House do sit to-morrow.—(Mr. Chancellor of the Exchequer.)

The House, according to Order, resolved itself Supply, into the Committee of Supply.

(In the Committee.)

Supplementary Vote of Credit, 1916-17.

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 1917 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,
Ways and Means.


The House, according to Order, resolved itself into the Committee of Ways and Means.

(In the Committee.)

Resolved, 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.

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.

Ordered, That this House will, to-morrow, again resolve itself into the said Committee.

Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair; and the Chairman of Ways and Means reported, That the Committee had come to 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.

Ordered, That this House will, to-morrow, again resolve itself into the said Committee.

The Order of the day being, for receiving the Report from the Committee of Supply of the 4th day of this instant December;

Ordered, That the Report be received to-morrow.

The Order of the day being, for the Committee on the Government War Obligations Bill;

Resolved, That this House will, upon Monday next, resolve itself into the said Committee.

The Munitions (Liability for Explosions) 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. James Hope.)

The Munitions (Liability for Explosions) Bill, as amended in the Committee;

Ordered, That the Bill be taken into consideration upon Monday next.

The Order of the day being, for taking into consideration the Dublin Reconstruction (Emergency Provisions) Bill, as amended in the Committee;

Ordered, That the Bill be taken into consideration upon Monday next.

The Order of the day being, for the Committee on the Special Register Bill;

Ordered, That the said Order be discharged.

Ordered, That the Bill be withdrawn.

Whereupon Mr. Speaker, pursuant to the Adjournment. Order of the House of the 22nd 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 Eight of the clock, adjourned till to-morrow, pursuant to the Resolution of the House of this day.

Friday, 15th December 1916.

PRAYERS.

M. Duke presented, by His Majesty's Command, —Copy of Fifty-fourth Report of the Inspector of Reformatory and Industrial Schools in Ireland, for the year 1915.

Copy of Order made under the Shops Act, 1912, by the Council of the aforementioned Local Authority, and confirmed by the Lord Lieutenant of Ireland:—

Urban District of Galway.

Ordered, That the said Papers do lie upon the Table.

Mr. Chancellor of the Exchequer presented, Development pursuant to the directions of several Acts of Commission, Parliament, —Copy of Sixth Report of the Development Commissioners, being for the year 1915—16.

Abstract Account showing the Issues made Consolidated from the Consolidated Fund of the United Kingdom in the financial year ended 31st March 1915—16, for the Interest and Management of the Debt, for the Civil List, and for all other Issues in the financial year for Services charged directly on the said Fund; together with the Report of the Comptroller and Auditor General thereon.

Ordered, That the said Papers do lie upon the Table; and be printed.

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 salaries and remuneration under any Act of the present Session for establishing certain new Ministries, and for the appointment of additional Secretaries or Under Secretaries in certain Government Departments, and for purposes incidental thereto:—(Secretary Sir George Cave); —

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.

Secretary Sir George Cave, supported by New Ministries and Secretaries Bill 138, presented a Bill for establishing certain new Ministries, and for the appointment of additional Secretaries or Under Secretaries in certain Government Departments, and for purposes incidental thereto: And the same was ordered to be read a second time upon Monday next; and to be printed.
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Ordered, That the proceedings on Government Business be not interrupted this day at Five o'clock, and may be entered upon at any hour though opposed.—(Mr. Chancellor of the Exchequer.)

The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Re-election of Ministers (No. 2) Bill;

And a Motion being made, and the Question being proposed, That the Bill be now read a second time;

Mr. Speaker called the attention of the House to the continued irrelevance on the part of Mr. Ginnell, Member for North-Westmeath, and directed the honourable Member to discontinue his speech.

And the Question being put;

Ordered, That the Bill be now read a second time:—The Bill was accordingly read a second time.

Resolved, That this House will immediately resolve itself into the Committee on the Bill.—(Mr. J. Hope.)

The House accordingly resolved itself into the Committee.

(In the Committee.)

Clause No. 1 (Necessity for re-election of Ministers suspended).

Amendment proposed, in p. 1, l. 7, to leave out the word “months,” in order to insert the word “months.”—(Mr. Sheevel.)

Question, That the word “months” stand part of the Clause, put, and agreed to.

Clause agreed to.

Clause No. 2 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.

Lord Edmund Talbot reported from the Committee of Supply of the 14th day of this instant December a Resolution; which was read, as follows:

Supplementary Vote of Credit, 1916-17.

That a Supplementary sum not exceeding £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 1917 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.

The said Resolution, being read a second time, was agreed to.

Mr. James Hope reported from the Committee Supply [4th December] Report. of Supply of the 4th day of this instant December several Resolutions; which were read, as follows:

Civil Services Supplementary Estimates, 1916-17.

Class II.

1. That a Supplementary sum not exceeding £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 1917 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.

Class IV.

2. That a Supplementary sum not exceeding £178,880 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 1917 for the Expenses of the Commissioners of National Education in Ireland, including Grants in Aid of the Teachers' Pension Fund, Ireland.

The said Resolutions, being read a second time, were agreed to.

Mr. James Hope reported from the Committee Supply and of Ways and Means of the 14th day of this instant December a Resolution; which was read, as follows:

Towards making good the Supply granted to His Majesty for the service of the year ending on the 31st day of March 1917, the sum of £400,179,480 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 Consolidated said Resolution: And that the Chairman of Fund Ways and Means, Mr. Chancellor of the Exchequer, and Mr. James Hope do prepare and bring it in.

Mr. Chancellor of the Exchequer 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 seventeen, 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 upon Tuesday next; and to be printed.

The Volunteer Bill [Lords] was, according Volunteer Order, read a second time.

