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23rd December 1920.

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.
Message to attend His Majesty.

Writ issued during the Recess.

Imprisonment of Members.

Tuesday, 15th February 1921.

PRAYERS at Twelve of the clock.

A MESSAGE from His Majesty, by Lieutenant-General Sir William Pulteney, K.C.B., K.C.M.G., D.S.O., Gentleman Usher of the Black Rod:

Mr. Speaker,

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

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

Mr. Speaker acquainted the House, That he had issued, during the Recess, a 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 Cardigan, in the room of Matthew Lewis Vaughan-Davies, Esquire, called up to the House of Peers:

Mr. Speaker informed the House that he had received the following letters relating to the arrest and imprisonment of Members:

Mr. Speaker, 11th February 1921.

I have the honour to report that Constance Georgina, Countess Marchievicz, M.P. for St. Patrick's Division, in the County of the City of Dublin, Ireland, was tried by general court-martial at Dublin on the 2nd December 1920 on a charge under Regulation 67 of the R.O.I.R. The accused was found guilty of the charge and sentenced to two years' imprisonment with hard labour.

I have the honour to be,

Your obedient servant,

G. F. Boyd,
Major-General,
Commanding Dublin District.

The Right Honourable
The Speaker,
House of Commons,
London, S.W.1.

Sir,

I have the honour to report that Mr. J. J. Walsh, M.P. for Cork City, who was tried by general court-martial at Dublin, on 28th March 1919, for an offence against Regulation 42 of the Defence of the Realm Regulations and found guilty, and sentenced on such date to five

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15th February.

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

Ordered, That the Commissioners of the Police Metropolitan of the Metropolis do take care that, during the Session of Parliament, the passages through the streets leading to this House be kept free and open, and that no obstruction be permitted to hinder the passage of Members to and from this House, 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 Sergeant-at-Arms attending this House do communicate this Order to the Commissioners aforesaid.

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

Ordered, That a Committee of Privileges be Privileges appointed.

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

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

Ordered, That the said Journal and Index be printed by the appointment and under the direction of Sir Courtenay Peregrine Liberia, C.B., E.C.M., E.C.B., the Clerk of this House.

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

The following Papers, presented by His Majesty's Command during the Recess, were perused by the Commissioners, pursuant to Standing Order No. 95:

Copy of Statement showing the Staffs of Government Departments on 1st December 1920, compiled from Returns furnished to the Treasury.

Copy of Statement relating to the employment of Ex-Servicemen men in Government Offices on 1st July 1919 and 1st November 1920, compiled from Returns furnished to the Treasury.

Copy of Statement relating to the employment of Ex-Servicemen men in Government Offices on 1st July 1919 and 1st December 1920, compiled from Returns furnished to the Treasury.

Copy of Regulations for Competitions government in the New (Re-organisation) Classes in the Home Civil Service, and with regard to the

Copy of Order made by the National Health Insurance Joint Committee, dated 21st December 1920, entitled the National Health Insurance Act, 1920 (Date of Commencement), Amendment Order, 1920.

Copy of Report of the Consultative Council on Local Health Administration on Procedure regarding proposals for the extension of boroughs, &c., with Notes by the Ministry of Health as to certain of the proposals.

Copy of Report by Mr. Chester Jones, one of the Metropolitan Police Magistrates, on the Schisms made by the London County Council under the Employment of Children Act, 1903, and Education Act, 1918, and on the objections thereto.

Copy of First Report of the Royal Commission on Awards to Inventors.

Copy of Minutes of Evidence of the Committee on the Employment of Women on Police Duties.

Copy of Report of the Department of Agriculture and Technical Instruction for Ireland on the Economic Situation of Norway in December 1920, by Mr. G. W. F. Thelwall, Commercial Secretary to His Majesty's Embassy, Berlin, assisted by Mr. C. J. Kavanagh, British Commercial Secretary, Occupied Territories, &c., Cologne.

Copy of Regulations, dated 8th February 1921, for Grants in Aid of Maintenance and of Travelling Expenses of Students attending short courses of Instruction for Teachers, made by the Board of Education under Section 44 of the Education Act, 1918, entitled the Training of Teachers (Short Courses) Regulations, 1921.

Copy of General Report on the Industrial and Economic Situation of Germany in December 1920, by Mr. C. L. Paus, C.B.E., Commercial Secretary to His Majesty's Legation, Christiania.

Copy of Agreement between the British and German Governments respecting Article 297 of the Treaty of Versailles of 28th June 1919 (Property, Rights, and Interests).

Copy of International Sanitary Convention. Signed at Paris, 17th January 1912. (Ratifications deposited at Paris, 7th October 1921.)

Copy of Accession of Greece to the International Copyright Convention signed at Berlin, 18th November 1908. 1st December 1920.

Copy of Report on Political Conditions in Montenegro.

Copy of Further Report on Political Conditions in Montenegro.

Copy of Report of the Special Mission to Egypt.

Copy of Interim Report by the Government Accountant on the valuation of the Assets and Liabilities of Approved Societies as at 31st December 1918, showing the summarised results of the valuations completed up to 24th December 1920.

Copy of the City of Lincoln (Insurance Committee) Order, 1920, dated 22nd December 1920, made by the Minister of Health under the National Health Insurance Act.
6th February, 1921.

Motor Car (Registration and Licensing) Order, 1903, as regards the county borough of Belfast.

Copy of Order, dated 20th January 1921, made under the Motor Car (Registration and Licensing) Order, 1903, as regards the county of Derby, Glamorgan, Leicestershire, Salop, Somerset, Stafford, Warwick, and Worcester.

Copy of Report with Appendices of the Departmental Committee on Railway Agreements.

Copy of Report of the Rates Advisory Committee on the Internment Revision of Railway Rates, Tolls, Fares, and Charges, July and October 1920. Part III. Fares lower than ordinary and services rendered free or at nominal charges.

Copy of the Llantrissant Light Railway Order, 1921, made under the Light Railways Acts.

Copy of Minutes of Evidence taken before the Committee of Inquiry into the Work of the Employment Exchanges.


Copy of Memorandum on the New Telephone Rates.

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

Mr. Baldwin presented, by His Majesty's Command,—Copy of Order made by the Right Honourable the Chancellor of the Duchy and County Palatine of Lancaster, dated 14th December 1920, entitled the Court Fees (Amendment) Order, 1920.

Estimate of a further sum required to be voted for the Civil Services of the year ending 31st March 1921.

Copy of Reports respecting Peterhead Harbour Works for the three years ended 31st March 1919.

Copy of Statement relating to the Employment of Ex-Service men in Government offices on 1st July 1919 and 1st January 1921, compiled from the Return of Military Savings Bank, pursuant to the Securities created in respect thereof, and the expenditure of a capital nature incurred by the Greek Government on account of the same, up to 31st December 1920.

Abstract Account showing the Issues made Consolidated from the Consolidated Fund of the United Kingdom in the financial year ended 31st March 1909, 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; with the Report of the Comptroller and Auditor General thereon.

Account of the Imperial Ottoman Guaranteed Loan of 1855 for the year 1920.

Copy of Tenth Annual Report on the Administration of the Road Improvement Fund.

Account of the gross amount of all moneys National Debt received and paid by the Commissioners for the Reduction of the National Debt on account of the Funds of the Military Savings Bank, pursuant to c. 121, and 6 & 7 Will. 4, c. 94, for interest and sinking fund on that part of the Greek Loan which was guaranteed by this country under the authority of the said Acts, and of the amount repaid by the Greek Government on account of the same, up to 30th December 1920.

Account showing all the sums which have been received into the Treasury Chest, and which have been paid out of the same, between the 1st April 1919 and the 31st March 1920, and of the Liabilities and Assets of the Treasury Chest on the latter day, with the Report of the Comptroller and Auditor General thereon.

Account of the moneys paid out of the Consolidated Fund under the Acts 2 & 3 Will. 4, c. 121, and 6 & 7 Will. 4, c. 94, for interest and sinking fund on that part of the Greek Loan which was guaranteed by this country under the authority of the said Acts, and of the amount repaid by the Greek Government on account of the same, up to 31st December 1920.

Copy of Order, dated 20th January 1921, appointing Captain the honourable Reginald Coke, n.s.o., to be a Special Commissioner of Income Tax.

Accounts of the National Health Insurance National Fund (English, Welsh, Scottish, and Irish) Health Act, 1911, showing the Receipts and Payments account, during the year 1918; with the Report of the No. 12. Comptroller and Auditor General thereon.

Copy of Treasury Minute under the Superannuation (Military) Act, 1914, declaring that Mr. James Walter Nicholson, Second Mate, War Department Fleet, was appointed without a Civil Service Certificate through inadvertence on the part of the Head of his Department.

Copy of Treasury Minute under the Superannuation Act, 1884, 22nd January 1921, 5th Act, 1884, declaring that Mr. William Hamilton, Ballintubbin, War Department Fleet, was appointed without a Civil Service Certificate through inadvertence on the part of the Head of his Department.
Copy of Treasury Minute under the Superannuation Act, 1884, dated 10th February 1921, declaring that Mr. S. Langmaid, Boatawain, War Department Fleet, Mr. E. C. Heard, Second Mate, War Department Fleet, and Mr. A. Cockell, Second Engineer, War Department Fleet, were appointed without a Civil Service Certificate through inadvertence on the part of the Head of their Department.

Copy of Treasury Minute under the Superannuation Act, 1887, dated 19th January 1921, granting a Retired Allowance to Mr. John Ravenshaw, Second Class Clerk, in Chancery Chambers, Royal Courts of Justice.

Copy of Treasury Minute dated 16th December 1920, authorising further advances, amounting to £3,000,000, to the Royal Commission on Sugar Supplies to provide working capital for Sugar Purchases.

Copy of the Manufacture of Sugar Regulations, 1920, dated 8th October 1920, made by the Commissioners of Customs and Excise under Schedule 1, Part 3 (d), of the Finance (No. 2) Act, 1915.

Copy of Regulations made by the Treasury for the purpose of Section 3 (1) of the Roads Act, 1920.

Ordered, That the said Papers do lie upon the Table; and that the said Estimate and the said Papers relative to Public Offices Sites and Public Buildings Expenses Accounts, 1918-20, Public Offices Site (Dublin) Act, 1903, Civil Services and Revenue Departments (Appropriation Accounts), Housing Act, 1914, Treasury Chest, Groak Loan, Consolidated Fund, Woods, Forests, and Land Revenues, Road Improvement Fund, National Debt (Military Savings Banks) and National Health Insurance Fund Accounts be printed.

Mr. Fisher presented, by His Majesty's Command,—Copy of Draft, dated 14th February 1921, of Regulations proposed to be made by the Board of Education under Section 44 of the Education Act, 1918, with regard to the Payments to Local Education Authorities of Substantive Grant in respect of Elementary Education for 1921-22, entitled the Elementary Education (Substantive Grant) Regulations, 1921.

Copy of Statistics relating to the Receipts and Expenditure of Local Education Authorities on Higher Education in England and Wales during 1918-19.

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

Dr. Addison also presented, pursuant to the Midwives Act, 1912, by the under-mentioned Local Authorities 1912, and confirmed by the Secretary of State for the Home Department:

County Borough of Southend-on-Sea.
Urban District of Stretford.
Borough of Llanelli.
City of Bristol.
Urban District of Bexley.
Borough of Walsend.
Borough of Colchester.
Borough of South Shields.
City of Nottingham.
Borough of Accrington.
Borough of Burnley.
Borough of East Ham.
Urban District of Willesden (two).
Urban District of Clayton-le-Moors.
City of Cardiff (two).
Urban District of Rugby.
City of Liverpool (two).
City of Chester.

Ordered, That the said Papers do lie upon the Table.
Mr. Secretary Montagu presented, pursuant to the directions of an Act of Parliament,—Copy of Regulations for Examinations for the Civil Service of India.

Mr. Secretary Montagu presented, pursuant to the directions of an Act of Parliament,—Copy of Regulations for Examinations for the Civil Service of India.

Copy of Provisional Rules for the appointment and reappointment to the Indian Civil Service, otherwise than by open competition, made under the Indian Civil Service (Temporary Provisions) Act 1915.

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

Mr. Secretary Churchill presented, by His Majesty's Command, Copy of Proceedings of the Conference, 1920 (with Appendices).

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

Mr. Secretary Churchill presented, by His Majesty's Command,—Copy of First Annual Report of the Colonial Research Committee for the period ended 31st December 1920.

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

Dr. Macnamara presented, pursuant to the directions of several Acts of Parliament,—Copy of Regulations, dated 3rd February 1921, made by the Minister of Labour under the Trade Boards Act, 1909, with respect to the Constitution and Proceedings of the Trade Board for the Ostrich and Fancy Feather and Artificial Flower Trade (Great Britain).

Copy of Regulations, dated 1st December 1920, made by the Minister of Labour under the Trade Boards Acts, 1909, with respect to the Constitution and Proceedings of the Trade Board for the Boot and Shoe Repairing Trade (Great Britain).

Copy of Regulations, dated 31st December 1920, made by the Minister of Labour under the Unemployment Insurance Act, 1920, entitled the Unemployment Insurance (Associations) (Supplementary) Regulations, 1920.

Copy of Regulations, dated 8th January 1921, made by the Minister of Labour under the Unemployment Insurance Act, 1920, entitled the Unemployment Insurance (Payment of Travelling Expenses) Regulations, 1921.

Copy of Order, dated 10th January 1921, made by the Minister of Labour under the Unemployment Insurance Act, 1920, entitled the Unemployment Insurance (Employment under Local and Public Authorities) (Exclusion) Order, 1921.

Copy of Order, dated 29th January 1921, made by the Minister of Labour under the Unemployment Insurance Act, 1920, entitled the Unemployment Insurance (Mercantile Marine) Order, 1921.

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

Lord Edmund Talbot presented, pursuant to the directions of several Acts of Parliament,—Copy of the Cultivation of Lands Order, 1921, dated 30th December 1920, made under the Agriculture Act, 1920.

Copy of the Cultivation of Lands (Temporary Provisions) Order, 1920, dated 30th December 1920, made by the Minister of Agriculture and Fisheries under the Defence of the Realm (Acquisition of Land) Act, 1916, the Corn Production Act, 1917, the Land Settlement (Facilities) Act, 1918, and the Agriculture Act, 1920.

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

Mr. Macpherson presented, pursuant to the War Pensions directions of an Act of Parliament,—Copy of Provisional Regulations under the War Pensions Acts, dated 1st February 1921, made by the Minister of Pensions with the approval of the Treasury, entitled the War Pensions Committees (Expenditure of Members) Regulations, 1921.

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

Sir Robert Horne presented, pursuant to the directions of several Acts of Parliament,—Copy of Reports on applications by the—

Bishop's Stortford, Harlow, and Epping Gas and Electricity Company;

Braithwaite and Bookin Gas Company;

Felixstowe Gas Light Company;

Hemel Hempstead District Gas Company;

North Middlesex Gas Company;

Pinners Gas Company;

Redhill Gas Company;

Romford Gas and Coke Company;

St. Albans Waterworks Company;

Sheringham Gas and Water Company;

Shrewbury Gas Light Company;

Southgate and District Gas Company;

Stratford Gas Company;

Waltham Abbey and Cheshunt Gas and Coke Company;

Weston-under-Mare Gas Light Company;

Chester Waterworks Company;

Cardiff Gas Light and Coke Company;

Brighton and Hove General Gas Company;

Cleethorpes Gas Company;

Frinton and Farnborough District Water Company;

Garw and Ogmore Gas Company;

Ilfracombe Gas Company;

Liverpool Gas Company;

Ormskirk and District Gas and Electricity Company;

Southend Waterworks Company;

Winchester Water and Gas Company;

Worthing Gas Light and Coke Company;

Felixstowe and Walton Waterworks Company;

City of Waterford Gas Company;

Maidenhead Waterworks Company; to the Board of Trade under the Public Utility Companies (Capital Issues) Act, 1920.

Copy of Report by the Board of Trade under merchant the Merchant Shipping Acts of the cases in Shipping Acts, which they have exercised their Powers under Section 78 of the Merchant Shipping Act, 1906, during the year 1920.

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

Mr. Illingworth presented, pursuant to the directions of several Acts of Parliament,—Copy of the Postal Order (Foreign and Colonial) Amendment (No. 3) Regulations, 1920, dated 25th October 1920.
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Post Office (Foreign and Colonial Parcel Post.)

Post Office (Foreign and Colonial Parcel Post.)
Copy of the Foreign and Colonial Parcel Post (Cash-on-Delivery) Amendment (No. 6) Warrant, 1921, dated 15th January 1921.

Post Office (Island Post.)
Copy of the District Messenger Company Amendment (No. 1) Warrant, 1921, dated 24th January 1921.

Account showing the Money issued out of the Consolidated Fund; the Money borrowed and the Securities created in respect thereof; and the Expenditure under the Post Office (London) Railway Act, 1913, for the period ended 31st March 1920.

Ordered, That the said Papers do lie upon the Table; and that the Paper relative to Post Office (London) Railway Act, 1915 (Account, 1919–20) be printed.

Education (Scotland.)
The Lord Advocate presented, by His Majesty’s Command,—Copy of Minute of the Committee of Council on Education in Scotland, dated 5th February 1921, providing for Grants in Aid of Educational Expenditure approved by the Department under the Education (Scotland) Act, 1908.

Reformatory and Industrial Schools (Scotland.)
Copy of Regulations as to Reformatory and Industrial Schools in Scotland.

Universities (Scotland.)
Copy of University Court Ordinance, No. 92 (Edinburgh, No. 34) (Institution of Bachelor of Science in Mining and Metallurgy and Doctor of Science in Mining and Metallurgy and related Regulations), No. 93 (Glasgow, No. 25) (Regulations for Degrees in Pure Science), No. 94 (St. Andrews, No. 14) (Lectureship or Lectureship in Forensic Medicine and Public Health), No. 95 (St. Andrews, No. 15) (Regulations for Degrees in Pure Science), No. 96 (St. Andrews, No. 19) (Foundation of Chair of Bacteriology), No. 97 (Aberdeen, No. 11) (Regulations for certain Degrees in Pure Science) made under the Universities (Scotland) Act, 1889.

University of Glasgow.
Copy of Annual Report on the State of the Finances of the University of Glasgow for 1918–19.

University of Glasgow.
Copy of Abstract of Accounts for the University of Glasgow for the year ended 30th September 1919.

Sea Disqualification (Removal) Act, 1918, and Jurors (Enrolment of Women) (Scotland) Act, 1920.

Copy of Order, dated 24th December 1920, made by the Board of Agriculture for Scotland under the Destructive Insects and Pests Acts, certifying the city of Glasgow an infected area for the purposes of the Wart Disease of Potatoes (Scotland) Order, 1918.

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

Sir Eric Geddes presented, by His Majesty’s Command,—Copy of Returns of the Capital, Traffic, Receipts and Working Expenditure of the Railway Companies of the United Kingdom for 1919.

Railway Returns.

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 Scheme under the Union of Benefices Act for effecting an union of the Benefices of Lower Hardres and Nackington, in the county of Kent.

Copy of Scheme under the Union of Benefices Act for effecting an union of the Benefices of St. Paul, Norwich, and St. Saviour, Norwich.

Copy of Schedule containing a List and Particulars of certain classes of Documents existing in the Board of Green Cloth or transferred thence to the Public Record Office which are not considered of sufficient public value to justify their preservation in the Public Record Office.

Accounts of Receipts and Payments by the Local Loans Commissioners for the Reduction of the National Debt in respect of the Captains and Income of the Local Loans Fund for the year ended 31st March 1920, with the Report of the Comptroller and Auditor General thereon.

Ordered, That the Papers relative to Local Loans Fund and National Health Insurance Funds, be printed.

Mr. Speaker reported His Majesty’s Speech, Mr. Speaker reads it to the House, as follows:

"My Lords and Members of the House of Commons,

My relations with Foreign Powers continue to be of a friendly nature. Conferences will be held at an early date in London, which will be attended by Our Allies in the late war and also by representatives of Germany and Turkey. I earnestly trust that by this means further progress will be made in giving effect to the Treaties of Peace, in re-establishing concord in Europe, and in restoring tranquillity in the Near East. It is My hope that the negotiations for a trade agreement with Russia will also be brought to a successful conclusion.

The Duke of Connaught has inaugurated the new Councils in India, and I pray that the assumption by My subjects in India of new political responsibilities may secure progress in administration and an early appeasement of political strife.

The policy of My Government in regard to Egypt, following upon the investigations of the Special Mission appointed in 1919, will be laid before you. I am glad to say that arrangements have been made to renew that personal consultation between My Ministers here and their colleagues overseas, which produced such good results during the last two years of the war and during the Peace settlement. I hope that the Prime Ministers of Canada, Australia, New Zealand, the Union of South Africa, and Newfoundland, as well as representatives of India, will be able to visit
this Country during the coming summer. I am confident that the discussions to take place during their visits will be of the utmost value in bringing about co-ordination both in the external and internal policy of the Empire.

Members of the House of Commons,

The Estimates for the Services in the coming year will be laid before you in due course, and these Estimates will reflect the determination of the Government to reduce expenditure to the lowest level consistent with the well-being of the Empire. The war has left upon the nation liabilities which can only be met by heavy taxation, but it is imperative in the interest of an early revival of trade and industry that this burden should be reduced to the utmost.

My Lords and Members of the House of Commons,

The situation in Ireland still causes Me distress. A misguided section of the Irish people persist in resorting to methods of criminal violence with the object of establishing an independent republic. Neither Irish unity nor Irish self-government can be attained by this means. The arrangements for bringing into force the Government of Ireland Act are now well advanced, and I earnestly trust that in the near future the majority of the people will show that determination to repudiate violence and to work an Act which confers upon them the responsibilities of self-government and provides the machinery whereby they can attain to Irish unity by constitutional means.

In view of the onerous programme of legislation which was set before you during last year, it is the intention of My Ministers to lighten as far as possible the business of the coming Session. The most pressing problem which confronts you is that of unemployment, consequent upon a world-wide restriction of trade, and this may be alleviated, but cannot be cured, by legislative means. This problem, with its acute and distressing consequences for hundreds of thousands of our fellow citizens, is receiving the constant and anxious attention of My Ministers with the object both of reviving trade and prosperity and in the meantime of assisting those who are unfortunately unemployed. You will be invited to pass a Bill extending the provision which is now made for facilitating Church union in Scotland.

A Bill will also be presented dealing with the sale of alcoholic liquor in the light of the experience gained during the war.

My Ministers further trust that the work of the Committee now examining the question of the Reform of the Second Chamber will be finished in time to permit of proposals being submitted to Parliament during the course of the present Session.

And I pray the blessing of Almighty God rest upon your deliberations.

A Motion was made, and the Question being King's Speech 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. Davidson;)

An Amendment was proposed to be made to the Question, by adding at the end thereof the words,—

"But humbly regret that His Majesty's Co-ordination Gracious Speech contains no reference to the very urgent need for co-ordinating the problems and tasks of the Navy, Army, and Air Forces, for purposes of defence of the British Empire as a whole, and for the establishment of machinery to give effect thereto."—(Major-General Sir John Davidson.)

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—(Lord Edmund Talbot):—It was resolved in the Affirmative.

Ordered, That the Debate be resumed to-morrow.

Resolved, That this House do now adjourn.—Adjournment. (Lord Edmund Talbot.)

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

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Wednesday, 16th February 1921.

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

PRAYERS.

T HE Chairman of Ways and Means reported, Private Bills. 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
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.:—

Eastbourne Waterworks.

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

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

Durham County Transport.

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

Ordered, That Mr. Speaker do issue his Woolwich 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 Woolwich (East Division), in the room of the Right Honourable William Crooks, who, since his Election for the said Borough, hath accepted the Office of Steward or Bailiff of His Majesty's Three Chiltern Hundreds of Stoke, Desborough, and Burnham, in the County of Buckingham.—(Mr. Arthur Henderson.)

Ordered, That Mr. Speaker do issue his York County Warrant to the Clerk of the Crown, to make out a new Writ for the electing of a Member to serve in this present Parliament for the County.
of York, West Riding (Penistone Division), in the room of Sydney Arnold, Esquire, who, since his election for the said County, hath accepted the Office of Steward or Bailiff of His Majesty's Three Chancels on Hundreds of Stoke, Desborough, and Burnham, in the County of Buckingham.—

(Mr. George Thorne.)

Ordered, That the Paper relative to Universities (Scotland) Act, 1889 (Ordinance), which was presented upon the 16th day of this instant February, be printed.

Mr. Baldwin presented, by His Majesty's Command,—Estimate of a further Sum to be voted for the Civil Services and Revenue Departments for the year ending 31st March 1921.

Copy of Report of the University Grants Committee, 3rd February 1921.

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


Copy of Two Orders in Council under the Copyright Act, 1911, dated 21st December 1920, giving effect to the admission of (1) Austria and (2) Greece to the Berne Copyright Convention, 1908.

Copy of Four Orders in Council under the Naval and Marine Pay and Pensions Act, 1865, dated 21st December 1920.

Copy of Order in Council under the Representation of the People Acts, 1918 to 1920, dated 21st December 1920, further amending the Representation of the People Order, 1918.

Copy of Order in Council under the Government of India Act, 1915, dated 21st December 1920, approving a Statement of proposed New and Revised Appointments and alterations of Salaries in the establishment of the Secretary of State for India in Council.

Copy of Order in Council under the Dockyard Ports Regulation Act, 1865, dated 21st December 1920, relating to the Dockyard Port of Portsmouth.

Copy of Statute made under the Universities of Oxford and Cambridge Act, 1877, by the University of Cambridge on 30th October 1920, and sealed on the same day, amending Statute A. Chapter III., of the existing Statutes of the University.

Copy of Statute made under the Universities of Oxford and Cambridge Act, 1877, by the Governing Body of Wadham College, Oxford, on 10th June 1920, amending Statute XII. of the existing Statutes of the College.

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

Mr. Pratt presented, pursuant to the directions of an Act of Parliament,—Copy of the National Health Insurance (Termination of Sanatorium Benefit) Regulations (Scotland), 1920, dated 16th November 1920, made by the Scottish Board of Health.

Ordered, That the said Paper do lie upon the Table.
Sir Eric Geddes presented, by His Majesty's Command,—Copy of Order under the Motor Car Acts, dated 4th February 1921, amending the Motor Car (Registration and Licensing) Order, 1903, as regards the county borough of Leeds.

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 Order made by the First Commissioner for the custody of the Great Seal, dated 1st January 1921, under Section 45 of the County Courts Act, 1888, directing that Henry Woodsworth Clemesha, Registrar of the County Courts of Lancashire, held at Blackburn and Preston and Chorley, shall not practise as a Solicitor.

Ordered, That there be laid before this House a Copy of Report of the Director of the National Gallery and the National Gallery of British Art for the year 1920, with a Supplement.—(Mr. Baldwin.)

Ordered, That there be laid before this House a Copy of Accounts relating to the Trade and Navigation of the United Kingdom for each month during the year 1921.—(Sir Robert Horne.)

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Ordered, That there be laid before this House a Copy of Account of the Receipts and Payments of the Accountant-General of the Civil Contingencies Fund, 1919-20, showing (1) the Receipts and Payments in connection with the Fund in the year ended the 31st day of March 1920; (2) the Distribution of the Capital of the Fund at the commencement and close of the year; together with Copy of the Correspondence with the Comptroller and Auditor General thereon.—(Mr. Baldwin.)

Supreme Court of Judicature (Ireland.)

Ordered, That there be laid before this House a Copy of Accounts of the Civil Contingencies Fund, 1919-20, showing (1) the Receipts and Payments in connection with the Fund in the year ended the 31st day of March 1920; (2) the Distribution of the Capital of the Fund at the commencement and close of the year; together with Copy of the Correspondence with the Comptroller and Auditor General thereon.—(Mr. Baldwin.)

Trade and Navigation.

Ordered, That there be laid before this House a Copy of Accounts relating to Trade and Navigation of the United Kingdom for each month during the year 1921.—(Sir Robert Horne.)

Foreign Trade and Commerce.

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 during the year 1921.—(Sir Robert Horne.)

New Member sworn.

Sir Thomas Andrew Polson, K.B.E., C.M.G., T.D., Member for the County of Kent (Dover Division), was sworn.

Impeachment of a Member.

Mr. Speaker informed the House that he had received the following letter relating to the arrest and imprisonment of a Member:

The Right Honourable
The Speaker.

Sir, 16th February 1921.

I have the honour to report that on the 14th day of February 1921 Mr. James Crowley, M.P., for North Kerry, was arrested under a direction issued by me as Competent Military Authority, under the Defence of the Realm Regulations, and was committed to His Majesty's prison, Dublin Castle.

I have the honour to be,
Sir,
Your obedient servant,
G. F. Born,
Competent Military Authority.

Ordered, That no Bills, other than Government Bills, be introduced in anticipation of the ballot, and that all Members who desire to ballot, whether for Bills or for Motions, for Tuesday 22nd February, and Tuesday 1st March, and Wednesday 23rd February, and Wednesday 2nd March, do hand in their names at the Table during the Sitting of the House on Tuesday 16th February, or Wednesday 16th February, and that a copy of the Notice of such Bill or Motion be handed in at the latest during the sitting of the House on Monday 17th February; that the ballot for the precedence of the said Bills and Motions be taken on Thursday 17th February, at a convenient time and place to be appointed by Mr. Speaker; and that the presentation of Bills on Friday, 18th February, be taken as soon after Twelve of the clock as Mr. Speaker may deem convenient.—(Mr. Bonar Law.)

The Order of the day being read, for resuming King's Speech the adjourned Debate on the Question proposed (Motion for an Address) was resumed. We were interrupted during the course of the speech by the following words:—

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 Unemployed.

"But regret that, in view of the serious distress consequent upon unemployment and the lack of preparedness on the part of the Government to deal with the situation, there is no mention of legislation recognising the right of the genuine unemployed to work or adequate maintenance."

And the Question being proposed, That those words be there added:—And a Debate arising thereupon; And a Motion being made, and the Question being put, That the Debate be now adjourned,—(Sir Donald Maclean):—It was resolved in the Affirmative.

Ordered, That the Debate be resumed to-morrow.

Resolved, That this House do now adjourn. Adjournment.—(Lord Edmund Talfourd.)

And accordingly the House, having continued to sit till three minutes after Eleven of the clock adjourned till to-morrow.
Ordered, That Mr. Speaker do issue his Dudley 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 Dudley, in the room of the Right Honourable Sir Arthur Griffith-Boscawen, who since his election for the said Borough hath accepted the Office of Minister of Agriculture. — (Lord Edmund Talbot.)

Ordered, That Mr. Speaker do issue his Kirkcaldy 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 Kirkcaldy District of Burghs, in the room of the Right Honourable Sir James Henry Dalziel, Baronet, who since his election for the said District of Burghs hath accepted the Office of Steward or Bailiff of His Majesty's Manor of Northstead, in the County of York. — (Captain Guest.)

Mr. Speaker informed the House that he had received the following communication from the President of the State Assembly of Esthonia:

Reval, 15th February 1921.

The Supreme Council in Paris having agreed to the de jure recognition of Esthonia, it is the pleasing duty of the first Estonian Parliament to salute the House of Commons of Great Britain and to express its gratitude to the British Nation for the aid and encouragement given to Esthonia in her struggle for independence.

STANDMAN,
President of the State Assembly of Esthonia.

The Order of the day being read, for resuming King's Speech the adjourned Debate on the Amendment which, (Motion for an Address) upon the 16th day of this instant February, was proposed to be made to 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.

Which Amendment was, at the end of the Unemployed Question to add the words "but regret that, in view of the serious distress consequent upon unemployment and the lack of preparedness on the part of the Government to deal with the situation, there is no mention of legislation recognising the right of the genuine unemployed to work or adequate maintenance."

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

And the Question being put: —

The House divided.

The Yeas:

Mr. Arthur Henderson, 262.

Mr. Thomas Shaw, 84.

Mr. Captain Guest, 262.

So it passed in the Negative.

And the Main Question being again proposed:

—And a Debate arising thereupon:
In pursuance of Standing Order No. 1 (Sittings of the House) I hereby nominate—

The Right Honourable Sir Alfred Atkinson, Speaker.

The Right Honourable Sir William Bowerman,

The Right Honourable Sir Charles Wilson, Speaker.

Mr. Thomas Power O'Connor, and

Mr. John Frederick Peel Rawlinson,
to act during this Session as temporary Chairman of Committees when requested by the Chairman of Ways and Means.

JAMES W. LOUTHER,
Speaker.

17th February 1921.

[No. 4.]

Friday, 18th February 1921.

The House met at Twelve of the clock.

PRAYERS.

Batley Corporation Bill.

A BILL to empower the Mayor, Aldermen, and Burgesses of the Borough of Batley to construct additional waterworks; to make further provision in regard to their water, gas, and electricity undertakings; to make further provision for the improvement, health, and good government of the borough; to confer further financial powers upon the company; and for other purposes, was presented, and read the first time; and ordered to be read a second time.

Bradford Canal (Abandonment) Bill.

A Bill to authorise the Leeds and Liverpool Canal Company and the Undertakers of the Aire and Calder Navigation to abandon the Bradford Canal, and to sell or dispose of the site thereof and of the property connected therewith, and for other purposes, was presented, and read the first time; and ordered to be read a second time.

British Dye Stuffs Corporation Bill.

A Bill to transfer to and vest in British Dye Stuffs Corporation, Limited, certain railways and works in the City of Manchester, and for other purposes, was presented, and read the first time; and ordered to be read a second time.

Burnley Corporation Bill.

A Bill to authorise the Corporation of Burnley to construct a street improvement and additional waterworks and to provide and work omnibuses; to extend the time for the construction of certain waterworks authorised by the Burnley Corporation Act, 1908; to empower the Corporation to purchase and develop lands referred to in the will of the late James Witham Thompson and to modify the provisions of that will; to make further provision with regard to the tramways, water, and markets undertakings of the corporation and 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 confer further powers on the Cambridge University and Town Waterworks Company, and for other purposes, was presented, and read the first time; and ordered to Bill, be read a second time.

A Bill to empower the Cardiff Gas Light, and Coke Company to sell gas on a heat unit basis; to make new provisions as to charges for gas and the application of the profits of the company; to confer further financial powers upon the company; to extend the limits of supply, and for other purposes, was presented, and read the first time; and ordered to be read a second time.

A Bill to enable the Corporation of Colne to run omnibuses and to make further provision for the improvement, health, and good government of the borough, was presented, and read the first time; and ordered to be read a second time.

A Bill to make provision for the transfer of the undertaking of the North Warwickshire Water Company to the Mayor, Aldermen, and Citizens of the City of Coventry; to establish a fund for granting superannuation allowances to officers and servants of the corporation, and for other purposes, was presented, and read the first time; and ordered to be read a second time.

A Bill to empower the Mayor, Aldermen, and Burgesses of the County Borough of Croydon to construct additional waterworks and to purchase a well and pumping station situated within the borough from the Metropolitan Water Board; to confer further powers upon them in regard to their water undertaking, and for other purposes, was presented, and read the first time; and ordered to be read a second time.

A Bill to confer further powers on the East Surrey Water Company, was presented, and read the first time; and ordered to be read a second time.

A Bill to amend the provisions relating to the method of charge by the Harrogate Gas Company for gas supplied by them and to the dividends on their ordinary capital; to consolidate the ordinary capital of the company; to authorise the 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 area of supply of the Herts and Essex Waterworks Company, Limited, and for other purposes, was presented, and read the first time; and ordered to be read a second time.

A Bill to constitute the Lancashire County Council the drainage authority for the County of Lancashire, was presented, and read the first time; and ordered to be read a second time.
A Bill to increase the tolls and charges to be demanded by the Lee Conservancy Board and for other purposes, was presented, and read the first time; and ordered to be read a second time.