Ordered, That the Bill be committed to a Committee of the whole House for Tuesday next.—(Mr. Beck.)

The House, according to Order, proceeded to take into consideration the Amendment made by the Lords to the Output of Beer (Restriction) 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.

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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.

Whereupon Mr. Speaker adjourned the House without Question put, pursuant to Standing Order No. 3, it being then six minutes before Five of the clock, till Monday next.

**Monday, 18th December 1916.**

**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 Sheffield (Hallam Division), in the room of the Right Honourable Charles Belby Stuart-Wortley, King’s Counsel, 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.)

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 Ashton-under-Lyne, in the room of Major Sir William Maxwell Aitken, Baronet, 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.—(Lord Edmund Talbot.)

Mr. Forster presented, by His Majesty’s Command,—Copy of Final Report of the Committee on the Administration and Command of the Royal Flying Corps, &c.

Ordered, That the said Paper do lie upon the Table.

Mr. Secretary Balfour presented, by His Majesty’s Command,—Copy of Notification of His Majesty’s determination that service on His Majesty’s Special Mission to the Holy See shall be deemed to be service on a Diplomatic Mission of the Second Class, December 1916.

Ordered, That the said Paper do lie upon the Table.

Mr. Secretary Long presented, by His Majesty’s Command,—Copy of Colonial Report, No. 912 (Barbados, Report for 1915-16),

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 Court (Fees.) the Table by the Clerk of the House:—Copy of Order, dated 6th December 1916, as to Supreme Court Fees (Deposit of Securities with the Treasury), 1916.

Mr. Speaker acquainted the House that a Message from the Lords had been brought from the Lords by the Lord one of their Clerks, as followeth:

The Lords have agreed to the Re-election of Ministers (No. 2) Bill, without any Amendment.

Ordered, That, for the remainder of the Business of the House, Government Business be not interrupted under any Standing Order regulating the Sittings of the House, and may be entered upon at any hour though opposed.—(Mr. Chancellor of the Exchequer.)

A Motion was made, and the Question was proposed, That the Resolution of the Committee on New Ministries and Secretaries [Salaries and Remuneration] may be considered this day as soon as it is reported from the Committee, notwithstanding the practice of the House relating to the interval between the report and consideration of such a Resolution—(Mr. Chancellor of the Exchequer):—And the said Motion was, with leave of the House, withdrawn.

The House, according to Order, resolved itself into a Committee on New Ministries and Secretaries [Salaries and Remuneration].

( In the Committee.)

Resolved, That it is expedient to authorise the payment, out of moneys provided by Parliament, of an annual salary not exceeding two thousand pounds to any Minister, and to any Under Secretary to a Secretary of State while he performs the duties of Minister of Blockade, appointed under any Act of the present Session for establishing certain new Ministries, and for the appointment of additional Secretaries or Under Secretaries in certain Government departments, and of other salaries, remuneration, and expenses which may become payable in pursuance of such Act.—(Secretary Sir George Cane.)

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 New Second Reading of the New Ministries and Secretaries 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 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 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:


And the Question being again proposed, That the New Ministries and Secretaries Bill be now read a second time;

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. James Hope)

The House, according to Order, resolved itself into a Committee on the Government War Obligations Bill.

Clause No. 1 (Extension of the Government War Obligations Act, 1914).

Amendment proposed, in p. 1, l. 10, to leave out the words "in the like manner of money," in order to insert the words "out of money provided by Parliament." (Mr. Watt.)

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 the words "the passing of this Act," in order to insert the words "the twenty-third day of November, nineteen hundred and sixteen." (Mr. Watt.)

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, at the end, to insert the words "Provided that the Schedule to the Government War Obligations Act, 1914, shall be limited so as to exclude the obligations set out in paragraphs (2), (3), (4), and (5) of that Schedule."—(Mr. Watt.)

Question proposed, 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 "Provided that the obligations set out in section one, subsection (3), of the Government War Obligations Act, 1915, are hereby excluded."—(Mr. Pringle.)

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 "of" to the word "loans," in l. 19.—(Mr. Watt.)

Question proposed, That the words proposed to be left out stand part of the Clause:

But it appearing to the Chairman that the Chairman rules it out of Order.

Another Amendment proposed, in p. 1, l. 21, to leave out the words "either actual or apprehended."—(Mr. Watt.)

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. 22, to leave out subsection (3).—(Sir Charles Henry.)

Question, That the words proposed to be left out, to the word "Banking," in p. 1, l. 24, stand part of the Clause, put, and agreed to.

Amendments made.

Another Amendment proposed, in p. 1, l. 25, at the end, to add the words "Provided that such advance or guarantee does not exceed fifty thousand pounds per annum, or does not extend beyond the period of ten years."—(Mr. Watt.)

Question, That those words be there added, put, and negatived.

Clause, as amended, agreed to.

Clause No. 2 (Further provision with respect to deposit, &c. of securities).

Amendments made.

Another Amendment proposed, in p. 2, l. 21, to leave out from the word "Treasury" to the end of the subsection.—(Mr. Watt.)

Question, That the words proposed to be left out, to the word "shall," in l. 23, stand part of the Clause, put, and agreed to.
Bill.

(Emergency Reconstruction Dublin) twice read; and made part of the Bill.

Mr. Clancy) was "twelve," instead thereof (Mr. Duke) ;

out the word "thirty," and inserting the word

the words "or restored;" and in 1. 5, by leaving

by leaving out the words "damaged or " and

the words "continued in force up to," instead thereof ; in

(Apportionment of losses).—(Mr. Clancy.)

Another Amendment was proposed to be made to the

Bill (Valuation of injured premises).—(Mr. Clancy.)

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

(Application of 6 Edw. 7, c. 54).—(Mr. Field.)

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 offered to be added to the Bill

(Provisions as to recovery of principal money).—(Mr. Patrick White.)

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

(Provisions as to borrowing).—(Mr. Patrick White.)

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

(Exception).—(Mr. Nugent.)

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 (Extension of 6 Edw. 7, c. 54, s. 5)—(Mr. Field)—was twice read; and made part of the Bill.

Then an Amendment was made to the Bill.

Another Amendment was proposed to be made to the

Bill, in p. 5, l. 1, by leaving out from the word "building" to the word "and," in l. 2:—

(Mr. Patrick White.)

And the Question being proposed, That the words proposed to be left out stand part of the Bill:—The said proposed Amendment was, with leave of the House, withdrawn.

Another Amendment was proposed to be made to the

Bill, in p. 5, l. 17, by inserting at the end thereof the words "Provided also, that the whole or any portion of any balance of any such advance outstanding at any time may be repaid by the borrower on giving six months' notice in writing to the corporation."—(Mr. Clancy.)

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. 23, by inserting at the end thereof the words—

"(4) Where a loan is made to the corporation for the purposes of this Act—

(a) The loan shall be made at the minimum rate for loans out of the Local Loans Fund at the time of the advance;

(b) During the period of repayment the rate of interest shall vary from time to time so as to correspond with the minimum rate for the time being allowed for loans out of the Local Loans Fund;

(c) The loan may be made for such period not exceeding eighty years as may be sanctioned by the Local Government Board, and the periods in sections two hundred and thirty-eight and two
hundred and forty-eight, respectively, of the Public Health (Ireland) Act, 1878, shall be extended accordingly;

(d) The whole or any portion of any loan outstanding at any time may be repaid by the corporation on giving six months' notice in writing to the lenders of same;

(e) The extension of the period of repayment shall not be a ground for increasing the rate of interest.”

—(Mr. Clancy.)

And the Question being proposed, That those words be there inserted in the Bill:

The proposed Amendment was amended, in l. 4, by leaving out paragraph (b).—(Mr. Duke.)

And the Question being put, That the words—

“ (4) Where a loan is made to the corporation for the purposes of this Act—

(a) The loan shall be made at the minimum rate for loans out of the Local Loans Fund at the time of the advance;

(b) The loan may be made for such period not exceeding eighty years as may be sanctioned by the Local Government Board, and the periods in sections two hundred and thirty-eight and two hundred and forty-eight, respectively, of the Public Health (Ireland) Act, 1878, shall be extended accordingly;

(c) The whole or any portion of any balance of any such loan outstanding at any time may be repaid by the corporation on giving six months' notice in writing to the lenders of same;

(d) The extension of the period of repayment shall not be a ground for increasing the rate of interest”

be there inserted in the Bill:—It was resolved in the Affirmative.

Then other Amendments were made to the Bill:

Ordered, That the Bill be now read the third time:—The Bill was accordingly read the third time and passed.

Ordered, That the Clerk do carry the Bill to the Lords, and desire their concurrence.

The House, according to Order, resolved itself into a Committee on the Munitions (Liability for Explosions) 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 Amendments made by the Lords to the Amendments made by this House, and the consequential Amendments made by the Lords, to the Registration of Business Names Bill [Lords].

The Lords' Amendment in l. 6, after (“ Act”), insert (“ and that if at the expiration of the said two months the conditions affecting the firm or persons have ceased to be such as to require registration under this Act, the firm or person need not be registered so long as such conditions continue”), being read a second time, was agreed to.

The Lords' Amendment in l. 1, leave out subsection (1), and insert the words omitted as a new Clause (“ Offences by corporations ”), the next Amendment, being read a second time, was agreed to.

The Lords' consequential Amendment to the Bill, in Clause 12, p. 5, l. 13, leave out (“ appointed by the Treasury “), and insert (“ prescribed “), the next Amendment, being read a second time, was agreed to.

The Lords' Amendment in l. 3, after (“ circulars “), insert (“ show cards “), and in l. 6, leave out (“ the United Kingdom “), and insert (“ any part of His Majesty’s dominions “), the next Amendment, being read a second time, was agreed to.

The Lords' consequential Amendment to the Bill, in p. 6, l. 31, at the end, insert (“ Show cards shall mean cards containing or exhibiting articles dealt with, or samples or representations thereof “), the next Amendment, being read a second time, was agreed to.

The Lords' Amendment in p. 6, l. 24 to 28, at the end, add—

“(In the case of a peer or person usually known by a British title different from his surname, the title by which he is known shall be substituted in this Act for his surname."

References in this Act to a former Christian name or surname shall not, in the case of natural-born British subjects, include a former Christian name or surname where that name or surname has been changed or dismissed before the person bearing the name had attained the age of eighteen years; and, in the case of a married woman, shall not include the name or surname by which she was known previous to the marriage.

References in this Act to a change of name shall not include, in the case of natural-born British subjects, a change of name which has taken place before the person whose name has been changed has attained the age of eighteen years; or, in the case of a peer or a person usually known by a British title different from his surname, the adoption of or succession to the title “), the next Amendment, being read a second time, was agreed to.

Ordered, That the Clerk do carry the Bill to the Lords; and acquaint them that this House hath agreed to the Amendments made by their Lordships to the Amendments made by this House, and to the consequential Amendments made by their Lordships, to the Bill.

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.

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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.

Adjourned.

Whereupon Mr. Speaker, pursuant to the Order of the House of the 22nd 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 Eleven of the clock, adjourned till to-morrow.

Tuesday, 19th December 1916.

PRAYERS.