A Bill to empower the Mayor, Aldermen, and Citizens of the City of Leicester to execute street improvements and construct and work new tramways and to extend their powers of providing and using omnibuses; to confer further powers with reference to their gas, water, and markets undertakings, and for other purposes, was presented, and read the first time; and ordered to be read a second time.

A Bill to increase the tolls and charges leviable by the Limerick Market Trustees, and for other purposes, was presented, and read the first time; and ordered to be read a second time.

A Bill to empower the London County Council to acquire lands; to make provision with regard to celluloid in warehouses and wholesale shops; to confer further powers with reference to coroners, coroners' inquests, employment agencies, and lying-in homes, and for other purposes, was presented, and read the first time; and ordered to be read a second time.

A Bill to amend the powers of the Metropolitan Water Board of charging for water supplied by them, and for other purposes, was presented, and read the first time; and ordered to be read a second time.

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

A Bill to extend the time for the construction of new roads and works authorised by the Middlesex County Council (Great West Road and Finance) Act, 1914, and the acquisition of lands therefor; to confer further powers upon the Middlesex County Council in relation to the prevention of the pollution and obstruction of streams in the county of Middlesex; to authorise the council to establish superannuation and fire insurance funds and to regulate lying-in homes, and for other purposes, was presented, and read the first time; and ordered to be read a second time.

A Bill to confer further powers upon the North Staffordshire Railway Company, was presented, and read the first time; and ordered to be read a second time.

A Bill to confirm an agreement between the Corporation of Nuneaton and the Corporation of Rugby to increase the supply of water in bulk; to empower the Corporation of Nuneaton to construct additional waterworks and to provide and work omnibuses; to consolidate the rates of the borough; and to confer further powers upon the corporation with reference to the health, local government, and improvement of the borough, and for other purposes, was presented, and read the first time; and ordered to be read a second time.

A Bill to increase the rates for the supply of water by the Borough of Portsmouth Waterworks Company, and for other purposes, was presented, and read the first time; and ordered to be read a second time.

A Bill to constitute and incorporate a joint board consisting of representatives of the urban district councils of Radcliffe, Prestwick, Whitefield, and Little Lever, and to transfer to and vest in such Board the undertaking of the Radcliffe and Pilkington Gas 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, and Burgesses of the County Borough of Rotherham to construct additional waterworks; to confer further powers upon the said Mayor, Aldermen and Burgesses; to make further provision with regard to the health, local government, and improvement of the borough; to authorise, the formation of a superannuation fund; to provide for the consolidation of rates levied in the said borough, and for other purposes, was presented, and read the first time; and ordered to be read a second time.

A Bill for empowering the Mayor, Aldermen, Southampton and Burgesses of the Borough of Southampton to acquire the undertaking of the South Hants Waterworks Company for equalling the rating of the said borough, and for other purposes, was presented, and read the first time; and ordered to be read a second time.

A Bill for authorising the Sunderland and South Shields Water Company to construct new and additional waterworks and to raise additional capital; for increasing the charges of the company and extending their limits of supply, and for other purposes, was presented, and read the first time; and ordered to be read a second time.

A Bill to authorise the Sutton District Water Company to construct additional waterworks, was presented, and read the first time; and ordered to be read a second time.

A Bill to empower the Swansea Gas Light and Water Company to sell gas on a heat unit basis; to make new provisions as to charges for gas and the application of the profits of the company; for increasing the charges of the company and for other purposes, was presented, and read the first time; and ordered to be read a second time.
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A Bill to amend the enforcements relating to the payments to be made to the Conservators of the River Thames for the taking of water by the Metropolitan Water Board and by certain water companies; to revise the tolls and charges levied by the Conservators in respect of merchandise conveyed on and vessels using the said river, and for other purposes, was presented, and read the first time; and ordered to be read a second time.

A Bill to incorporate the Thames Deep-Water Wharf and Railway Company, and to empower that company to construct a wharf and railways and other works in the county of Essex, 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 Westgate and Birchington Water 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, and Burgesses of the Borough of Wigan to construct tramways and a public abattoir; to provide and acquire lands for street improvements; to make further provision in regard to the gas, water, electricity, markets, baths, and other undertakings of the corporation and the health, local government, and improvement of the borough; to confer powers upon the corporation in regard to the industrial development of the borough, the provision of housing accommodation, and the prevention of flooding; to consolidate the rates of the borough and to empower the corporation to establish a municipal bank, and for other purposes, was presented, and read the first time; and ordered to be read a second time.

A Bill for extending the limits of supply of the Wrexham and East Denbighshire Water Company; for authorising the company to construct new works and to raise further capital; for increasing the charges of the company, and for other purposes, was presented, and read the first time; and ordered to be read a second time.

Mr. Balfour, presented, by His Majesty's Command,—Estimate of a further sum required to be voted for the Civil Services for the year ending 31st March 1921.

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

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

Copy of all Applications made by the First Lord of the Treasury and the Chancellor of the Exchequer to the Governor and Deputy Governor of the Bank of England for Advances to Government authorised by Parliament, from 6th January 1920 to 5th January 1921.

Return to the Lord Chancellor of the number of visits made, and the number of patients detained, under the Lunacy Acts, 1890 to 1911, seen by the several Commissioners during the six months ended 31st December 1920.


Ordered, That the Papers relative to Bank of England and Irish Land Purchase Fund be printed.

Resolved, That this House, at its rising this Adjournment, do adjourn till Monday next.—(Commander Eyres-Monsell.)

Sir Thomas Bramston, supported by Sir William Ryland Atkins, Lord Robert Cecil, and Sir Donald Maclean, Major Morrison-Bell, Mr. T. P. O'Connor, Sir Frederick Banbury, Captain Coote, Mr. Lowe-Fox, Mr. Ormby-Gore, Colonel Weston, and Mr. Anstruther Williams, presented a Bill to make provision for the proportional representation of the electors of the House of Commons, and for other purposes connected therewith: And the same was ordered to be read a second time upon Friday the 8th day of April next; and to be printed.

Mr. Lane-Fox, supported by Mr. Ascland, Mr. Courtry, Major David Davies, Captain Bill. Bill 1.

Pitt-Royd, Lieutenant-Colonel Royd, Sir Robert Thomas, Mr. Rogers, Major Howard, and Mr. Edward Wood, presented a Bill to provide for the greater uniformity in the weights and measures used in the sale of corn and other crops, to amend the Corn Returns Act, 1892, and for purposes connected therewith: And the same was ordered to be read a second time upon Friday the 15th day of April next; and to be printed.

Col. Gretton, supported by Rear-Admiral Licensing Bill. Bill 2.

Sir Reginald Hall, Mr. Grotnt, Lieutenant-Colonel Mrs. Bettrerton, Sir J. D. Bee, and Mr. George Terrell, presented a Bill to amend the Trade Union Act, 1871, and for purposes connected therewith: And the same was ordered to be read a second time upon Friday the 22nd day of April next; and to be printed.

Mr. Wilson-Fox, supported by Mr. Bigland, Trade Union Mr. Bettrerton, Sir Frederick Banbury, Captain Act (1913) Mr. Neville Stanton, Mr. Lola-Fox, Mr. Charles Bill. Bill 3.

Hanson, Colonel Roaddell, Lieutenant-Colonel Jackson, Brigadier-General Cockkerell, Mr. Renwick, Sir J. D. Bee, and Mr. Terrell, presented a Bill to amend the Trade Union Act, 1913: And the same was ordered to be read a second time upon Friday the 29th day of April next; and to be printed.

Col. Greig, supported by Viscountess Guardianship, Mr. Bettrerton, Sir Frederick Banbury, Captain Astor, Sir James Agg-Gordon, Mr. James Act, No. 24. Bill 4.

Brown, Dr. Murray, Sir Martin Cowasag, Major Bill 5.

Hills, and Captain Lonsley, presented a Bill to amend the Law relating to the guardianship, maintenance, and custody of Infants: And the same was ordered to be read a second time upon Friday the 6th day of May next; and to be printed.

Mr. Pretomy, supported by Brigadier-Tage Mr. Bettrerton, Mr. Lowe-Fox, and Mr. Courtry, presented a Bill to provide for the apportionment of annuities created by the redemption of tithe rentcharge: And the same was ordered to be read a second time upon Friday the 15th day of April next; and to be printed.
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Mr. Galbraith, supported by Viscountess Astor, Sir John Butcher, Sir James Brown, Mr. Cairns, Mr. Joseph Green, Sir Charles Oman, Colonel Parry, Mr. Waterfield, Colonel Yate, and Mr. Trenchard, presented a Bill to prohibit the importation of the plumage of birds and the sale or possession of plumage illegally imported: And the same was ordered to be read a second time upon Friday the 6th day of May next; and to be printed.

Mr. Howard Gritten, supported by Mr. George Terrell, Sir Ernest Wild, and Mr. Inskipp, presented a Bill to amend the Sex Disqualification (Removal) Act, 1919: And the same was ordered to be read a second time upon Friday the 8th day of April next; and to be printed.

Mr. Walter Smith, supported by Mr. Clynes, Mr. Grundy, Mr. Adamson, Mr. Arthur Henderson, Mr. Spoor, Mr. Thomas Shaw, and Mr. Tynan Wilson, presented a Bill to amend the Representation of the People Act, 1918: And the same was ordered to be read a second time upon Friday the 22nd day of April next; and to be printed.

Lieutenant-Colonel Royds, supported by Mr. Pretzman, Sir Reginald Blair, Colonel Fitzroy, Mr. Wilson-Fox, Colonel Gretnon, Mr. George Terrell, and Captain Brown, presented a Bill to prevent increase in local rates: And the same was ordered to be read a second time upon Friday the 29th day of April next; and to be printed.

Mr. Steam, supported by Mr. Tynan Wilson, Mr. Adamson, Mr. Clynes, Mr. Frederick Hall, and Mr. Griffiths, presented a Bill to provide for the payment of certain expenses and the making of certain allowances in connection with local authorities and other public bodies and with committees of such authorities or bodies, and for other purposes connected therewith: And the same was ordered to be read a second time upon Friday the 6th day of May next; and to be printed.

Captain Bowyer, supported by Captain Brown, presented a Bill to amend the Bastardy Laws and to make further and better provision with respect to bastard children, and for other purposes connected therewith: And the same was ordered to be read a second time upon Friday the 29th day of April next; and to be printed.

Mr. Matthews, supported by Mr. Hinds, Sir Robert Thomas, and Major John Edwards, presented a Bill to provide for the appointment of a Secretary for Wales: And the same was ordered to be read a second time upon Friday the 22nd day of April next; and to be printed.

Brigadier-General Cockbain, supported by Captain Brown and Brigadier-General Colin, presented a Bill to reduce unemployment by suspending during a limited period the obligation to pay the statutory minimum rate of wages, provided a reasonable living wage be paid: And the same was ordered to be read a second time upon Friday the 18th day of March next; and to be printed.

Captain Tudor-Rees, supported by Mr. Buttolphus, Major Breese, Major John Edwards, Lieutenant-Colonel Parry, Mr. Huyton Jones, and Mr. Meyers, presented a Bill to make pro-
Another Amendment was proposed to be made to the Question, by adding at the end thereof the words "But humbly express our regret that, having regard to the long period which has elapsed since the signing of the armistice, and to the fact that the Country as a whole has so far had no opportunity of expressing its opinion as to the provisions of the various Peace Treaties which have been signed with your late enemies, and of the policy of your Ministers in regard to indemnities, and reparations, and the trial of war criminals, Your Majesty has not announced your intention of dissolving the present Parliament at an early date."—(Mr. Bottomley.)

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

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

And the Question being put, That the Question be now put:—It was resolved in the Affirmative.

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

The House divided.

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

Tellers for the Yeas, Mr. Bottomley, Colonel Claudes:

Tellers for the Noes, Lord Edmund Talbot, Mr. Dudley Ward:

So it passed in the Negative.

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 the absence from the Gracious Speech of any announcement that the telephone service will be placed under private enterprise, in view of the necessity for a cheaper and more efficient service."—(Mr. Remer.)

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

An Amendment was proposed to be made to the proposed Amendment, in l. 1, by leaving out from the word "that" to the end of the proposed Amendment, and adding the words "an inquiry will be instituted into the possibility of effecting economies in the telephone service, and of obtaining additional revenue by judicious development and an increase in the number of subscribers rather than by heavy increases in charges which may tend to hinder that development."—(Lieutenant-Colonel Walter Guiness,)—instead thereof.

And the Question being proposed, That the words proposed to be left out stand part of the proposed Amendment:—The Amendment to the said proposed Amendment was, with leave of the House, withdrawn.

And the proposed Amendment was, with leave of the House, withdrawn.

And the Main Question being again proposed;

And a Motion being made, and the Question being put, That the Debate be now adjourned—Vol. 175.

(Dear Edmund Talbot):—It was resolved in the Affirmative.

Ordered, That the Debate be resumed upon Monday next.

Whereupon Mr. Speaker adjourned the Adjournment, House without Question put, pursuant to Standing Order No. 3, it being then sixteen minutes after Four of the clock, till Monday next, pursuant to the Resolution of the House of this day.

[No. 5.]

Monday, 21st February 1921.

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

PRAYERS.

COLONEL Burn, Captain Craig, Colonel Selection.

Sir Raymond Greene, Colonel Greig, Mr. Frederick Hall, Mr. Hinda, Mr. William Nicholson, Sir Albion Richardson, Sir Samuel Roberts, Mr. Thomas Shaw, and Mr. George Thorne were nominated Members of the Committee of Selection.—(Sir Samuel Roberts.)

Sir Philip Lloyd-Greame presented a Bill to Pilotage confirm certain Pilotage Orders made by the Provisional Board of Trade under the Pilotage Act, 1913, (No. 1) Bill relating to the Pilotage Outport Districts under the jurisdiction of the Trinity House of Deptford Strand: 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 the said Paper do lie upon the Table.

Sir Robert Horne presented,—Return to an Order, dated the 16th day of this instant February, for a Return relative to Trade and Navigation.

Return to an Order, dated the 16th day of this instant February, for a Return relative to Foreign Trade and Commerce.

Sir Robert Horne also presented, pursuant to Overseas Trade the directions of several Acts of Parliament,—Copy of Order of the Board of Trade, dated 17th February 1921, under Section 3 of the Overseas Trade (Credits and Insurance) Act, 1920, adding the country of Austria to the Schedule to the Act.


Kidsgrove Gaslight Company; Cyanemich Gas Company

to the Board of Trade under the Public Utility Companies (Capital Issues) Act, 1920.

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

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Ministry of Transport.

Sir Eric Geddes presented, by His Majesty's Command,—Copy of Correspondence between the Minister of Transport and the North British Railway Company.

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

Scottish Board of Health Act, 1919.

Mr. Pratt presented, pursuant to the directions of an Act of Parliament,—Copy of Draft Order in Council proposed to be made by the Scottish Board of Health under Section 4 of the Scottish Board of Health Act, 1919, to transfer to the Scottish Board of Health the power and duty of the Secretary for Scotland under Section 13 of the Midwives (Scotland) Act, 1916, of appointing annually an Accountant practising in Scotland for the purpose of certifying the Accounts of the Central Midwives Board for Scotland constituted in terms of that Act.

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

Development Fund.

No. 28.

Mr. Baldwin presented, pursuant to the directions of an Act of Parliament,—Copy of Abstract Account of the Receipts into and Issues out of the Development Fund in the year ended 31st March 1920, with the Report of the Controller and Auditor General thereon.

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

Colonial Reports (Annual).

Mr. Secretary Churchill presented, by His Majesty's Command,—Copy of Colonial Report, No. 1,061 (Seychelles, Report for 1919).

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

Imperial Forestry Education.

Mr. Forrestier-Walker presented, by His Majesty's Command,—Copy of Report of the Interdepartmental Committee on Imperial Forestry Education.

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

Lunacy.

The following Paper, pursuant to the directions of an Act of Parliament, was laid upon the Table by the Clerk of the House:—Report to the Lord Chancellor of the number of Visits made, the number of Patients seen, the number of Miles travelled by the Visitors of Lunatics, between 1st April 1920 and 30th September 1920.

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

Unemployment Insurance Act (1920) Amendment Bill, Bill 23.

Dr. Macnamara, supported by Dr. Addison, Mr. Solicitor General, and Sir Montague Barkow, presented a Bill to provide for an increase of the rates and period of benefit under the Unemployment Insurance Act, 1920, and to vary the conditions for the receipt of such benefit, and to amend the said Act with respect to the rates and conditions of contributions thereunder and otherwise: And the same was ordered to be read a second time upon Wednesday next; and to be printed.

King's Speech (Motion for an Address.)

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.

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

Another Amendment was proposed to be Irish adminis-

Next morning, by adding at the end thereof the words "But we humbly represent to Your Majesty that the policy and practice pursued by the Executive in Ireland have failed to secure the repression of organised outrage, have involved the officers and servants of the Crown in a competition in crime with the offenders against the Law, have handed over to the military authorities an unrestricted discretion in the definition and punishment of offences, and have frustrated the prospects of an agreed settlement of the problem of Irish self-government."—(Captain Wedderburn.)

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

The House divided.
The Yeas to the Right:
The Noes to the Left:
Tellers for the Yeas, Mr. George Thorne, 88.
Mr. Hogge: 
Tellers for the Lord Edmund Talbot, 257.
Noes, Captain Guest:
So it passed in the Negative.

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

And it being after Eleven of the clock, Mr. Speaker proceeded to interrupt the business:

Whereupon Mr. Bonar Law rose in his place and claimed to move, That the Question be now put.

And the Question being put, That the Question be now put:—It was resolved in the Affirmative.

And the Question being accordingly put:—Resolved, That an humble Address be presented to His Majesty, as followeth:

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

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

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

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

Resolved, That this House will, to-morrow, Ways and Means for raising the Supply to be granted to His Majesty.—(Lord Edmund Talbot.)
Ordered, That the Committee of Public Accounts do consist of Fifteen Members.

The Committee was accordingly nominated of Mr. Baldwin, Sir William Barton, Sir Reginald Blair, Sir Henry Craik, Sir David Davies, Mr. Forrest, Mr. Robinson Graham, Mr. Lonsdale, Mr. Lunn, Mr. Raffan, Mr. Spencer, Mr. Stentor, Mr. Anesin Williams, Colonel Sir Roberts Williams, and Lieutenant-Commander Hilton Young.

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

Ordered, That Five be the quorum of the Committee.—(Colonel Gibbs.)

Adjournment.

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

Tuesday, 22nd February 1921.

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

PRAYERS.

Unemployment Insurance Bill, D. Macnamara presented, by His Majesty's Command,—Copy of Report by the Government Actuary on the financial provisions of the Unemployment Insurance Bill.

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

Mr. Baldwin presented,—Return to an Order, dated the 16th day of this instant February, for Returns relative to the Civil Contingencies Fund, 1919-20.

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

Civil Contingencies Fund, 1919-20. No. 29.

Mr. McCardy presented, by His Majesty's Command,—Copy of Third Report of the Departmental Committee on the Wholesale Food Markets of London, October 1920.

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

Wholesale Food Markets of London (Departmental Committee.)

Adjournment of the House (Ministry of Munitions.)

Captain Loseby, Member for East Bradford, 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., an order given by a highly-placed official of the Ministry of Munitions to accounts investigators and heads of ledger departments to destroy vital public documents, and, in view of the continuing danger, the urgent need of an investigation by a committee of unimpeachable impartiality with judicial powers of the circumstances surrounding this order; and the pleasure of the House having been signified, the Motion stood over, under Standing Order No. 10, until a quarter of an hour after Eight of the clock this evening.

New Member sworn.

Ernest Evans, Esquire, Member for the County of Cardigan, was sworn.

Business of the House.

A Motion was made, and the Question being proposed, That, until the end of the financial year, Government Business do have precedence at every Sitting.—(Mr. Bowr Law)

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An Amendment was proposed to be made to the Question, by adding at the end thereof, the words "but such time as is taken from private Members up to the end of the financial year shall be restored to them between Easter and Whit-santide."—(Sir Donald Maclean.)

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

Lord Edmund Talbot rose in his place and claimed to move, That the Question be now put:

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

The House divided.

The Yeas to the Right;

The Noes to the Left.

Tellers for the [Lord Edmund Talbot, Yea,

Mr. Hogge:

Tellers for the (Mr. Griffiths, Noes,

Mr. Neil Maclean:

So it was resolved in the Affirmative.

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

The House divided.

The Yeas to the Right;

The Noes to the Left.

Tellers for the [Mr. Neil Maclean,

Mr. Hogge:

Tellers for the (Mr. Dudley Ward, Noes,

Colonel Sir Robert Sanders:

Tellers for the (Mr. Neil Maclean,

Mr. Hogge:

So it was resolved in the Affirmative.

Ordered, That, until the end of the financial year, Government Business do have precedence at every Sitting.

A Motion was made, and the Question being proposed, That this House do now adjourn—Standing Order No. 10)

Adjournment 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:

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

A Motion being made, That this House, unanimously, to-morrow, resolve itself into a Committee to consider of authorising the payment out of moneys provided by Parliament of contributions towards unemployment benefit, and of sums necessary for defraying the cost of providing additional benefits for certain persons formerly engaged in war service, and of authorising the Treasury to make advances out of the Consolidated Fund,
Ordered, That the Batley Corporation Bill be read a second time upon Monday next.

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

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

Ordered, That the Coventry Corporation Bill be read a second time, and committed.

Ordered, That the Croydon Corporation Water Bill was read a second time, and committed.

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

Ordered, That the Herts and Essex Water Bill was read a second time; and referred to the Examiners of Petitions for Private Bills.

Ordered, That the Lancashire County Council (Drainage) Bill be read a second time to-morrow.

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

Ordered, That the Limerick Markets Bill was read a second time, and committed.

Ordered, That the London County Council (General Powers) Bill be read a second time upon Monday next.

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

Ordered, That the Metropolitan Water Board (Charges) Bill, be read a second time upon Monday next.

Ordered, That the Metropolitan Water Board (Various Powers) Bill be read a second time upon Monday next.

The Middlesex County Council (General Powers) Bill was read a second time, and committed.

The North Staffordshire Railway Bill was read a second time; and referred to the Examiners of Petitions for Private Bills.

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

The Portsmouth Water Bill was read a Portsmouth second time; and referred to the Examiners of Petitions for Private Bills.

The Radcliffe and District Joint Gas Board Bill was read a second time, and committed.

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

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

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

Ordered, That the Sunderland and South Shields Water Bill be read a second time to-morrow.

The Sutton District Waterworks Bill was read a second time; and referred to the Examiners of Petitions for Private Bills.

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

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

The Thames Deep-Water Wharf and Railways Bill was read a second time, and committed.

Ordered, That the Westgate and Birchington Water Bill be read a second time to-morrow.

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

Mr. Arthur Balfour presented, pursuant to the directions of an Act of Parliament,—Copies of Oxford and Cambridge Act, 1877, by the Governing (Oxford),
Body of Brasenose College, Oxford, on 18th
June and 13th October 1920, respectively,
amending Statutes II. and III. of the existing
Statutes of the College.

Copy of Statute made under the Universities
of Oxford and Cambridge Act, 1877, by the
Government Body of Lincoln College, Oxford,
on 6th November 1920, making certain Amend-
ments in Chapter 2 of the existing Statutes of the
College.

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

Sir Eric Geddes presented, pursuant to the
directions of an Act of Parliament,—Copy of Report of Pro-
ceedings by the Department of Agriculture and
Technical Instruction for Ireland under the
Diseases of Animals Acts 1918.

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


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Table.

Secretary Sir Laming Worthington-Evans
presented, pursuant to the directions of an Act of Parliament,—Copy of Amendments to the
Regulations for the Territorial Force.

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

Mr. Secretary Churchill presented, by His
Majesty's Command,—Copy of Colonial Report,
No. 1,062 (Mauritius, Report for 1919).

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

Sir Thomas Bramsdon, supported by Major
Barnes, Major Boyd-Carpenter, Mr. Greville
Doyle, Sir William Jepson-Hicks, Lieutenant-
Colonel Hurst, and Sir Robert Neenan, presented
a Bill to amend the Law relating to the
remuneration of Coroners: and the same was
ordered to be read a second time upon Tuesday
next; and to be printed.

Ordered, That leave be given to bring in a
Bill to make provision for the prevention of Unem-
ployment; to provide for the proper treatment of unemployed persons, and for other
purposes connected therewith: And that Mr.
Clynes, Mr. James Henry Thomas, Mr. Stephen
Walcot, Mr. Arthur Henderson, Mr. Thomas Shaw,
and Mr. Neil Maclaine do prepare and bring it in.

Mr. Clynes accordingly presented a Bill to
make provision for the prevention of Unemploy-
ment; to provide for the proper treatment of
unemployed persons, and for other purposes
connected therewith; And the same was read
the first time, and ordered to be read a second
time upon Wednesday next; and to be printed.

The Order of the day being read, for the
Second Reading of the Unemployment Insurance
Act (1920) Amendment Bill.

And a Motion being made, and the Question
being proposed, That the Bill be now read a
second time:—And a Debate arising thereupon;

Lord Edmond Tellott rose in his place and
claimed to move, That the Question be now put.

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

The House divided.

The Yeas to the Right;

The Noes to the Left.

Tellers for the Yeas, Mr. Dudley Ward;

Noes, Mr. Thomas Shaw:

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So it was resolved in the Affirmative.

And the Question being accordingly put;

Ordered, That the Bill be now read a second
time.

The Bill was accordingly read a second time.

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

(The House, according to Order, resolved itself Unemploy-
ment into a Committee on Unemployment Insurance
[Money].

(In the Committee.)

Motion made, and Question proposed, That
for the purposes of any Act of the present
Session relating to insurance against unemploy-
ment it is expedient,—

1. To authorise the payment, out of moneys
provided by Parliament, of

(a) a contribution towards unemployment
benefit and any other payment to be
made out of the unemployment fund
not exceeding one quarter of the
aggregate amount of the contributions
which would be received from em-
ployers and employed persons in any
year if those contributions were at the
rate in the case of men of elevenpence,
and in the case of women of ninepence
per week;

(b) the sums necessary for defraying the
cost of providing an additional benefit
at the weekly rate of two shillings
and in the case of women of ninepence
and twenty-two;

(c) the sums necessary to enable seamen,
marines, soldiers, and airmen discharged
after the second day of July, nineteen
hundred and twenty; and to be credited,
under section forty-one of the Unem-
ployment Insurance Act, 1920, with
one hundred and fifty-six contributions
instead of with ninety contributions:

2. To authorise the Treasury to make, for the
purpose of discharging the liabilities of the
unemployment fund under the Unemploy-
ment Insurance Act, 1920, as amended by
the said Act, advances out of the Consoli-
dated Fund not exceeding at any time ten
million pounds, and to borrow money for
The Harrogate Gas Bill was, according to Harrogate Gas Order, read a second time, and referred to the Examiners of Petitions for Private Bills.

The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Lancashire County Council (Drainage) Bill ; Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time upon Thursday next.

The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Sunderland and South Shields Water Bill ; Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time upon Monday next.

The Order of the day being read, for the Swansea Gas Bill ; Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time upon Monday next.

The Order of the day being read, for the Westgate and Birchington Water Bill ; Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time upon Monday next.

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

Ordered, That Standing Orders 124, 150, and 173 apply to all such Bills.

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

Ordered, That Four be the quorum of the Committee.

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

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

Standing Orders.

Mr. Betterson, Sir Arthur Fell, Mr. William Graham, Mr. Edward Kelly, Major W. Mitchell, Sir George Cumdyan Marks, Colonel & Dumb, Major-General Sir Newton Moore, Major O'Neill, Sir William Pearce, and Mr. John William Wilson were nominated Members of the Select Committee on Standing Orders. — (Colonel Gibbs.)

Piers and Harbour Orders.

Sir Eric Geddes presented, pursuant to the directions of an Act of Parliament, — Copy of Report by the Ministry of Transport of their Proceedings for Session 1921 under the General Pier and Harbour Act, 1861, and the General Pier and Harbour Act (1861) Amendment Act. Ordered, That the said Paper do lie upon the Table.

Navy Orders.

Sir James Craig presented, by His Majesty's Command,— Copy of List of Exceptions to the King's Regulations as to Pay, Non-effective Pay, and Allowances for the Navy during the year 1919-20. Ordered, That the said Paper do lie upon the Table.

Private Legislation Procedure (Scotland) Act, 1929.

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, having regard to the provisions of the said Act, the Grampian Electricity Supply Order and the Lochaber Water Power Order 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.

Colonial Reports (Annual).

Mr. Secretary Churchill presented, by His Majesty's Command,—Copy of Colonial Report, No. 1,082 (St. Vincent, Report for 1918). Ordered, That the said Paper do lie upon the Table.

Business of the House (Supply).

Ordered, That the Proceedings on Unemployment Insurance [Money] Report and on the Unemployment Insurance Act (1920) Amendment Bill have precedence this day of the Business of Supply.— (Lord Edw and Talbot.)

Unemployment Insurance [Money.]

Dr. Macnamara reported from the Committee on Unemployment Insurance [Money] a Resolution which was read, as followeth:

That for the purposes of any Act of the present Session relating to insurance against unemployment it is expedient—

1. To authorize the payment, out of moneys provided by Parliament, of—

(a) the sums necessary for defraying the cost of providing an additional benefit at the weekly rate of two shillings for such persons formerly engaged in war service as are in receipt of unemployment benefit at any time between the commencement of the said Act and the second day of July, nineteen hundred and twenty-two;

(b) the sums necessary for enabling men of elevenpence and in the case of women of ninepence per week;

(c) the sums necessary for enabling marine, marines, soldiers, and airmen discharged after the second day of July, nineteen hundred and twenty-two, to be credited, under section forty-one of the Unemployment Insurance Act, 1920, with one hundred and fifty-six contributions instead of with ninety contributions:

2. To authorise the Treasury to make, for the purpose of discharging the liabilities of the unemployment fund under the Unemployment Insurance Act, 1920, as amended by the said Act, advances out of the Consolidated Fund not exceeding at any time ten million pounds, and to borrow money for such advances by the issue of such securities as the Treasury think proper, the principal of and interest on any such securities to be charged on and payable out of the Consolidated Fund.

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

The House, according to Order, resolved itself into a Committee on the Unemployment Insurance Act, (1920) Amendment Bill.

Clause No. 1 (Rates of Unemployment Benefit).

Amendment proposed, in p. 1, l. 12, to leave out from the word "though," to the end of the Clause, in order to insert the words "for the rates specified therein there were substituted the following:—

per week.

For the head of a family — 40s.
For other than the head of a family — 25s.
For each person wholly dependent upon a person entitled to benefit under the principal Act or this Act — 5s.

(Mr. Clynes.)

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

An Amendment made.

Another Amendment proposed, in p. 1, l. 13, to leave out the words "and fifteen shillings respectively."— (Lieutenant-Commander Kemworry.)

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. 1, l. 13, after the word "respectively," to insert the words "and two shillings and sixpence for each child under the age of sixteen years."—(Lieutenant-Commander Kemworry.)

Question put, That those words be there inserted.
The Committee divided.

Tellers for the [Lieutenant-Commander Kenworthy]—54.
Yea, [Major Barnes]—57.

Tellers for the [Lord Edmund Talbot]—99.
Noes, [Captain Guest]—97.

Clause, as amended, agreed to.

Clause No. 2 (Provisions as to Contributions).

An Amendment made.

Another Amendment proposed, in p. 2, 1, 35, by inserting after the word "Bill" into consideration.

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and read the first and second time, and added to be there inserted in the Bill j regulations to be made by the Minister, to dis-

under their control, any class or section of...

Chairman of Ways and Means reported, That...

for receipt of benefit).

...genuinely employed persons are unable to prove...

...where, owing to industrial or other causes not...

Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair; and the Committee, be now taken into consideration.

An Amendment made.

Another Amendment proposed, in p. 3, 1, 14, to leave out sub-section (2), in order to insert the words...

"Provided that any person formerly engaged in war service within the meaning of this Act shall be deemed to have been engaged for the period aforesaid in such employment as aforesaid, although he has not in fact been so engaged."—(Mr. James Henry Thomas.)

Question proposed, That the words proposed to be left out to the word " where " in 1.18, stand part of the Clause — Amendment, by leave, withdrawn.

Other Amendments made.

Clause, as amended, agreed to.

Clause No. 4 disagreed to.

Clauses No. 5 to No. 8 amended, and agreed to.

Clause No. 9 agreed to.

A Clause (Amendment of Section 41 of Principal Act)—(Dr. Macnamara)—brought up, and read the first and second time, and added to the Bill.

First Schedule agreed to.

Second 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 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. 2, 1, 35, by inserting after the word "provisions," the words "that in cases where, owing to industrial or other causes not under their control, any class or section of genuinely employed persons are unable to prove employment for twenty weeks the local employment committee shall have discretion, subject to regulations to be made by the Minister, to dispense with a portion of the specified qualifying period and to the provisions."—(Mr. Devlin.)

And the Question being put, That those words be there inserted in the Bill;

The House divided.

Tellers for the [Mr. Devlin]—45.
Yea, [Mr. Sean]—65.

Tellers for the [Lord Edmund Talbot]—122.
Noes, [Mr. Dudley Ward]—116.

So it passed in the Negative.

Another Amendment was proposed to be made to the Bill, in p. 8, 1, 22, column 2, by inserting at the beginning thereof the words "in paragraph (a) of Part I. after the word 'implied' there shall be inserted 'and whether the employed person works on the premises of the employer, or at home, or elsewhere'".—(Mr. Hayday.)

And the Question being put, That those words be there inserted in the Bill;

The House divided.

Tellers for the [Mr. Devlin]—45.
Yea, [Mr. Sean]—65.

Tellers for the [Lord Edmund Talbot]—122.
Noes, [Mr. Dudley Ward]—116.

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, 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.

Resolved, That this House do now adjourn.—Adjournment.

(Lord Edmund Talbot.)

And accordingly the House, having continued to sit till three minutes before Eleven of the clock, adjourned till tomorrow.

[No. 9.]

Friday, 25th February 1921.

The House met at Twelve of the clock.

PRAYERS.

THE Bradford Canal (Abandonment) Bill

was read a second time, and referred to the Examiners of Petitions for Private Bills.

The Cambridge University and Town Water works Bill was read a second time, and referred to the Examiners of Petitions for Private Bills.

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

Ordered, That the Lee Conservancy Bill be read a second time upon Thursday next.

Ordered, That the Lee Conservancy Bill be Lee Conservancy Bill.
25th February.

Mr. Secretary Churchill presented, by His Majesty's Command,—Estimate of the sum required for the year 1921-22 for the Effective and Non-Effective Services of the Air Force.

Copy of Explanatory Statement by the Secretary of State for Air relative to the Air Estimates 1921-22.

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

Mr. Arthur Balfour presented, pursuant to the directions of several Acts of Parliament,—Copies of Ten Orders in Council under the Naval and Marine Pay and Pensions Act, 1885, dated 7th and 14th February 1921.

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

Mr. Baldwin presented, by His Majesty's Command,—Copy of Statement relating to the Employment of Ex-Service Men in Government Offices on 1st July 1919 and 1st February 1921, compiled from Returns furnished to the Treasury.

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

Dr. Macnamara presented, pursuant to the direction of an Act of Parliament,—Copy of Regulations, dated 18th January 1921, made by the Minister of Labour under the Unemployment Insurance Act, 1920, entitled the Unemployment Insurance (Courses of Instruction) Regulations, 1921.

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 24th February 1921, providing for the payment of Grant to an additional School recognised under the Regulations as to Secondary Schools.

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

Mr. Speaker informed the House that he had received the following letter relating to the arrest and imprisonment of a Member:

Chief Secretary's Office, Dublin Castle, 18.2.21.