Mr. Chancellor of the Exchequer presented, by His Majesty’s Command,—Copy of Reports respecting Peterhead Harbour Works.

Copy of Order, dated 18th December 1916, made by the Welsh Insurance Commissioners, entitled the National Health Insurance (Wales) (Deposit Contributors’ Benefits) Order, 1916.

Mr. Chancellor of the Exchequer also presented,—Return to an Order, dated the 29th day of June last, for a Return relative to Channel Islands (Crown Rights).

Mr. Chancellor of the Exchequer also presented, pursuant to the directions of several Acts of Parliament,—Copy of Treasury Minute under the Superannuation Act, 1867, dated 30th November 1916, granting a retired allowance to Mr. George Badrick, Staff Clerk in the Librarian’s Department of the Foreign Office.

Copy of Regulations relating to Income Tax Quarterly Assessments, dated 19th December 1916, made by the Commissioners of Inland Revenue under the Finance (No. 2) Act, 1915.

Ordered, That the said Papers do lie upon the Table.

Mr. Herbert Lewis presented, by His Majesty’s Command,—Copy of Summons of Returns as to School Attendance and Employment in Agriculture, supplied by County Local Education Authorities, of Children excused from School for Employment in Agriculture on 16th October 1916.

Mr. Herbert Lewis also presented, pursuant to the directions of an Act of Parliament,—Copy of Order in Council under the Naval and Marine Pay and Pensions Act, 1895, dated 6th December 1916, approving a Memorial of the Lords Commissioners of the Admiralty.

Ordered, That the said Papers do lie upon the Table.

Mr. George Roberts presented, pursuant to the directions of an Act of Parliament,—Copy of Order by the Board of Trade, entitled the Price of Milk Order (No. 2), 1916, dated 12th December 1916, made under Regulation 2 J of the Defence of the Realm Consolidation Regulations, 1914, varying the Price of Milk Order, 1916.

Ordered, That the said Paper do lie upon the Table.

Ordered, That there be laid before this House Adjournment a Return of the number of Public Petitions Petitions presented and printed in Session 1916, with the total number of signatures in that Session (in

Ordered, That there be laid before this House Business of a Return showing, with reference to Session the House, 1916, (1) the total number of days on which the House sat; and (2) the days on which Business of Supply was considered (in continuation of Parliamentary Paper, No. 421 of Session 1914-16.—(The Chairman of Ways and Means.)
Ordered, That there be laid before this House 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 1916, 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. 0.110 of Session 1914-16).—(The Chairman of Ways and Means.)

Ordered, That there be laid before this House a Return of the number of Select Committees appointed in Session 1916 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 name of the Member who moved for such Select Committees; also the total number of Members who served on Select Committees (in continuation of Parliamentary Paper, No. 0.105 of Session 1914-16).—(The Chairman of Ways and Means.)

Ordered, That there be laid before this House a Return of the number of days on which the House sat in Session 1916, 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.—(The Chairman of Ways and Means.)

Message from the Lords.

Mr. Speaker acquainted the House that the Lords have agreed to the Defence of the Realm (Acquisition of Land) Bill, with Amendments; to which the Lords desire the concurrence of this House.

The Lords have agreed to the SGamble Institute, Gourock, Order Confirmation Bill, without any Amendment.

The Lords have agreed to the Constabulary and Police (Ireland) Bill, without any Amendment.

The Lords have agreed to the Sailors and Soldiers (Gifts for Land Settlement) Bill, without any Amendment.

The Lords have agreed to the Defence of the Realm (Acquisition of Land) Bill, with Amendments; to which the Lords desire the concurrence of this House.

The Lords have agreed to the Prevention of Corruption Bill, with an Amendment; to which the Lords desire the concurrence of this House.

Ordered, That the Amendments made by the Lords to the Defence of the Realm (Acquisition of Land) Bill be taken into consideration to-morrow; and be printed.

Mr. Chancellor of the Exchequer, supported public authorities and bodies: And the same was ordered to be read a second time to-morrow; and to be printed.

The Consolidated Fund (Appropriation) Bill was, according to Order, read a second time (Appropriation) Bill. House for to-morrow.

Mr. James Hope reported from the Committees on New Ministries and Secretaries [Salaries and Remuneration] a Resolution; which was read as followeth:

That it is expedient to authorise the payment out of monies provided by Parliament, of an annual salary not exceeding two thousand pounds to any Minister, and to any Under Secretary to a Secretary of State while he performs the duties of Minister of Blockade, appointed under any Act of the present Session for establishing certain new Ministries, and for the appointment of additional Secretaries or Under Secretaries in certain Government departments, and of other salaries, remuneration, and expenses which may become payable in pursuance of such Act.

The said Resolution, being read a second time, was agreed to.

The House, according to Order, resolved itself into a Committee on the New Ministries and Secretaries Bill.

(In the Committee.)

Clausel 1 to No. 5 agreed to.

Clause No. 6 (Powers and duties of Shipping Controller).

Amendment proposed, in p. 2, l. 28, after the first word "him," to insert the words "and particularly all the powers and duties of the Board of Trade in relation to shipping and the administration of the Merchant Shipping Act, 1894."—(Mr. Peto.)

Question proposed, That those words be there inserted:—Amendment, by leave, withdrawn.

Clause agreed to.

Clause No. 7 (Suspension of limit on number of Parliamentary Under Secretaries of State).

Amendment proposed, in p. 3, l. 3, to leave out from the beginning to the word "and," in l. 6.—(Mr. Sherwell.)

Question proposed, That the words proposed to be left out, to the word "additional," in l. 3, stand part of the Clause:—Amendment, by leave, withdrawn.

Amendments made.

Clause, as amended, agreed to.