Sir,

I have the honour to inform you by direction of the Lord Lieutenant that Mr. J. J. Clancy, M.P., has been arrested under the powers con-

ferred by the Restoration of Order in Ireland Regulations, and committed to Sligo prison.

I have the honour to be,

Your obedient servant,

A. W. COPE.

The Right Honourable the Speaker,

House of Commons,

London, S.W. 1.

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

(In the Committee.)

Civil Services and Revenue Departments Supplementary Estimates, 1920-21.

Class I.

1. Motion made, and Question proposed, That a Supplementary sum not exceeding £485,000 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 1921 for Expenditure in respect of sundry Public Buildings in Great Britain, not provided for on other Votes:

Whereupon Motion made, and Question put, That a sum not exceeding £385,000 be granted for the said Service.-(Sir Donald Maclean.)

The Committee divided.

Tellers for the [Mr. Hogg.]


Tellers for the [Lord Edmund Talbot.]


Original Question put, and agreed to.

2. £20,000 for Expenditure in connection with temporary measures for the relief of distress caused by the Flood at Louth.

Resolutions to be reported.

Motion made, and Question proposed, That a Supplementary sum not exceeding £329,000 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 1921 for Rates and Contributions in lieu of Rates, &c., in respect of Government Property, and for Rates on Houses occupied by Representatives of Foreign Powers, and for the Salaries and Expenses of the Rating of Government Property Department, and for a Contribution towards the Expenses of the London Fire Brigade:

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

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

Ordered, That the Report be received upon Monday next.

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

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

Ordered, That a Select Committee be appointed, to whom shall be referred all Petitions presented to the House, with the exception of such as relate to Private Bills; and that such Committee do classify and prepare abstracts of the same, in such form and manner as shall appear to them best suited to convey to the House all requisite information respecting their contents, and do report the same from time to time to the House; and that the Reports of the Committee do set forth, in respect of each Petition, the number of signatures which are accompanied by addresses, and which are written on sheets headed in every case by the prayer of the Petition, provided that on every separate sheet after the first the prayer may be reproduced in print or by other mechanical process; that such Committee have power to direct the printing in extenso of such Petitions, or of such parts of Petitions, as shall appear to require it; and that such Committee shall have power to report their opinion and observations thereupon to the House.

The Committee was nominated of Sir William Bull, Mr. Alfred Thomas Davies, Mr. Donald, Mr. Frewen, Sir Harry Forsman, Mr. John Guest, Sir Leicester Harnsworth, Major Henderson, Lieutenant-Colonel James, Mr. Haydn Jones, Mr. Kenyon, Sir Halford Mackinder, Mr. Ronald McNell, Mr. Rendall and Major Steel.

Ordered, That Three be the quorum of the Committee.—(Colonel Gibbs.)

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 Sir James Ains-Gardner, Sir Park Geff, Mr. Rupert Gwynne, Sir Charles Hanson, Mr. John Deans Hope, Mr. Kenneth Jones, Major Kerr-Smiley, Mr. Newbold, Mr. Rawlinson, Captain Redmond, Sir Harry Samuel, Sir William Seager, Mr. Seddon, Mr. Thomas Shaw, Mr. William Thorne, Mr. Dudley Ward, and Mr. Tyron Wilson.

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

Ordered, That Three be the quorum of the Committee.—(Colonel Gibbs.)

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 nominated of Lieutenant-Colonel Archer-Shee, Sir Rowland Blakes, Mr. Boersman, Major Cape, Mr. Hugh Edwards, Major Cawthorne, Mr. Howard Grinten, Mr. Higham, Mr. Mole, Sir Thomas Polson, and Mr. Stereock.

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

Ordered, That Three be the quorum of the Committee.—(Colonel Gibbs.)

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

[No. 10.]

Monday, 28th February 1921.

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

PRAYERS.

The Batley Corporation Bill was, according Batley Corporation Bill.

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time; and committed.

The Cardiff Gas Bill was, according to Order, Cardiff Gas Bill.

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time, and referred to the Examiners of Petitions for Private Bills.

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

Ordered, That Three be the quorum of the Committee.—(Colonel Gibbs.)

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

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

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

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

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

The Order of the day being read, for the Metropolitan Second Reading of the Metropolitan Water Board (Charges) Bill;

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

The Order of the day being read, for the Metropolitan Water Board (Various Powers) Bill;

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

The Order of the day being read, for the Sunderland Second Reading of the Sunderland and South Shields Water Bill;

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

The Swansea Gas Bill was, according to Swansea Gas Bill; and referred to the Examiners for Private Bills.

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time, and committed.

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time upon Thursday next.
Westgate and Birchington Water Bill.

The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Westgate and Birchington Water Bill:

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

Irish Universities Act, 1908.

The Order made upon the 22nd day of December in the last Session of Parliament, that the Paper relative to Irish Universities Act, 1908, be hoisted upon the Table, and be printed, was read, and discharged.

Ordered, That the said Paper be withdrawn.

Irish Universities Act, 1908. No. 31.

Mr. Batuelin presented, pursuant to the directions of several Acts of Parliament,—Accounts of Receipts and Expenditure of Universities and Colleges, Ireland, for the period 1st April 1919 to 31st July 1920, with the Report of the Comptroller and Auditor General thereon.

Account of the Unemployment Fund established pursuant to Section 92 (1) of the National Insurance Acts, 1911, Part II., showing Receipts and Payments during the period 14th July 1918 to 12th July 1919, with the Report of the Comptroller and Auditor General thereon.

Account of the Receipts and Disbursements of the Duchy of Lancaster in the year ended on the 31st December 1920; 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 be printed.

Profiteering Acts.

Sir Robert Horne presented, by His Majesty's Command,—Copy of Findings and Decisions of a Sub-Committee appointed by the Standing Committee on Trusts, under the Profiteering Acts, to inquire further into the alleged existence of a Combine among manufacturers of Sewing Cotton and its effect, if proved to exist, on Prices (Third Report).

Sir Robert Horne also presented, pursuant to the directions of an Act of Parliament,—Copies of Reports on applications by the—

Aldershot Gas, Water, and District Lighting Company;
Higham and Hundred of Hoo Water Company,
to the Board of Trade under the Public Utility Companies (Capital Issues) Act, 1920.

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


War Pensions Acts.

Mr. Mepham presented, pursuant to the directions of an Act of Parliament,—Copy of Order dated 9th February 1921, made by the Minister of Pensions, under the War Pensions Acts, for the division of the area of the Local Committee of the County of Glamorgan into two districts, for amalgamating each of those districts with the area of an existing Local Committee, and for dissolving the County of Glamorgan Local Committee, entitled the County of Glamorgan (Division of Area) Local Committee Order, 1921.

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

Mr. Addison presented, pursuant to the directions of an Act of Parliament,—Copy of the Ministry of Health (Factories and Workshops Transfer of Powers) Draft Order, 1921, made under the Ministry of Health Act, 1919.

VOL. 176.

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

Mr. Attorney General presented, pursuant to Corporation Standing Order 175a,—Copy of Report by the Attorney General on the Corporation of London (Bridge) Bill (Bridge) Bill [Lords].

Ordered, That the Report be referred to the Committee on the Bill.

Mr. Speaker informed the House that he had Impeachment received the following letter relating to the arrest and imprisonment of a Member:—

The Right Honourable the Speaker

Sirs,

23rd February 1921.

I have the honour to report that, on the 22nd day of February 1921, Dr. A. Bryan Cosack, M.P. for North Galway, was arrested under a direction issued by me as Competent Military Authority, under the Defence of the Realm Regulations, and was committed to His Majesty's prison, Collinstown.

I have the honour to be,

Sir,
Your obedient servant,

G. P. Boyd,
Major-General,
Competent Military Authority.

Mr. Forrest presented a Bill to deal with the Banks (Official official auditing of banks; And the same was Auditing) Bill ordered to be read a second time upon Friday the 18th day of March next; and to be printed.

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

The Committee.

Civil Services Supplementary Estimate, 1920-21.

Unclassified Services.

Motion made, and Question proposed, That a Supplementary sum not exceeding £21,000,000 be granted for the said Service.—(Sir Donald Maclean)—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 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 1921, the sum of £21,000,000 be granted out of the Consolidated Fund of the United Kingdom. —(Mr. Chancellor of the Exchequer.)

Resolution to be reported.

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

Ordered, That the Report be received to-morrow.

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

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

The Order of the day being read, for receiving the Report from the Committee of Supply of the 25th day of this instant February; Ordered, That the Report be received to-morrow.

Adjournment. Resolved, That this House do now adjourn.—(Colonel Sir Robert Sanders.)

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

[No. 11.]

Tuesday, 1st March 1921.

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

PRAYERS.

Mr. Speaker laid upon the Table,—Report from one of the Examiners of Petitions for Private Bills, That in the case of the following Bills, referred on the Second Reading thereof, the Standing Orders not previously inquired into, which are applicable thereto, have been complied with, viz.—

Sutton District Waterworks Bill.
Wrexham and East Denbighshire Water Bill.
Cambridge University and Town Waterworks Bill.
Bradford Canal (Abandonment) Bill.
North Staffordshire Railway Bill.
Ordered, That the Bills be committed.

Burnley Corporation Bill

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

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

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

Sir Hamar Greenwood presented, by His Local Majesty's Command,—Copy of Annual Report Government of the Local Government Board for Ireland, for (Ireland) the year ended 31st March 1920.

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

Mr. Secretary Shortt presented, by His Aliens Order, Majesty's Command,—Copy of Return of Alien Passengers landed and embarked in the United Kingdom during the three months ended 30th December 1920.

Mr. Secretary Shortt also presented, pursuant shope Act, to the directions of an Act of Parliament,—Copies 1919. of Orders made by the Council of the under-mentioned Local Authority, and confirmed by the Secretary of State for the Home Department:

County Borough of Burton-upon-Trent.
Ordered, That the said Papers do lie upon the Table.

Sir Alfred Mond presented, by His Majesty's Housing Command,—Copy of Schedule of particulars relating to the various Housing Schemes now being undertaken by His Majesty's Office of Works on behalf of Local Authorities in England and Wales.

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

Mr. Pratt presented, by His Majesty's Command,—Copy of Summary of Returns made to the Scottish Board of Health in terms of Act, 1919.
Section 23 of the Housing, Town Planning, &c. (Scotland) Act, 1919, for the half-yearly period ended 30th September 1920.

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

Mr. Baldwin presented, pursuant to the directions of an Act of Parliament,—Copy of Treasury Purchases. Minute, dated 17th January 1921, authorising further advances amounting to £4,000,000 to the Royal Commission on Sugar Supplies to provide working capital for sugar purchasers.

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

Dr. Macnamara presented, pursuant to the directions of an Act of Parliament,—Copy of Report by a Court of Inquiry, under the Industrial Courts Act, 1919, concerning the Dispute in the Tramway Industry.

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

Lord Edmund Talbot presented, pursuant to the directions of an Act of Parliament,—Copy of Minutes, of Order, dated 23rd February 1921, made by the Minister of Agriculture and Fisheries under the Diseases of Animals Acts, authorising the landing of two dromedaries in the Port of London.

Ordered, That the said Paper do lie upon the Table.
Mr. Attorney General presented, pursuant to Standing Order 175æ, Copy of Report by the Attorney General on the South Shields Corporation Bill (Lords).—Ordered, That the Report be referred to the Committee on the Bill.

Mr. Macpherson presented, pursuant to the directions of an Act of Parliament,—Copy of Third Annual Report of the Minister of Pensions for 1919–20.—Ordered, That the said Paper do lie upon the Table; and be printed.

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

The Lords communicate that they have come to several Resolutions. The Committee had come to several Resolutions. That they had nominated Mr. Austen Williams reported from the Committee of Public Accounts; That they had made Progress in the matters to them referred, and directed him to make a Report thereof to the House.

Sir Samuel Roberts reported from the Committee; That they had nominated the following Members to serve on Standing Committee A.—Mr. Arrights, Lieutenant-Commander Astbury, Sir George Barker, Mr. Bovington, Major Barnet, Sir Thomas Bennett, Mr. Bootland, Sir Alfred Bird, Major Borwick, Major Cape, Sir Arthur Churchman, Mr. John Dennis, Colonel Du Pre, Mr. Edgar, Major John Edwards, Mr. Fielden, Mr. Forrester-Walker, Major Glyn, Mr. William Greenwood, Mr. Jenkins, Guest, Mr. Hartshorn, Major Heyward, Mr. Hirst, Captain Hotchkiss, Mr. Johnstone, Sir Eeun Jones, Mr. Kiley, Sir Robert Lister, Mr. Longmate, Mr. Mills, Mr. Murray, Mr. Myers, Mr. Reginald Nicholson, Colonel Sir Henry Norris, Major Geoffrey Palmer, Mr. Allen Parkinson, Mr. Perrin, Sir Thomas Polson, Mr. Roe, Mr. Raffan, Lieutenant-Colonel Rowe, Captain Belmont, Mr. Robertson, Mr. Rodgers, Mr. Seddon, Mr. Alexander Shaw, Mr. Sitich, Mr. Stanton, and Lieutenant-Colonel Sir Alfred Warren.

Sir Samuel Roberts further reported from the Committee; That they had selected the following Members to be the Panel to serve on Unopposed Bill Committees under Standing Order 103:—Commander Bellairs, Mr. Francis, Major Heyward, Mr. John Parkinson, Lieutenant-Colonel Pinkham, Colonel Sir Alan Sykes, Mr. Thomas-Stanford, and Mr. George Thorne.

Sir Samuel Roberts further reported from the Committee; That in pursuance of the provisions of the Private Legislation Procedure (Scotland) Act, 1899, they had selected the following Twenty-four Members to form the Parliamentary Panel of Members of this House to act as Commissioners:—Mr. Adamson, Major Birkall, Mr. James Brown, Sir Henry Crichton, Captain Elliot, Major Farquharson, Major Glyn, Sir Park Goff, Mr. William Graham, Sir Harry Hope, Colonel Sir John Hope, Mr. John Deans

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.
1st—2nd March, 1921.

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

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

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

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

Colonel Sir Robert Sanders reported from the Committee of Supply of the 25th day of February last a Resolution; which was read, as followeth:

Civil Services Supplementary Estimate, 1920-21.

Unclassified Services.

That a Supplementary sum not exceeding £21,000,000 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 1921 to meet Expenditure arising from the Government Control of Railways in Great Britain and Ireland under the Regulation of the Forces Act, 1871.

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

Colonel Sir Robert Sanders reported from the Committee of Ways and Means of the 28th day of February last a Resolution; which was read, as followeth:

Consolidated Fund (No. 1) Bill.

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. Baldwin do prepare and bring it in.

Mr. Baldwin 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 twenty-one: And the same was read the first time, and ordered to be read a second time to-morrow: and to be printed.

Colonel Sir Robert Sanders reported from the Committee of Supply of the 25th day of February last several Resolutions; which were read as follow:

Civil Services and Revenue Departments, Supplementary Estimates, 1920-21.

Class I.

1. That a Supplementary sum not exceeding £4,850,000 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 1921 for expenditure in respect of sundry Public Buildings in Great Britain, not provided for on other Votes.

Leath Flood.

2. That a 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 1921 for Expenditure in connection with temporary measures for the relief of distress caused by the flood at Louth.

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

The Order of the day being read, for the Coroners Second Reading of the Coroners (Remuneration) Bill:

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

The Clerk at the Table informed the House Mr. Speaker's of the unavoidable absence of Mr. Speaker from the remainder of this day's Sitting:—Whereupon Mr. Whitley, the Chairman of Ways and Means, took the Chair as Deputy-Speaker, pursuant to the Standing Order.

A Motion was made, and the Question being put, That this House do now adjourn—(Captain Redmond);

The House divided.

The Yeas to the Right;

The Noses to the Left;

Tellers for the Yeas—

Mr. B. Newbould

Mr. R. Talbot

Tellers for the Noses—

Captain Guest

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So it passed in the Negative.

And then the House, having continued to Adjourn, sat till seven minutes after Eleven of the clock, adjourned till to-morrow.

[No. 12.]

Wednesday, 2nd March, 1921.

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

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

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, introduced pursuant to the provisions of the Private Legislation Procedure (Scotland) Act, 1899, the Standing Orders which are applicable thereto have been complied with, viz.:

Loober Water Power Bill (Substituted Bill).

Ordered, That the Paper relating to Industrial Courts Act, 1919, which was presented upon the 1st day of this instant March, be printed.

No. 37.

Sir Hamar Greenwood presented, pursuant to Supreme Court of Judicature Act (Ireland), 1877, dated 31st December 1920, giving effect to Provisional Rules of Court (Order XXXVI, Rule 9).
Copy of Statute VIII. for University College, Galway, made under the Irish Universities Act, 1908.

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

Sir Robert Horne presented, pursuant to the directions of an Act of Parliament,—Copies of Reports on applications by the British Gas Light Company, Limited; Hitchin and District Gas Company; and Knottingley Gas Company to the Board of Trade under the Public Utility Companies (Capital Issues) Act, 1920.

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

Mr. Attorney General presented, pursuant to Standing Order 175a,—Copy of Report by the Attorney General on the Westminster City Council (General Powers) Bill [Lords].

Ordered, That the Report be referred to the Committee on the Bill.

Mr. Fisher presented, by His Majesty's Command,—Copy of Draft, dated 22nd February, 1921, of Regulations made by the Board of Education under Section 44 of the Education Act, 1918, for the purpose of determining how the amount of any Deficiency Grant payable under that section in respect of Education, other than Elementary, shall be ascertained, entitled the Higher Education (Deficiency Grant) Regulations, 1921.

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

The Lord Advocate presented, pursuant to the directions of an Act of Parliament,—Copies of University Court Ordinance No. 98 (General No. 4), Ordinance of the University Courts of the Universities of Saint Andrews, Glasgow, Aberdeen, and Edinburgh (Fees for Matriculation and Entrance and certain Fees for Graduation), and No. 99 (General No. 5), Ordinance of the University Courts of the Universities of Saint Andrews, Glasgow, Aberdeen, and Edinburgh (Pensions to Principals and Professors) made under the Universities (Scotland) Act, 1889.