Clause No. 8 (Officers, remuneration and expenses).

Amendment proposed, in p. 3, l. 21, after the word "Minister," to insert the words "with the approval of the Treasury."—(Mr. Sherwell.)

Question, That those words be there inserted, put, and negatived:—Amendment, by leave, withdrawn.

Clause agreed to.

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Clause No. 9 agreed to.
Clause No. 10 (Ability of Minister and secretaries to sit in Parliament).
Amendment proposed, in p. 4, l. 36, to leave out the words "two secretaries," in order to insert the words "one secretary." — (Mr. McKenna.)

Question proposed, That the words "two secretaries" stand part of the Clause:—
Amendment, by leave, withdrawn.

Clause agreed to.

Clauses No. 11 to No. 13 agreed to.

A Clause (Establishment of Air Board)—(Secretary Sir George Cave)—brought up, and read the first and second time, and added to the Bill.

Another Clause (Powers and duties of Air Board)—(Secretary Sir George Cave)—brought up, and read the first and second time, and added to the Bill.

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:—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 Volunteer Bill [Lords].

(In the Committee.)

Clauses No. 1 and No. 2 agreed to.

Bill to be reported.

Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair; and the Chairman of Ways and Means reported, That the Committee had gone through the Bill.

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 Volunteer Bill [Lords].

(In the Committee.)

War Loan.

Resolved, That the Treasury may borrow in such manner as they think fit, on the security of the Consolidated Fund, 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, nineteen hundred and seventeen, and in addition a sum not exceeding two hundred and fifty million pounds; and that there shall be charged on the Consolidated Fund—

(a) any sums which may be required to be so charged in the exercise, in connection with any money to be so borrowed, of any powers which were given by the War Loan Act, 1914, or the War Loan Act, 1915, or any other enactment in connection with money borrowed under the War Loan Acts, 1914 and 1915, or any other enactment; and

(b) any sums which may be required for the expenses of the redemption of any securities issued for the purpose of money to be so borrowed, or of money borrowed under section fifty-eight of the Finance Act, 1916.

—(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 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. Deputy Speaker, pursuant Adjournment, to the Order of the House of the 22nd 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 Ten of the clock, adjourned till to-morrow.

Wednesday, 20th December 1916.

PRAYERS.

Mr. George Roberts presented, pursuant to Light the directions of an Act of Parliament, 1896 and 1912. —Copy of Report of the proceedings of the Board of Trade under the Light Railways Acts, 1896 and 1912, up to the 31st December 1915, and of the proceedings of the Light Railway Commissioners up to the same date.

Ordered, That the said Paper do lie upon the Table; and be printed.

Secretary Sir George Cave presented, by His Police Majesty's Command, —Copy of Report of the (Metropolis). Commissioner of Police for the Metropolis for the year 1915.

Ordered, That the said Paper do lie upon the Table.

The following Papers were laid upon the Table by the Clerk of the House:—

Return to an Order, dated the 19th day of Adjournment this instant December, for a Return relative to Standing Adjournment Motions under Standing Order No. 10.

Return to an Order, dated the 19th day of Business of this instant December, for a Return relative to the House Business of the House.

Return to an Order, dated the 19th day of Private Bills this instant December, for Returns relative to Private Private Bills and Private Business.

Return to an Order, dated the 19th day of Public Bills this instant December, for a Return relative to Public Bills.

Return to an Order, dated the 19th day of Public this instant December, for a Return relative to Petitions Public Petitions.
Return to an Order, dated the 19th day of this instant December, for a Return relative to Select Committees.

Ordered, That the Amendment made by the Lords to the Ministry of Pensions Bill be taken into consideration to-morrow; and to be printed.

Mr. Speaker acquainted the House that a Message had been brought from the Lords by one of their Clerks, as followeth:

The Lords have agreed to the Ministry of Pensions Bill, with Amendments; to which the Lords desire the concurrence of this House.

Mr. Dillon, Member for East Mayo, rose in his place and asked leave to move the adjournment of the House for the purpose of discussing a "definite matter of urgent public importance, viz., the refusal of the Government to release immediately the untried Irish political prisoners now interned in Great Britain; and the pleasure of the House having been signified, the Motion stood over, under Standing Order No. 10, till a quarter of an hour after Eight of the clock this evening.

The House, according to Order, resolved itself into a Committee on the Consolidated Fund ( Appropriation) Bill.

In the Committee.

Clauses No. 1 to No. 7 agreed to.

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.

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Mr. James Hope reported from the Committee Ways and Means [19th December] instant December a Resolution; which was read, as followeth:

War Loan.

That the Treasury may borrow in such manner War Loan, as they think fit, on the security of the Consolidated Fund, 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, nineteen hundred and seventeen, and in addition a sum not exceeding two hundred and fifty million pounds; and that there shall be charged on the Consolidated Fund—

(a) any sums which may be required to be so charged in the exercise, in connection with any money to be so borrowed, of any powers which were given by the War Loan Act, 1914, or the War Loan Act, 1915, or any other enactment in connection with money borrowed under the War Loan Acts, 1914 and 1915, or any other enactment; and

(b) any sums which may be required for the expenses of the redemption of any securities issued for the purpose of money to be so borrowed, or of money borrowed under the War Loan Acts, 1914 and 1915, or any other enactment; and

(c) any sums which may be required for the remuneration of the Banks of England and Ireland in connection with the management of any securities issued for the purpose of money to be so borrowed, or of money borrowed under section fifty-eight of the Finance Act, 1916.

The said Resolution, 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. James Hope do prepare and bring it in.

Mr. Chancellor of the Exchequer accordingly War Loan 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 Order of the day being read, for taking into consideration the Amendments made by the Lords to the Defence of the Realm (Acquisition of Land) Bill; And a Motion being made, and the Question being proposed, That the Lords' Amendments be now taken into consideration—(Mr. James Hope) —And a Debate arising thereupon;

And a Motion being made, and the Question being put, That the Debate be now adjourned—(Mr. Dundon White)— It was resolved in the Affirmative.

Ordered, That the Debate be resumed to-morrow.

The House, according to Order, proceeded to take into consideration the New Ministries and Secretaries Bill, as amended in the Committee.

An Amendment was proposed to be made to Clause 9, by Bill, in p. 1, l. 4, by inserting, after the word "Trade," the words "and the Home Office."—(Mr. Ramsey MacDonald.)

And the Question being put, That those words be there inserted in the Bill;
The House divided.

The Yeas to the Right;

The Noes to the Left.

Tellers for the [Mr. Sherwell, Yeas, (Mr. Thomas Richardson); 61.

Tellers for the [Lord Edmund Talbot, Noes, (Mr. Hee); 172.

So it passed in the Negative.

Another Amendment was proposed to be made to the Bill, in p. 1, l. 12, by inserting, after the word “Trade,” the words “and of the Ministry of Munitions.”—(Mr. Anderson.)

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. 3, by leaving out from the word “food” to the word “and,” in l. 5.—(Mr. Leslie Scott.)

And the Question being proposed, That the words proposed to be left out stand part of the Bill:—The said proposed Amendment was, with leave of the House, withdrawn.

Another Amendment was proposed to be made to the Bill, in p. 2, l. 8, by inserting, after the first word “him,” the words “and particularly all the powers of the Secretary of State for War in relation to the employment of prisoners of war in agriculture.”—(Mr. Peto.)

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. 20, by leaving out Clause 6.—(Mr. Runciman.)

And the Question being proposed, That the words proposed to be left out stand part of the Bill:—The said proposed Amendment was, with leave of the House, withdrawn.

Another Amendment was proposed to be made to the Bill, in p. 2, by leaving out Clause 7.—(Mr. Ashley.)

And the Question being proposed, That the words proposed to be left out stand part of the Bill:—The said proposed Amendment was, with leave of the House, withdrawn.

Then Amendments were made to the Bill.

Ordered, That the Bill be 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 Supply. into the Committee of Supply.

(In the Committee.)


Resolved, 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, for the year ending on the 31st day of March 1917.

Resolution to be reported.

Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair; and Mr. Dickinson reported, That the Committee had come to a Resolution.

Ordered, That the Report be received to-morrow.

The House, according to Order, proceeded to take into consideration the Amendment made Corruption by the Lords to the Prevention of Corruption 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.

Whereupon Mr. Speaker, pursuant to the Adjournment, ordered the House of the 22nd 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 22nd day of February last, it being then ten minutes before Nine of the clock, till to-morrow.

Thursday, 21st December 1916.

PRAYERS.

Mr. George Roberts presented, pursuant to the directions of an Act of Parliament, a Copy of the Annual Report of the Board of Trade on the case of Corrupt Practices in the Banavie and Mallaig Railway, the Rates and Charges for Traffic, and the Receipts and Expenditure of the Company in working the Railway, for the year 1915–16.

Ordered, That the said Paper do lie upon the Table.
Mr. Chancellor of the Exchequer presented, pursuant to the directions of several Acts of Parliament,—Copy of Return of amount payable on 5th January 1916 out of the Consolidated Fund for Ecclesiastical Purposes in the West Indies.

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 for Scotland and the Commissioners of Works, respectively, under the Housing Act, 1914, for the period ended 31st March 1916; together 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 expended and borrowed and the Securities created under the said Act, for the period ended the 31st March 1916 (Final Account); together with the Report of the Comptroller and Auditor General thereon.

Account showing the money issued from the Consolidated Fund under the provisions of the Public Offices 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 1916; together with the Report of the Comptroller and Auditor General thereon.

Mr. Secretary Balfour presented, by His Majesty's command,—Copy of Note communicated by the United States Ambassador, 12th December 1916.

Copy of Note communicated by the United States Ambassador, 20th December 1916

Mr. Duke presented, pursuant to the directions of an Act of Parliament,—Copy of the Black Scal in Potatoes (Special Area, Ireland) Order, No. 2, 1916.

Ordered, That the said Papers do lie upon the Table.

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Ordered, That there be laid before this House a Return showing, to the latest year available, for Ireland as a whole, (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 six years from 1909; such Prices to be compiled from the Returns of Prices of crops, live stock, and other Irish agricultural products, hereafter published by 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.—(Major Neuman.)

Resolved, That this House do sit to-morrow.—(Mr. Chancellor of the Exchequer.)

Ordered, That the remaining stages of the War Loan Bill may be taken immediately after the Bill has been read a second time, notwithstanding the practice of the House relating to the interval between the various stages of such a Bill.—(Mr. Chancellor of the Exchequer.)

The Order of the day being read, for resuming the Defence of the Realm (Acquisition of Land) Bill.

The Order of the day being read, for resuming the adjourned Debate on the Question proposed upon the 20th day of this instant, upon the consideration of the Amendments made by the Lords to the Defence of the Realm (Acquisition of Land) Bill, That the Lords' Amendments be now taken into consideration;

And the Question being again proposed:—The House resumed the said adjourned Debate.

And the Question being put:—It was resolved in the Affirmative.

The House accordingly proceeded to take the said Amendments into consideration.

The Lords' Amendments as far as the Amendment in p. 2, l. 6, being read a second time, were agreed to.