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

Mr. Secretary Shortt presented, pursuant to the directions of an Act of Parliament,—Copies of Reports of His Majesty's Inspectors of Constabulary on the County and Borough Police Forces in England and Wales for the year ended 29th September, 1920.

Ordered, That the said Paper 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 agreed to the Unemployment Insurance Act (1920) Amendment Bill, with Amendments; to which the Lords desire the concurrence of this House.

Ordered, That the Amendments made by the Lords to the Unemployment Insurance Act (1920) Amendment Bill, be taken into consideration to-morrow; and be printed.

Colonel Burns, supported by Sir John Butcher, Docking of Lord Henry Cavendish-Bentinck, Commander Bill, Bellairs, Sir William Bull, and Mr. Joseph Green, presented a Bill to prohibit the docking of horses; and the same was ordered to be read a second time upon Wednesday next; and to be printed.

Captain Guest reported from the Committee supply of Supply of the 1st day of this instant March (in Report) several Resolutions; which were read, as follow:

Air Estimates, 1921-22.

1. That a number of Air Forces not exceeding Air Estimates 30,880, all ranks, be maintained for the Service 1921-22.

2. That a sum not exceeding £4,754,000 be paid, &c., to His Majesty, to defray the Expense of the Pay, &c., of His Majesty's Air Force at home and abroad, which will come in course of payment during the year ending on the 31st day of March 1922.

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

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

(In the Committee.)

Civil Services and Revenue Departments Supplementary Estimates, 1920-21.

Class I.

1. Motion made, and Question proposed, That a Supplementary sum not exceeding £338,000 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 1921 for Rates and Contributions in lieu of Rates, &c., in respect of Government Property, and for Rates on Houses occupied by Representatives of Foreign Powers, and for the Salaries and Expenses of the Rating of Government Property Department, and for a Contribution towards the Expenses of the London Fire Brigade:

Whereupon Motion made, and Question proposed, That a sum not exceeding £300,000 be granted for the said Service. (Sir Donald Maclean):

Sir William Johnson-Hicks moved, That the Chairman do report Progress, and ask leave to sit again; but the Chairman, being of opinion that the Motion was an abuse of the Rules of the House, declined to propose the Question thereupon to the Committee.

Question put, That a sum not exceeding £300,000 be granted for the said Service:

The Committee divided.

Tellers for the [Mr. Godfrey Locker—] Yeas. Lampson, 70. [Major Barnes:] Noes. [Captain Guest:] 211.

Original Question put, and agreed to.

Motion made, and Question proposed, That a Supplementary sum not exceeding £108,260 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 1921 for Expenditure in connection with Public Buildings in Ireland, for the Maintenance of
2nd—3rd March. 1921.

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

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

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

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

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

The Order of the day being read, for the Prevention or Second Reading of the Prevention of Unemployment Bill;

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

The Order of the day being read, for the Coroners Second Reading of the Coroners (Remuneration) Bill;

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

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

[No. 13.]

Thursday, 3rd March 1921.

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

PRAYERS.

Mr. Speaker laid upon the Table.—Report Private Bills from one of the Examiners of Petitions for Private Bills, That in the case of the following Bill, referred on the Second Reading thereof, the Standing Orders not previously inquired into, which are applicable thereto, have been complied with, viz.:

Herts and Essex Water Bill.

Ordered, That the Bill be committed.

Mr. Speaker laid upon the Table.—Report Provisional 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, no Standing Orders are applicable, viz.:

Pilotage Provisional Orders (No. 1) Bill.

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

The East Surrey Water Bill, according to Order, read a second time; and referred to the Examiners of Petitions for Private Bills.

The Lancashire County Council (Drainage) Bill was, according to Order, read a second time, and committed.

The Order of the day being read, for the Lee Second Reading of the Lee Conservancy 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 Metropolitan Water
Board (Charges) 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 Metropolitan Water
Board (Various Powers) 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 Thames Conservancy
Bill:
Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time
upon Wednesday next.

A Bill to incorporate and confer powers upon
the Lochaber Power Company, and for other
purposes, was presented, and read the first time;
and ordered to be read a second time.

Mr. Baldwin presented, by His Majesty's
Command, —Copy of Civil Service Arbitration
Board Memorandum of Settlement by Agreement
(No. A. 80) of the Claim for Increased Remuneration
made by the Staff side of the Civil Service National
Whitley Council on behalf of certain Civil Servants transferred to
the New Grades proposed in the Report of the
Reorganisation Committee.
Ordered, That the said Papers do lie upon the
Table.

Copy of Treasury Minute, dated 27th Decem-
ber 1920, relative to the provision by a single
Supplementary Estimate of the Sums required
to meet the charges arising out of the assimila-
tion of certain Existing Grades of Civil Servants to
the New Grades proposed in the Report of the
Reorganisation Committee of the Civil
Service National Whitley Council.
Ordered, That the said Paper do lie upon the
Table.

Mr. Arthur Balfour presented, pursuant to
the directions of an Act of Parliament,—Copy
of Statutes made under the Universities of
Oxford and Cambridge Act, 1877, by the
Governing Body of Clare College, Cambridge,
on the 9th and also on the 22nd November 1920, amending certain of the
existing Statutes of the College.
Ordered, That the said Paper do lie upon the
Table.

Mr. Cecil Hermworth presented, by His
Majesty's Command,—Copy of Draft Mandates for Mesopotamia and Palestine as submitted for the
approval of the League of Nations.
Ordered, That the said Paper do lie upon the
Table.

Mr. Aneurin Williams reported from the
Committee of Public Accounts; That they had
made further Progress in the matters to them
referred, and directed him to make a Report
thereof to the House.
Ordered, That the Report do lie upon the Table; and be printed.

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

The Lords have passed a Bill, intituled An
Act to authorise the introduction of proportional
representation in local elections, and for other
purposes connected therewith; to which the
Lords desire the concurrence of this House.

Sir Herbert Nield, supported by Colonel Marchant
Morden, Mr. Lloyd-Williams, Sir William Jeayson-
Hicks, Sir Ernest Wild, Captain Viscount Curzon,
and Mr. Lenn-Mitchell, presented a Bill to amend the
Merchant-Shipping Acts, 1894 to 1920: And the
same was ordered to be read a second time upon
Friday the 5th day of April next; and to be
printed.

Mr. Secretary Shortt, supported by Mr. Children Bill,
Munro, Mr. Solicitor General, and Sir John
Baird, presented a Bill to amend the Children
Act, 1906, in respect of the expenses of reforma-
tory and industrial schools: And the same was
ordered to be read a second time to-morrow;
and to be printed.

Mr. Secretary Shortt, supported by Mr. Police Pensions
Munro, Mr. Solicitor General, and Sir John
Baird, presented a Bill to consolidate and amend
the law respecting the retirement, pensions, allowances, and gratuities of members of police
forces in Great Britain, and their widows and
children; And the same was ordered to be read a
second time to-morrow; and to be printed.

Ordered, That the Proceedings on considera-
tion of the Lords' Amendments to the Unem-
ployment Insurance Act (1920) Amendment Bill
and the Consolidated Fund (No. 1) Bill have
precedence this day of the Business of Supply.

Mr. Bonar Law.

The House, according to Order, proceeded to Unem-
ployment Insurance Act (1920) Amendment Bill
and the Consolidated Fund (No. 1) Bill have
precedence this day of the Business of Supply.

The Lords' Amendments, as far as the Amend-
ment in p. 3, l. 33, being read a second time,
were agreed to. The Lords' Amendment, in p. 3, l. 33, at the
beginning, insert (" the paragraph (b) of the proviso
to subsection (1) of section 7 of the principal
Act shall cease to have effect, and ") the next Amend-
ment, being read a second time, was
disagreed to.

The Lords' Amendment, in p. 3, l. 34, after
(" section "), insert (" whose wife or husband
resident in the same house is in receipt of wages,
annuity, or other income amounting to more than
double unemployment benefit at the full rate,
or ") 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. 16, being read a second
time, were agreed to. The Lords' Amendment, in p. 4, l. 16, after [Special
Entry.],
(" shall ") insert (" not operate during the special
periods, and shall thereafter "), the next Amend-
ment, being read a second time, was agreed to;
the object of the Amendment being to carry out
the intentions of the Commons.

The Lords' Amendment, in p. 6, l. 12, leave [Special
Entry.]
out (" thirty-first day of October "), and insert
(" second day of November "), the next Amend-
ment, being read a second time, was agreed to;
the object of the Amendment being to make the
provisions of the Bill conform with existing
practice.

The Lords' Amendment, in p. 8, l. 13, leave [Special
Entry.]
out (" first "), and insert (" third "), the next
Amendment, being read a second time, was
agreed to; the object of the Amendment being to make the provisions of the Bill conform with existing practice.

Then the subsequent Lords' Amendments, as far as the Amendment in p. 7, l. 13, being read a second time, were agreed to.

The Lords' Amendment, in p. 7, l. 13, leave out ("Thursday next after the passing thereof"), and insert ("third day of March, nineteen hundred and twenty-one"), the next Amendment, being read a second time, was agreed to; the object of the Amendment being to carry out the intentions of the Commons.

The Lords' Amendment, in p. 7, l. 18, leave out ("sixth day of July"), the next Amendment, being read a second time, was amended by leaving out the word "sixth" and inserting the word "first,"—(Dr. Macnamara),—instead thereof; and, so amended, was agreed to.

The Lords' Amendment, in p. 7, l. 17, leave out ("twenty-four"), and insert ("twenty-three"), the next Amendment, being read a second time, was agreed to.

The Lords' Amendment, in p. 9, after l. 5, insert,—

("Section 7 For the words ('suitable employment') in paragraph (iii) of subsection (1), there shall be substituted the words ('employment on reasonable terms for which he is physically and otherwise fit')

—the next Amendment, being read a second time, was disagreed to.

The Lords' Amendment, in p. 9, l. 30, after ("employment") insert ("in his opinion"), the remaining Amendment, being read a second time, was agreed 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 nominated of Mr. Neville Chamberlain, Major Haywood, Dr. Macnamara, Mr. Pennefather, and Mr. Tyron Wilson.

Ordered, That Three be the quorum of the Committee.—(Dr. Macnamara.)

And they are to withdraw immediately.

The Consolidated Fund (No. 1) Bill was, according to Order, read a second time, and committed to a Committee of the whole House for to-morrow.

Dr. Macnamara 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 Unemployment Insurance Act (1920) Amendment Bill; and the same were read, as follow:

The Commons disagree to the Amendments made by the Lords, in p. 3, l. 33 and 34, for the following Reason:—Because they alter the conditions for receiving Unemployment Benefit; and the Commons consider it unnecessary to offer any further reason, hoping the above reason may be deemed sufficient.

The Commons disagree to the Amendment made by the Lords in p. 9, after l. 5, for the following Reason:—Because they consider that the Amendment in the words "employment on reasonable terms" raises a question of conditions already dealt with, and further, that the terms of the Act of 1920, viz., "suitable employment," taken in conjunction with the instructions of the Minister of Labour, sufficiently safeguard the public interest.

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

Ordered, That a Message be sent to the Lords to communicate the said Reasons (with the Bill and Amendments) : And that the Clerk do carry the same.

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

(Civil Services and Revenue Departments Supplementary Estimates, 1920-21.)

Class II.

1. Motion made, and Question proposed, That a Supplementary sum not exceeding £10 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 1921 for the Salaries and Expenses of the National Debt Office.

Whereupon Motion made, and Question proposed, That Item A (Salaries, Wages, and Allowances) be reduced by £550.—(Sir Frederick Bombay)

Whereupon the Gentleman Usher of the Black Rod having come with a Message, the Chairman left the Chair.

Mr. Deputy Speaker resumed the Chair.

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

The Lords agree with the Amendment made Unemployable by this House to one of their Amendments, and do not insist upon their Amendments with which this House hath disagreed.

A Message was delivered by Lieutenant-Royal Assent.

General Sir William Pulteney, K.C.B., K.C.M.G., D.S.O., Gentleman Usher of the Black Rod, attending the House of Lords:

Mr. Deputy Speaker,

The Lords authorised by virtue of His Majesty's Commission, for declaring His Royal Assent to an Act agreed upon by both Houses, desire the immediate attendance of this Honourable House in the House of Peers, to hear the Commission read.

Accordingly Mr. Deputy Speaker, with the House, went up to the House of Peers:—And having returned;

Mr. Deputy Speaker reported, That the House, at the desire of the Lords authorised by virtue of His Majesty's Commission, had been at the House of Peers, where a Commission under the Great Seal was read, giving, declaring, and notifying the Royal Assent to the Act therein mentioned; and that the Lords thereby authorised had declared the Royal Assent to the said Act, as followeth:

Unemployment Insurance Act, 1921.

The House again resolved itself into the Supply Committee of Supply.

(Provisional.)

Question again proposed, That Item A (Salaries, Wages, and Allowances) be reduced by £550.

The House met at Twelve of the clock.

Mr. Speaker's Address. Prize.

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

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by Vehicles in Streets, Roads, or Public Places during the year ended the 31st day of December 1920. (In the Committee of Selection.) That they had discharged the following Member from Standing Committee A:—Sir Arthur Churchman; and had appointed in substitution: Mr. Lynn.

Ordered, That the Report do lie upon the Table.

Mr. Bridgeman, supported by Sir Robert Horne, Mr. Baldwin, and Sir Philip Lloyd-Greame, presented a Bill to curtail the duration of and amend the Coal Mines (Emergency) Act, 1920, and for purposes connected therewith: And the same was ordered to be read a second time upon Tuesday next; and to be printed.

Mr. Attorney General, supported by Mr. James Hope, presented a Bill to make provision with respect to the taking of evidence before and the procedure and powers of certain tribunals of inquiry: And the same was ordered to be read a second time upon Monday next; and to be printed.

A Motion was made, and the Question being proposed, That, until the end of the financial year, Government Business be not interrupted under the provisions of any Standing Order relating to the Sittings of the House, and may be entered upon at any hour, although opposed—(Mr. Bonar Law);

An Amendment was proposed to be made to the Question, by adding at the end thereof the words "provided that discussion upon Supplementary Estimates shall not, on any day, be continued after 1 a.m., or on any Friday after 6 p.m."—(Mr. Godfrey Locker-Lampson.)

A Motion was made, and Question put; and the Question being 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 Mr. Speaker's 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 House, according to Order resolved itself into the Committee of Supply.

(In the Committee.)

Civil Services and Revenue Departments Supplementary Estimates, 1920-21.

Class III.

1. £10 (Supplementary) for the Salaries of the Law Officers' Department; the Salaries and Expenses of the Departments of His Majesty's Attorney General, and of the Solicitor for the Affairs of His Majesty's Treasury, and of the Department of the Director of Public Prosecutions; for the Costs of Prosecutions, of other Legal Proceedings, and of Parliamentary Agency.

2. Motion made, and Question proposed, That a Supplementary sum not exceeding £5,500 be granted to His Majesty, to defray the charge which will come in course of payment during the year ending on the 31st day of March 1921 for the Salaries and Expenses of the Office of Land Registry:

Whereupon Motion made, and Question put, That a sum not exceeding £5,000 be granted for the said Service.—(Sir Donald Maclean.)

The Committee divided.

Tellers for the [Mr. George Thorne,
Yea, [Mr. Swan: ] 22.

Original Question put, and agreed to.

3. £240,000 (Supplementary) for the Salaries of the Commissioner and Assistant Commissioners of the Metropolitan Police, and of the Receiver for the Metropolitan Police District, War Bonus to Metropolitan Police Magistrates, the Contribution towards the Expenses of the Metropolitan Police, the Salaries and Expenses of the Inspectors of Constabulary, and other Grants in respect of Police Expenditure, including Places of Detention and a Grant in Aid of the Police Federation.

Resolutions to be reported.

Motion made, and Question proposed, That a Supplementary sum not exceeding £15,100 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 1921 for the Salaries and Expenses of the Office of the Inspector of Reformatories, and for the Expense of the Maintenance of Juvenile Offenders in Reformatory, Industrial, and Day Industrial Schools, and in Auxiliary Homes in England and Wales:

Whereupon Motion made, and Question That the Chairman do report Progress; and to leave to sit again.—(Colonel Sir Robert Sanders)—put, and agreed to.
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Mr. Deputy Speaker resumed the Chair; and the Deputy Chairman reported, That the Committee had come to several Resolutions.

Ordered, That the Report be received upon Monday next.

The Deputy Chairman also acquainted the House, that 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.

Children Bill. The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Children Bill;

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

Police Pensions Bill. The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Police Pensions Bill;

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

Supply [3rd March] Report. Colonel Sir Robert Sanders reported from the Committee of Supply of the 3rd day of this instant March, several Resolutions; which were read, as follow:

Civil Services and Revenue Departments Supplementary Estimates, 1920-21.

Class II.

National Debt Office. 1. That a Supplementary sum not exceeding £10 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 1921 for the Salaries and Expenses of the National Debt Office.

Works and Public Buildings Office of. 2. That a Supplementary sum not exceeding £63,000 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 1921 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.

Supply [3rd March] Report. Colonel Sir Robert Sanders reported from the Committee of Supply of the 2nd day of this instant March, several Resolutions; which were read, as follow:

Civil Services and Revenue Departments Supplementary Estimates, 1920-21.

Class II.

Rates on Government Property. 1. That a Supplementary sum not exceeding £399,000 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 1921 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.

Cabinet Offices. 2. That a Supplementary sum not exceeding £2,500 be granted to His Majesty, to defray the charge which will come in course of payment during the year ending on the 31st day of March 1921 for the Salary of a Minister without Portfolio and the Salaries and Expenses of the Cabinet Offices.

£5,000 be granted to His Majesty, to defray the charge which will come in course of payment during the year ending on the 31st day of March 1921 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, 1899.