The Lords' Amendment in p. 2, l. 6, leave out ("the next following section"), and insert ("section two"), and, at the end, insert—

("Provided that—"

(a) If the exercise of any such powers causes the pollution, abstraction, or diversion of water, or the emission of any noxious fumes, to such an extent that if exercise of such powers had not been authorised by this Act persons interested in adjoining or neighbouring land would have been entitled to restrain the exercise thereof, any person who would have been so entitled shall be entitled to such compensation in respect of any loss occasioned by such pollution, abstraction, diversion, or emission during the period of occupation under this section as, failing agreement, may be determined in manner provided by this Act; and

(b) nothing in this section shall be construed as depriving any person of any right to recover damages in respect of any injury to property caused by accident due to the exercise of any such powers as aforesaid.

the next Amendment, being read a second time;

And it appearing that the object of the [Special Entry] Amendment was to make provision for a case of compen-sation not previously contemplated by the Commons, the same was agreed to.

The Lords' Amendment in p. 2, l. 12, leave out ("by the Commission"), and insert ("in manner provided by this Act," and in determining such compensation regard may be had to any loss suffered by the temporary severance of the land occupied from other land occupied therewith immediately before the time when possession was taken by the occupying department, or by reason of such other land being otherwise injuriously affected by the exercise of the powers conferred by this section; and in determining the rent payable under this provision regard shall be had to the like considerations as are set out in paragraph 6 of the Schedule to this Act with respect to the determination of compensation payable for land acquired under this Act"), the next Amendment, being read a second time:

And a Motion being made, and the Question being put: That this House doth agree with the Lords in the said Amendment.—(Secretary Sir George Care) :—It passed in the Negative.

Then an Amendment was made to the Bill, in lieu of the said Lords' Amendment disagreed to,
in p. 2, l. 12, by leaving out the words " by the Commission," and inserting the words "in manner provided by this Act; and in determining the rent payable under this provision regard shall be had to the like considerations as are set out in paragraph 6 of the Schedule to this Act with respect to the determination of compensation payable for land acquired under this Act"—(Sir John Tudor Walters),—instead thereof.

Then the subsequent Lords' Amendments as far as the Amendment in p. 4, l. 28, being read a second time, were agreed to.

The Lords' Amendment in p. 4, l. 28, at the end, insert ("but nothing in such modifications shall affect any right to compensation under the Lands Clauses Acts in respect of the severance of the land acquired from other land belonging to the same owner, or by reason of such other land being otherwise injuriously affected by the exercise of the powers of user thereof conferred by this Act"), 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. 26, being read a second time, were agreed to.

The Lords' Amendment in p. 5, l. 25, leave out ("be entitled to such compensation as the Commission may think just"), and insert ("he shall")—

(i) if the land is used for a purpose for which it could have been used had the land been acquired under the Defence Acts, 1842 to 1875, or the Military Lands Acts, 1892 to 1903, be entitled to such compensation in respect of any breach of a restrictive covenant or damage caused by the pollution, abstraction, or diversion of water, or by the emission of noxious fumes, as, in default of agreement, may be determined in manner provided by this Act; and

(ii) if the land is used for any other purpose, be entitled to such compensation in respect of any damage occasioned by such user as, in default of agreement, may be determined in manner provided by this Act;

the next Amendment, being read a second time.

And it appearing that the object of the Amendment was to make provision for a case of compensation not previously contemplated by the Commons, the same was agreed to.

Then the subsequent Lords' Amendments as far as the Amendment in p. 9, l. 17, being read a second time, were agreed to.

The Lords' Amendment in p. 9, l. 17, at the beginning, insert—

("(1) All questions as to compensation, or as to the purchase price of land or any interest therein, to be paid under this Act shall—

(a) if both parties agree within such time as may be allowed by the Commission, be determined by a single arbitrator agreed by the parties;

(b) if either party so requires, within such time as may be allowed by the Commission, be referred to such one of a panel of referees to be appointed in like manner as the panel appointed under Part L. of the Finance (1909-10) Act, 1910, as may be selected by the Reference Committee as defined by section thirty-three of that Act, whose decision shall, subject to an appeal to the Commission on any question of law, be final;

(c) in any other case, be determined by the Commission"),

the next Amendment, being read a second time;
The War Pensions 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 War Loan 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.)

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 Government War Obligations 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 Amendments made by the Lords to the Ministry of Pensions Bill.

The Lords' Amendments as far as the Amendment in p. 2, l. 24, being read a second time, were agreed to.

The Lords' Amendment in p. 2, l. 24, after (“ 1915 ”), insert (“ other than those relating to separation allowances ”), the next Amendment, being read a second time, was disagreed to.

The Lords' Amendment in p. 4, l. 1 and 2, leave out (“ One of the secretaries of the Ministry shall not by reason of his office be ”), and insert (“ The office of secretary in the Ministry shall not rendered the holder thereof ”), the next Amendment, being read a second time;

And a Motion being made, and the Question being put, That this House doth agree with the Lords in the said Amendment.—(Mr. Arthur Henderson):—It passed in the Negative.

Then the remaining Lords' Amendment, being read a second time, was disagreed to.

Ordered, That a Committee be appointed to draw up Reasons to be assigned to the Lords for disagreeing to certain of their Amendments to the Bill.

And a Committee was accordingly nominated of Mr. Arthur Henderson, Mr. Henry, Mr. Hogg, Mr. Pollock, and Sir John Simon.

Ordered, That Three be the Quorum of the Committee:—And they are to withdraw immediately.—(Mr. James Hope.)

Mr. James Hope reported from the Committee Supply [20th December] December a Resolution; which was read, as followeth:

Army Supplementary Estimates, 1916-17.

That an additional number of Land Forces 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, for the year ending on the 31st day of March 1917.

The said Resolution, being read a second time was agreed to.

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 New Ministries New Ministries and Secretaries Bill, without any Amendment.

The Lords have agreed to the Public Authorities and Bodies (Loans) Bill, without any Amendment.

The Lords have agreed to the Dublin Reconstruction (Emergency Provisions) Bill, with Amendments; which the Lords desire the concurrence of this House.

Secretary Sir George Cave reported from the Defence of Committee appointed to draw up Reasons to be the Realm assigned to the Lords for disagreeing to certain of the Amendments made by their Lordships to the Defence of the Realm (Acquisition of Land) 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. 4, l. 29, for the following Reason:—Because it is inadvisable to introduce into the Bill the principle of compensation for severance and injuriously affecting land.

The Commons disagree to the Amendment made by the Lords in p. 14, l. 33, for the following Reason:—Because they consider that it is beyond the general scope of the Bill.

The Commons disagree to the Amendment made by the Lords in p. 16, l. 16, for the following Reason:—Because it is desirable that the question whether part only of buildings shall be taken should be determined by the Commission.

Ordered, That the Clerk do carry the Bill to the Lords; and acquaint them that this House hath agreed to certain of the Amendments made by their Lordships; hath disagreed to certain other Amendments, for which they assign Reasons; and hath made an Amendment to the Bill in lieu of one of the Amendments disagreed to; to which this House doth desire the concurrence of their Lordships.

Mr. Arthur Henderson 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 Ministry of Pensions 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. 2, l. 24, for the follow-
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 the present Parliament for the Borough of Tower Hamlets (Whitechapel Division), in the room of Sir Stuart Montague Samuel, Baronet, 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. Gulland.)

Mr. Prothero presented, pursuant to the directions of several Acts of Parliament,—Copies of Orders under the Destructive Insects and Pests Acts, numbered D.I.P. 437, 438, and 440 to 447, 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. Herbert Lewis presented, pursuant to the Naval and Marine Pay and Pensions Act, 1865, under the Naval and Marine Pay and Pensions Act, 1916.

Ordered, That the said Paper be laid upon the Table.

Mr. Chancellor of the Exchequer presented, Enemy Banks—By His Majesty’s Command,—Copy of Report (London Agents) of Sir William Plender to the Right Honourable the Chancellor of the Exchequer on Enemy Banks (London Agencies), dated 16th December 1916.

Mr. Chancellor of the Exchequer also presented, pursuant to the directions of several of Deeds Acts of Parliament,—Copy of Treasury Order, dated 21st December 1916, under the Registry Act, 1914.

Accounts showing the moneys issued out of Public Offices 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, 1865, to the 31st March 1916; 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 Public Offices Sites, and Public Buildings Expenses, 1915–16, be printed.

Mr. Forster presented, by His Majesty’s Command,—Copy of Correspondence relating to the use of the Ross Rifle by the Canadian Troops in France.

Ordered, That the said Paper do lie upon the Table.

Mr. George Roberts presented, pursuant to the directions of an Act of Parliament, Copy Order, 1916, of Seed Potatoes Order, 1916, dated 14th December 1916, made by the Board of Trade under Regulation 1F of the Defence of the Realm (Consolidation) Regulations, 1914.

Ordered, That the said Paper do lie upon the Table.
Mr. Speaker laid upon the Table,—List of the Bills, Reports, Estimates, and Accounts and Papers printed by Order of the House, and of Papers presented by Command, Session 1916, with a General Alphabetic Index thereto. Thirtieth Parliament, Sixth Session, 6th and 7th George V., 16th February 1916 to 22nd December 1916.

Ordered, That the said Paper be printed.

Message from the Lords.

Mr. Speaker acquainted the House that a Message had been brought from the Lords by one of their Clerks, as followeth:

The Lords have agreed to the War Loan Bill, without any Amendment.

The Lords have agreed to the Government War Obligations Bill, without any Amendment.

The Lords have agreed to the Consolidated Fund (Appropriation) Bill, without any Amendment.

The Lords have agreed to the Amendment made by this House in lieu of an Amendment made by the Lords to the Defence of the Realm (Acquisition of Land) Bill, and do not insist on their Amendments to which this House hath disagreed.

The Lords do not insist on their Amendments to the Ministry of Pensions Bill to which this House hath disagreed.

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 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:

15. Gamble Institute, Gourock, Order Confirmation Act, 1916.

And afterwards His Majesty's Most Gracious King's Speech was delivered to both Houses of Parliament by the Lord High Chancellor, in pursuance of His Majesty's Commands, as followeth:

My Lords, and Gentlemen,

Throughout the months that have elapsed since I last addressed you My Navy and Army, in conjunction with those of our gallant and faithful Allies, have, by their unceasing vigilance and indomitable valour, justified the high trust I placed in them. I am confident that, however long the struggle, their efforts, supported by the inflexible determination of all My subjects throughout the Empire, will finally achieve the victorious consummation of those aims for which I entered into war. My Government has been reconstructed with the sole object of furthering those aims unaltered and unimpaired.

Gentlemen of the House of Commons,

I thank you for the unstinted liberality with which you continue to provide for the burdens of the war.

My Lords, and Gentlemen,

The vigorous prosecution of the war must be our single endeavour until we have vindicated the rights so ruthlessly violated by our enemies and established the security of Europe on a sure foundation.

In this sacred cause I am assured of the united support of all My peoples, and I pray that Almighty God may give us His blessing.

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 Wednesday the seventh day of February, one thousand nine hundred and seventeen, to be then here holden; and this Parliament is accordingly prorogued to Wednesday the seventh day of February, one thousand nine hundred and seventeen.
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