4. That a Supplementary sum not exceeding Colonial Office. £250,625 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 1921 for the Salaries and Expenses of the Department of His Majesty's Secretary of State for the Colonies, including a Grant in Aid and other Expenses connected with Overseas Settlement.

5. That a Supplementary sum not exceeding Civil Service £3,000 be granted to His Majesty, to defray the charge which will come in course of payment during the year ending on the 31st day of March 1921 for the Salaries and Expenses of the Civil Service Commission.

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

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

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

Ordered, That the Lords' Message of the 1st Indian Affairs. day of this instant March communicating the Resolution, That it is desirable that a Committee of Eleven Lords be appointed to join with a Committee of Eleven Members of this House as a Standing Joint Committee on Indian Affairs, he now takes into consideration. — (Colonel Gibbs.)

The House accordingly proceeded to take the said Message into consideration.

Resolved, That this House doth agree with the Lords in the said Resolution.—(Colonel Gibbs.)

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

Whereupon Mr. Deputy Speaker adjourned the House without Question put, pursuant to Standing Order No. 2, it being then one minute after Five of the clock, till Monday next.

[No. 15.]

Monday, 7th March 1921.

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

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

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

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time upon Monday next.
The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Sunderland and South Shields Water Bill; Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time upon Wednesday next.

Mr. Bridgeman presented, by His Majesty's Command,—Copy of Statistical Summary of Output and of the Costs of Production, Proceeds, and Profits of the Coal-Mining Industry as a whole, and for the various districts, in respect of the three months ended 31st December 1920.

Copy of Statistical Summary of Output and of the Costs of Production, Proceeds, and Profits of the Coal-Mining Industry as a whole, and for the various districts, in respect of the month ended 31st January 1921.

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

Sir Robert Horne presented, pursuant to the directions of an Act of Parliament,—Copy of Reports on applications by the Crediton Gas Company, Limited, to the Board of Trade under the Public Utility Companies (Capital Issues) Act, 1920.

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

Mr. Secretary Shortt presented, by His Majesty's Command,—Copy of Statistics of Compensation and of Proceedings under the Workmen's Compensation Act, 1906, and the Employers' Liability Act, 1880, during the year 1919.

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

Secretary Sir Laming Worthington-Evans presented, by His Majesty's Command,—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 1920.

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

Mr. Secretary Churchill presented, by His Majesty's Command,—Copies of Colonial Reports, Nos. 1,064 (Nigeria, Report for 1919), and 1,085 (Sierra Leone, Report for 1919).

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

Sir Eric Geddes presented, pursuant to the directions of an Act of Parliament,—Copy of Nineteenth Annual Report as to the condition and working of the Banavie to Mallaig Light Railway, the Rates and Charges for Trains, and the Receipts and Expenditure of any Company in working the Railway, for the year 1919-20.

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

Captain Robert Gee, Member for the Borough of Woolwich (East Division), was sworn.

James Wilson, Esquire, Member for the Borough of Dudley, was sworn.

Lieutenant-Commander Kenworthy, supported by Mr. Bottomley, Mr. William Graham, Captain Elliott, Lieutenant-Colonel Walter Guinness, Dr. Murray, Mr. Inskip, Mr. Speer, Colonel Penny, Williams, Mr. Tevelyan Thomson, and Mr. Reper, presented a Bill to prohibit the exhibition of performing animals and birds in places of public entertainment: And the same was ordered to be read a second time upon Wednesday next; and to be printed.

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

Civil Services and Revenue Departments Supplementary Estimates, 1920-21.

Class III.

1. Motion made, and Question proposed, That a Supplementary sum not exceeding £1,418,700 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 1921 for the Expenses of the Royal Irish Constabulary:

Whereupon Motion made, and Question proposed, That a sum not exceeding £1,388,700 be granted for the said Service.—(Mr. T. P. O'Connor.)

Whereupon Motion made, and Question proposed, That the Chairman do report Progress; and ask leave to sit again.—(Mr. Arthur Henderson)—Motion, by leave, withdrawn.

Question again proposed, That a sum not exceeding £1,368,700 be granted for the said Service.—Debate arising;

Lord Edmund Talbot rose in his place and claimed to move, That the Question be now put.

Question put, That the Question be now put:

Question put (pursuant to S.O. Closure of Debate.)

The Committee divided.

Tellers for the
Yeas,
Captain Guest:
T. P. O'Connor,
Devlin:
Tellers for the
Noes,
Mr. Devlin:
Tellers for the Captain Guest,
Noes,
Lord Edmund Talbot:
Question put accordingly, That a sum not exceeding £1,368,700 be granted for the said Service:

The Committee divided.

Tellers for the
Yeas,
Mr. T. P. O'Connor,
Devlin:
Tellers for the Captain Guest,
Noes,
Lord Edmund Talbot:
Original Question put, and agreed to.

Resolution to be reported.

Class II.

Motion made, and Question proposed, That a Supplementary sum not exceeding £15,945 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 1921, for the Salaries and Expenses of the Offices of the Chief Secretary in Dublin, Belfast, and London (including Grants for the Higher Education of ex-Officers, &c.); of the Irish Public Health Council; of the Inspectors of Lunatic Asylums; Expenses under the Inebriates Acts; and certain Allowances for Disturbance, &c.

Whereupon Motion made, and Question, That the Chairman do report Progress; and ask leave to sit again,—(Colonel Sir Robert Sanders)—put, and agreed to.

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 tomorrow.

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

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

The Tribunals of Inquiry (Evidence) 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.—(Colonel Sir Robert Sanders.)

Children Bill.

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

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

And the House having continued to sit till after Twelve of the clock on Tuesday morning:

Tuesday, 8th March 1921:

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 this day.—(Mr. Secretary Shortt.)

The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Police Pensions Bill;

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time this day.

Colonel Sir Robert Sanders reported from the Committee of Supply of the 4th day of this instant March, several Resolutions; which were read, as follow:

Civil Services and Revenue Departments, Supplementary Estimates, 1920-21.

Class III.

Law Charges.

1. That a Supplementary sum not exceeding £10 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 1921 for the Salaries of the Law Officers Department, the Salaries and Expenses of the Departments of His Majesty's Procurator-General, and of the Solicitor for the Affairs of His Majesty's Treasury, and of the Department of the Director of Public Prosecutions; for the Costs of Prosecutions, of other Legal Proceedings, and of Parliamentary Agency.

2. That a Supplementary sum not exceeding £7,530 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 1921 for the Salaries and Expenses of the Office of Land Registry.

3. That a Supplementary sum not exceeding £440,000 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 1921 for the Salaries of the Commissioner and Assistant Commissioners of the Metropolitan Police, and of the Receiver for the Metropolitan Police District, War Bonus to Metropolitan Police Magistrates, the Contribution towards the Expenses of the Metropolitan Police, the Salaries and Expenses of the Inspectors of Constabulary, and other Grants in respect of Police Expenditure, including Places of Detention and a Grant in Aid of the Police Federation.

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

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 Prevention of Unemployment Bill; and the Question being put:

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

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 twenty-three minutes before One of the clock on Tuesday morning, till this day.

[No. 16.]

Tuesday, 8th March 1921.

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

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

Mr. Deputy Speaker laid upon the Table,—Private Bills (Standing Orders not previously inquired into, copied into Order.)

Private Bills 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.:

East Surrey Water Bill.

Westgate and Birchinlington Water Bill.

Ordered, That the Bills be committed.

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, introduced pursuant to the provisions of the Private Legislation Procedure (Scotland) Act, 1899, the Standing Orders which are applicable thereto have been complied with, viz.:

Grampian Electricity Supply Bill (Substituted Bill.)

The Lochaber Water Power Bill was read a second time, and committed.

The Lord Advocate presented, pursuant to the directions of an Act of Parliament,—Copy of University Court Ordinance No. 100 (St. Andrews, No. 20), Regulations for Ramsey Foundation—Supplementary to Ordinance No. 70 (St. Andrews, No. 12), Regulations for Ramsey Foundation—made under the Universities (Scotland) Act, 1899.
Ordered, That the said Paper do lie upon the Table; and be printed.

Mr. Baldwin presented, pursuant to the directions of an Act of Parliament,—Copy of Treasury Minute, dated 1st March 1921, under the Superannuation Act, 1884, declaring that Mr. Charles James Green, Second Mate, War Department Fleet, was appointed without a Civil Service Certificate through inadvertence on the part of the Head of his Department.

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

Mr. Secretary Shortt presented, by His Majesty’s Command,—Copy of Memorandum on the financial effect of Clause 1 (3) of the Children Bill.

Copy of Memorandum on the financial effect of certain provisions of the Police Pensions Bill.

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

Ordered, That there be laid before this House a Return relating to the Output of Coal in the United Kingdom during periods of four weeks, commencing with the week ended the 31st day of June 1919, and to the number of persons employed at the end of those periods in the various districts (in continuation of Parliamentary Paper, No. 33, of Session 1920.)—(Mr. Bridge- man.)

Ordered, That there be laid before this House a Return relating to the Weekly Output of Coal from Coal Mines in Great Britain, commencing with the week ended the 31st day of March 1919 (in continuation of Parliamentary Paper, No. 28, of Session 1920).—(Mr. Bridgeman.)

A Motion being made, That this House will, to-morrow, resolve itself into a Committee to consider of authorising the removal as from the first day of April, nineteen hundred and twenty, of the limitation imposed by section seventy-three of the Children Act, 1908, to contributions from the Treasury towards the expenses of certified schools.—(Lord Edmund Talbot);

Mr. Bonar Law, 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.

Patrick Joseph Henry Hannon, Esquire, Member for the Borough of Birmingham (Moseley Division), was sworn.

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

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

Sir Samuel Roberts reported from the Committee of Selection; That they had selected the following Twelve Members to be the Chairman’s Panel, and to serve as Chairmen of the Six Standing Committees appointed under Standing Order, No. 47:—Major Barton, Mr. Hodges, Mr. William Nicholson, Sir Holford Mackinder, Mr. T. P. O’Connor, Sir Samuel Roberts, Sir William Watson Rutherford, Mr. James Henry Thomas, Mr. Turton, Mr. John William Wilson, Sir William Pearce, and Mr. Randall.

Sir Samuel Roberts further reported from the Chairman’s Committee; That, in pursuance of Section 1, sub-section (3), of the Parliament Act, 1911, they had appointed Mr. John William Wilson under Parliament Act, 1911.)

Sir Samuel Roberts further reported from the Committee; That they had discharged the following Member from the Parliamentary Panel under the Private Legislation Procedure (Scotland) Act, 1899.—Major William Murray; and had appointed in substitution: Mr. Ford.

Ordered, That the Reports do lie upon the Table.

Mr. Sexton, supported by Mr. Clynes, Mr. Merchant Shipping (No. 3) Bill.

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

Mr. Secretary Shortt presented, by His Majesty’s Command,—Copy of Memorandum on the financial effect of Clause 1 (3) of the Children Bill.

A Motion being made, That this House will, to-morrow, resolve itself into a Committee to consider of authorising the removal as from the first day of April, nineteen hundred and twenty, of the limitation imposed by section seventy-three of the Children Act, 1908, to contributions from the Treasury towards the expenses of certified schools.—(Lord Edmund Talbot);

Mr. Bonar Law, by His Majesty’s Command, acquainted the House that His Majesty, having been informed of the subject-matter of this Motion, recommends it to the consideration of the House.

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

And 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. Stephen Walsh.)

And the Question being proposed, That the word “now” stand part of the Question;

A Message was delivered by Lieutenant, Royal Navy, General Sir William Pulleney, K.C.B., K.C.M.G., D.N.O., Gentleman Usher of the Black Rod:

Mr. Deputy Speaker,

The Lords authorised by virtue of His Majesty’s Commission, for declaring His Royal Assent to an Act agreed upon by both Houses, desire the immediate attendance of this Honourable House in the House of Peers, to hear the Commission read.

Accordingly Mr. Deputy Speaker, with the House, went up to the House of Peers:—And having returned;

Mr. Deputy Speaker reported, That the House, at the desire of the Lords authorised by virtue of His Majesty’s Commission, had been at the House of Peers, where a Commission under the Great Seal was read, giving, declaring, and notifying the Royal Assent to the Act therein mentioned; and that the Lords thereby authorised had declared the Royal Assent to the said Act, as followeth:

Ordered, That the Question be again proposed, That the Coal Mines Second Reading of the Coal Mines (Decentralisation) Bill;

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

And the Question being again proposed, That the Coal Mines Second Reading of the Coal Mines (Decentralisation) Bill;
The House divided.
The Yeas to the Right;
The Noes to the Left.
Tellers for the [Lord Edmund Talbot], [Mr. Dudley Ward] : 277.
Tellers for the [Mr. Arthur Henderson], [Mr. Thomas Shaw] : 72.

So it was resolved in the Affirmative.

The Bill was read a second time.
A Motion was made, and the Question being put, That the Bill be committed to a Committee of the whole House — (Mr. James Henry Thomas);
The House divided.
The Yeas to the Right;
The Noes to the Left.
Tellers for the [Mr. Arthur Henderson], [Mr. Thomas Shaw] : 69.
Tellers for the [Lord Edmund Talbot], [Mr. Dudley Ward] : 275.

So it was passed in the Negative.

The Bill was committed to a Standing 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.

Police Pensions Bill.
The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Police Pensions Bill;
Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time upon Monday next.

Tribunals of Inquiry (Evidence) Bill.
The House, according to Order, resolved itself into a Committee on the Tribunals of Inquiry (Evidence) Bill.
(In the Committee.)
Clause No. 1 amended, and agreed to.
Clause No. 2 (Powers of tribunals as to exclusion of public and granting right of audience). Amendment proposed in p. 2, l. 18, to leave out paragraph (a).—(Mr. Rendall.) Question, That the words proposed to be left out stand part of the Clause, put, and agreed to.
Clause agreed to.
Clause No. 3 agreed to.
Bill, as amended, to be reported.

Mr. Deputy Speaker resumed the Chair; and the Deputy Chairman reported, That the Committee had gone through the Bill.
Ordered, That the Bill, as amended in the Committee, be now taken into consideration.—The House accordingly proceeded to take the Bill into consideration.
Ordered, That the Bill be now read the third time—The Bill was accordingly read the third time and passed.
Ordered, That the Clerk do carry the Bill to the Lords; and desire their concurrence.

Children Bill.
The Order of the day being read, for the Committee on the Children Bill;
Resolved, That this House will, to-morrow, resolve itself into the said Committee.
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Colonel Sir Robert Sanders reported from the Supply Committee of Supply of the 7th day of this instant March, a Resolution; which was read, as followeth:

Civil Services and Revenue Departments
Supplementary Estimates, 1920-21.
Class III.

That a Supplementary sum not exceeding £1,418,700 be granted to His Majesty, to, viz.,

defray the charge which will come in course of payment during the year ending on the 31st day of March 1921 for the Expenses of the Royal Irish Constabulary.

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 the House having continued to sit till after Twelve of the clock on Wednesday morning;

Wednesday, 9th March 1921:
And the Question being put:
The House divided.
The Yeas to the Right;
The Noes to the Left.
Tellers for the [Lord Edmund Talbot], [Mr. Dudley Ward] : 92.
Tellers for the [Lieutenant-Colonel Sir Edmund Talbot, Bart, Trenchard Kenworthy], [Mr. Cape] : 30.

So it was resolved in the Affirmative.

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.

The Order of the day being read, for the Coroners Second Reading of the Coroners (Remuneration) Bill;
Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time this day.

And it being after half past Eleven of the Adjournment, clock on Tuesday evening, Mr. Deputy Speaker adjourned the House without Question put, pursuant to the Standing Order, it being then a quarter of an hour after Twelve of the clock on Wednesday morning, till this day.

STANDING COMMITTEES.
Distribution by Mr. Deputy Speaker, pursuant to Standing Order No. 47, of Bills committed to a Standing Committee.

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Wednesday, 9th March 1921.

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

PRAYERS.

The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Lee Conservancy 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 Metropolitan Water Board (Charges) 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 Metropolitan Water Board (Various Powers) Bill;

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

The Sunderland and South Shields Water 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 Second Reading of the Thames Conservancy Bill;

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

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

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

Then the said Petition was brought up, and read; setting forth, That the only funds belonging to the Petitioners for the support of the British Museum consist of thirty thousand pounds Two and one-half per cent. Consolidated Annuities, the annual dividends whereof amount to about three hundred and sixty-five pounds; of a bequest of Lord Farnborough, the annual proceeds of which amount to fifty-two pounds; and of a gift from Louis Florence, invested in Five per cent. War Loan, 1929-47, the annual proceeds of which amount to about seventy-two pounds; of a bequest by the late Mr. Henry Charles Drury Edward Fortnum, amounting to two thousand one hundred and forty pounds, of which one thousand nine hundred and ninety-four pounds are invested in Five per cent. War Loan, 1929-47, the annual dividend whereof amount to one hundred and five pounds; of a bequest by the late Mr. Henry Louis Florence, invested in Five per cent. War Loan, 1929-47, the annual proceeds of which amount to fifty-two pounds; of a bequest of Lord Farnborough, the annual proceeds of which amount to about thirty thousand pounds, of a bequest of the eighth Earl of Bridgewater, the annual proceeds of which amount to about about thirty thousand pounds; of a bequest by the late Mr. Henry Louis Florence, invested in Five per cent. War Loan, 1929-47, the annual dividend whereof amounts to fifty-two pounds; that the establishment is necessarily attended with an expense far beyond the annual produce of the above-mentioned sums, and the Trust cannot with benefit to the public be carried on without the aid of Parliament; and praying the House to grant them such further support towards enabling them to carry on the execution of the Trust reposed in them by Parliament for the general benefit of learning and useful knowledge as to the House shall seem meet.

Ordered, That the said Petition be referred to the Committee of Supply.

Sir James Craig presented, by His Majesty’s Navy Command,—Copy of Statement of the First Lord of the Admiralty, explanatory of the Navy Estimates, 1921-22.

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

Mr. Baldwin presented, by His Majesty’s Civil Service Command,—Copy of Report of the Committee (Salaries,) appointed to advise as to the Salaries of the Principal Posts in the Civil Service.

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

Mr. Pratt presented, pursuant to the directions of an Act of Parliament,—Copy of the Housing (Scotland) (Financial Assistance to Crofters) Scheme (Scotland), 1921, dated 18th February 1921, made by the Scottish Board of Health, with the approval of the Treasury, under the Housing (Additional Powers) Act, 1919, and the Housing (Scotland) Act, 1920.

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

Mr. Secretary Churchill presented, by His Air (Excess) Majesty’s Command,—Copy of Statement of 1919-20, the Surplus required to be voted to make good the Excess of Air Expenditure beyond the Grants for the year ended 31st March 1920.

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

Sir Eric Geddes presented, pursuant to the directions of an Act of Parliament,—Copy of Provisional Regulations, dated 9th March 1921, made by the Ministry of Transport under the Roads Act, 1920, entitled the Road Vehicles (Registration and Licensing) Regulations, 1921.

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

Sir Robert Horne presented, by His Majesty’s Boiler Command,—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 ended 30th June 1917, with Appendices.

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

Dr. Addison presented, pursuant to the directions of an Act of Parliament,—Copy of the Ministry of Health (Registration and Elections, Transfer of Powers) Draft Order, 1921, made under the Ministry of Health Act, 1919.

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

Secretary Sir Laming Worthington-Evans presented, by His Majesty’s Command,— Estimates of the maximum number of Men on the Establishment of the Army, exclusive of India, for the year 1921-22.
Army Estimates, 1921-22 (Vote on Account.)
No. 50.

Copy of Memorandum by the Secretary of State for War on the Vote on Account for the Army.

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

Standing Committees.

Mr. John William Wilson reported from the Standing Committee A., that they had discharged the following Members from Standing Committee A.:
Major Borwick and Sir Ashton Liver; and had appointed in substitution: Colonel Rawdell and Sir Alfred Yeo.

Ordered, That the Reports do lie upon the Table.

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Mr. John William Wilson reported from the Standing Select Committee on Standing Orders, a Resolution; which was read, as followeth:

That in the case of the Durham County Transport, Petition for Bill, the Standing Orders ought to be dispensed with; that the parties be permitted to proceed with their Bill, on the condition that the powers to construct so much of Tramway No. 8 as is proposed to be laid in the parish of Boldon Colliery, and so much thereof as is proposed to be laid in the parishes of Boldon and Whithburn, be struck out of the Bill, and that the powers to construct Tramways Nos. 9b, 9c and 10 be struck out of the Bill:—That the Committee on the Bill do report how far such Order has been complied with.

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

Mr. Frederic Green, supported by Lieutenant-Colonel Burgoyne, Mr. Forrestier-Walker, Captain Moreing, Mr. Reginald Nicholson, and Colonel Sir Charles Yate, presented a Bill to remove the disqualification of clerks in holy orders and other ministers of religion as Members of the House of Commons and as municipal councillors: And the same was ordered to be read a second time upon Tuesday the 26th day of April next; and to be printed.

Lieutenant-Colonel Arthur Murray, supported by Sir Frederick Bond, Robert Brown, Sir John Butcher, Mr. Lindsay, Mr. Newbold, Mr. Spoor, Major Mackenzie Wood, and Sir Alfred Yeo, presented a Bill to amend the Protection of Animals Act, 1911: And the same was ordered to be read a second time upon Tuesday the 22nd day of this instant March; and to be printed.

Lieutenant-Colonel Arthur Murray, supported by Major Mackenzie Wood, presented a Bill to transfer the powers and duties of the Ministry of Agriculture, under the Diseases of Animals Acts, 1894 to 1914, so far as they relate to Scotland, to the Board of Agriculture for Scotland: And the same was ordered to be read a second time upon Wednesday the 6th day of April next; and to be printed.

Mr. Trevorly Thomson, supported by Vis. Importation countess Astor, Colonel Sir Charles Yate, Mr. Pilgrims, Ormby-Green, Captain Wedgwood Benn, Captain (No. 3) Hill, Brown, Mr. Frederick Green, Sir John Butcher, and Mr. Cauns, Mr. Bromfield, Mr. Thomas Davies, and Mr. Austin Williams, presented a Bill to prohibit the importation of Plasman: And the same was ordered to be read a second time upon Friday the 1st day of April next; and to be printed.

A Motion was made, and the Question being Brought up, That, on this day, notwithstanding anything in the House of Commons and Municipal Corporations (Disqualification of Clergymen) Bill, 1892, the same be ordered to be read a second time upon Monday the 21st day of this instant March; and to be printed.

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

Tellers for the 'Lord Edward Talbot, Yeas, | Captain Guest: 233.
Tellers for the Mr. Hogg,
Noes, | Mr. Griffiths: 98.

So it was resolved in the Affirmative.

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

(Civil Services and Revenue Departments Estimates, 1921-22 (Vote on Account).

1. Motion made, and Question proposed, that a sum not exceeding £197,000,000 be granted to His Majesty, on account, for or towards defraying the charges for certain Civil Services and Revenue Departments for the year ending on the 31st day of March 1922, viz.:

**Civil Services**

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Ireland:

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**CLASS V.**

Diplomatic and Consular Services               | 1,000,000|
| Colonial Services                            | 720,000  |
| Middle Eastern Services                      | 6,000   |
| Telegraph Subsidies                          | 4,000   |
| League of Nations                            | 40,000  |

**CLASS VI.**

Supernumerary and Retired Allowances            | 405,000 |
| Old Age Pensions                             | 11,000,000|
| Ministry of Pensions                         | 44,000,000|
| Merchant Seamen's War Pensions                | 250,000  |
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 Children [Treasury Contributions].

(In the Committee.)
Resolved, That, for the purposes of any Act of the present Session to amend the Children Act, 1908, in respect of the expenses of reformatory and industrial schools, it is expedient to remove the limit which, under section seventy-three of the Children Act, 1908, is imposed on the contribution which is to be made out of moneys provided by Parliament towards the expenses of a child detained in an industrial school on the application of its parents or guardians, and that such removal should have effect as from the first day of April, nineteen hundred and twenty.-(Sir John Baird.)

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 Children Bill, Committee on the Children Bill;

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

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

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

Resolved, That this House do now adjourn.—Adjourned. (Colonel Sir Robert Sanders.)

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

[No. 18.]

Thursday, 10th March 1921.

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

PRAYERS.

A BILL for incorporating and conferring Grampian powers upon the Grampian Electricity Supply Company, and for other purposes, was presented, and read the first time; and ordered to be read a second time.

Mr. Pratt presented, pursuant to the directions of National of an Act of Parliament,—Copy of the National Health Insurance Act, 1911, the National Insurance Act, 1913, and the National Health Insurance Act, 1920.
Ordered, That the said Paper do lie upon the Table.

Sir James Craig, 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 1920.

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

Dr. Macnamara, presented, pursuant to the directions of an Act of Parliament,—Copy of the Unemployment Insurance (Directions to Committees) Regulations, 1921, dated 7th March 1921, made by the Minister of Labour under the Unemployment Insurance Acts, 1920 and 1921.

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

Secretary Sir Laming Worthington-Evans, presented, by His Majesty's Command,—Copy of General Annual Reports on the British Army (including the Territorial Forces from the date of embodiment) for the period from 1st October 1913 to 30th September 1919.

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

Ordered, That there be laid before this House an Account of the Income and Expenditure of the British Museum (Special Trust Funds) for the year ending the 31st day of March 1921, and Return of the number of persons admitted to visit the Museum and the British Museum (Natural History) in each year from 1915 to 1920, 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 1920.—(Mr. Fisher.)

The Order for reading a second time, upon Monday next, the Prevention of Unemployment Bill was read, and discharged.

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time upon Friday the 1st day of April next.

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

The Lords have passed a Bill intituled An Act to confirm a Provisional Order under the Private Legislation Procedure (Scotland) Act, 1889, relating to the Forth Conservancy; to which the Lords desire the concurrence of this House.

The Forth Conservancy Order Confirmation Bill [Lords] was ordered (under Section 7 of the Private Legislation Procedure (Scotland) Act, 1889) to be taken into consideration to-morrow.

New Member sworn.

William Gillis, Esquire, Member for the County of York, West Riding (Penistone Division), was sworn.

Sir Samuel Roberts reported from the Committee of Selection; That they had discharged the following Members from Standing Committee A:—Lieutenant-Commander Arthur, Mr. William Greenwood, Captain Hotchkiss, Sir Evan Jones, and Mr. Loudale; and had appointed in substitution: Major Birchall, Mr. Bartley Dennis, Mr. Hugh Edwards, Sir William Raeburn, and Mr. Reid.

Sir Samuel Roberts further reported from the Standing Committee; That they had discharged the following Member from Standing Committee A (with respect to the Coal Mines (Decontrol) Bill):—Mr. Gedge; and had appointed in substitution: Captain Fuller.

Ordered, That the Reports do lie upon the Table.

Colonel Burn, supported by Mr. Hind, Mr. Anstey, Sir James Craig, and Major Prescott, presented a Bill to empower local authorities to advertise health resorts and watering places: And the same was ordered to be read a second time upon Monday next; and to be printed.

Sir J. D. Haas presented a Bill to repeal the Parliament Act, 1911: And the same was ordered to be read a second time upon Friday the 1st day of April next; and to be printed.

A Motion was made, and the Question being put, That, on this day, notwithstanding anything in Standing Order No. 15, Business other than the Business of Supply may be taken before Eleven of the clock, and Supplementary Estimates may be considered in Committee of Supply or on Report before or after Eleven of the clock,—(Lord Edmund Talbot);

The House divided.

The Yeas to the Right;

The Noes to the Left.

Tellers for the Yeas, (Captain Guest:)

Mr. Griffiths, Mr. Neil Maclean: 59.

Tellers for the Noes, (Mr. Guest:)

Mr. Reid: 211.

The House divided.

Mr. Cecil Harmsworth reported from the Committee of Supply of the 9th day of this instant March several Resolutions; which were read, as follow:

Civil Services and Revenue Departments Estimates, 1921-22 (Vote on Account),

1. That a sum not exceeding £197,000,000 be granted to His Majesty, on account, for or towards defraying the charges for certain Civil Services and Revenue Departments for the year ending on the 31st day of March 1922, viz:—

Civil Services.

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CLASS II.

Board of Trade  750,000

CLASS I.

Royal Palaces  40,000

Osborne  8,000

Royal Parks and Pleasure Gardens  150,000

Houses of Parliament Buildings  45,000

Miscellaneous Legal Buildings, Great Britain  85,000

Art and Science Buildings, Great Britain  100,000
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Civil Services and Revenue Departments Supplementary Estimates, 1920–21.

Class III.

1. £10 Supplementary, for the Salaries and Expenses of the Lord Advocate’s Department, and other Law Charges, the Salaries and Expenses of the Courts of Law and Justice, and of Pensions Appeals Tribunals in Scotland.

2. £11,500 Supplementary, for the Salaries and Expenses of the Offices in His Majesty’s General Register House, Edinburgh.

Resolutions to be reported.

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

Ordered, That the Report be received to-morrow.

The Deputy Chairman also acquainted the House, that he was directed to move, That the Committee have power to appoint from outside its own body such persons as it may think fit for the purpose of obtaining special expert or scientific information, or advice, upon the subject matter of their order of reference.—(Colonel Gibbs; Lieutenant-Commander Kenworthy)—instead thereof.

And the Question being put, That the word “appoint,” and inserting the words “call, subject to the approval of the Treasury”—(Colonel Gibbs; Lieutenant-Commander Kenworthy)—instead thereof.

And the Question being put, That the word “appoint” stand part of the Question; The House divided.

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

Tellers for the Yeas, Mr. Dudley Ward; Mr. Hodge. Tellers for the Noes, Mr. Neil Maclean.

So it was resolved in the Affirmative.

And the Main Question being put:

Ordered, That the Committee have power to appoint from outside its own body such persons as it may think fit for the purpose of obtaining special expert or scientific information, or advice, upon the subject matter of their order of reference.

The Committee was nominated of Mr. Evelyn Cecil, Major Haywood, Mr. Hodge, Mr. Hoher, Mr. Holmes, General Sir Archibald Hunter, Sir Owen Jones, Mr. Mitchell, Captain Morely, Mr. Perring, Mr. Alexander Richardson, Mr. Rodger, Mr. Royce, and Mr. Waterston.

Railway and Canal Agreements 18,000,000
Treasury Securities Deposits Scheme 400,000
Property Losses (Ireland) Compensation 100,000
Maritime War Services (Foreign Office) 200,000
Coal Mines Deficiency 1,500,000
Export Credits 2,000,000
Prize Claims 25,000
Road Grants Unemployment Relief 1,000,000
Unemployment Grants 1,700,000

Advisory Services.

Colonel Gibbs reported from the Committee on Children [Treasury Contributions] a Resolution; which was read, as follows:

That for the purposes of any Act of the present Session to amend the Children Act, 1908, in respect of the expenses of reformatory and industrial schools, it is expedient to remove the limit which, under section seventy-three of the Children Act, 1908, is imposed on the contribution which is to be made out of moneys provided by Parliament towards the expenses of a child detained in an industrial school on the application of its parents or guardians, and that such removal should have effect as from the first day of April, nineteen hundred and twenty.

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

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

Ordered, That the Bill be now read the third time:—The Bill was accordingly read the third time and passed.

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

The Order of the day being read, for the Ways and Means; Resolved, That this House will, to-morrow, resolve itself into the said Committee.

Ordered, That a Select Committee be appointed to inquire into the organisation and service, administration of the Telephone Service and the method of making charges.—(Colonel Gibbs.)

A Motion was made, and the Question being proposed, That the Committee have power to appoint from outside its own body such persons as it may think fit for the purpose of obtaining special expert or scientific information, or advice, upon the subject matter of their order of reference.—(Colonel Gibbs; Lieutenant-Commander Kenworthy)—instead thereof.

Ordered, That the Committee have power to appoint from outside its own body such persons as it may think fit for the purpose of obtaining special expert or scientific information, or advice, upon the subject matter of their order of reference.
Ordered, That the Committee have power to send for persons, papers, and records.

Ordered, That Five be the quorum of the Committee. (Colonel Gibb.)

Docking of Horses Bill.
The Docking of Horses Bill was, according to Order, read a second time, and committed to a Standing Committee.

Performing Animals (Prohibition) Bill.
The Performing Animals (Prohibition) Bill was, according to Order, read a second time, and committed to a Standing Committee.

Coroners Remuneration Bill.
The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Coroners Remuneration Bill;

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

Adjournment.

And it being after half-past Eleven of the clock, Mr. Deputy Speaker adjourned the House without Question put, till to-morrow.

[11 Geo. V.]

Friday, 11th March 1921.
The House met at Twelve of the clock.

Prayers.

The Order of the day being read, for taking into consideration the Forth Conservancy Order Confirmation Bill [ Lords. ]

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

A Bill to empower the county council of the administrative county of Durham to construct and work tramways; to provide and work trolley vehicles and motor omnibuses; to construct street improvements and to acquire lands for the improvement of highways, and for other purposes, was presented, and read the first time; and ordered to be read a second time.

Cinematograph Act. 1905. No. 52.

Mr. Secretary Shortt presented,—Return to an Address to His Majesty, dated the 1st day of November in the last session of Parliament, for a Return relative to Cinematograph Act, 1905.

Shops Act. 1915.

Mr. Secretary Shortt 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 aforesaid Local Authorities, and confirmed by the Secretary of State for the Home Department:—

City of Bath; Borough of South Shields.

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

Sitting of the House.

Sir Robert Horne presented, by His Majesty's Command,—Copy of Report on the Top-making Trade, prepared by the Sub-Committee on Wool, Tops, and Yarns, appointed by the Standing Committee under the Profiteering Acts on the Investigation of Prices.

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Sir Robert Horne also presented, pursuant to the directions of an Act of Parliament,—Copy of the Report on an application by the Herne Bay Waterworks Company to the Board of Trade, under the Public Utilities Companies (Capital Issues) Act, 1920.

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

Mr. Secretary Montagu presented, by His Majesty's Command,—Copy of further Correspondence between the Secretary of State for India and the Government of India relative to Constitutional Reforms in Burma.

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

Mr. Baldwin presented, by His Majesty's Command,—Copy of the Report of the Director of the National Gallery, Ireland, for 1920.

Copy of Statement showing the Staffs of Staffs Government Departments on 1st February 1921, employed in Government compiled from Returns furnished to the Department.

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

The Prime Minister, supported by Mr. Chan, German Censor of the Exchequer and Sir Robert Horne, presented a Bill to provide for the application of part of the purchase price of imported German goods towards the discharge of the obligations of Germany under the Treaty of Versailles: And the same was ordered to be read a second time upon Monday next; and to be printed.

A Motion was made, and the Question being put, That this House do sit to-morrow—(Lord Baldwin); The House divided.

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

Tellers for the Yeas, Captain Guest: 184.
Tellers for the Noes, Mr. Hughes: 50.

So it was resolved in the Affirmative.

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

(In the Committee.)

Civil Services and Revenue Departments Supplementary Estimates, 1920–21.

Class V.

1. Motion made, and Question proposed, That a Supplementary sum not exceeding £10 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 1921 for the Expenses in connection with His Majesty's Embassies, Missions, and Consular Establishments Abroad, and other Expenditure chargeable to the Consular Vote, including certain Special Grants;

Whereupon Motion made, and Question proposed, That Item K be reduced by £49,000—(Major Christopher Loettcher):—Motion, by leave, withdrawn.

Original Question again proposed:

Whereupon Motion made, and Question put, That Item K be reduced by £6,000—(Major Mackenzie Wood);
The Committee divided.

Tellers for the [Major MacKenzie Wood], 41. 
Yea, [Mr. Money].
Tellers for the [Lord Edmund Talbot], 170.
Noo, [Captain Guest].

Original Question put, and agreed to.

2. Motion made, and Question proposed, That a Supplementary sum not exceeding £45,000 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 1921 for sundry Colonial Services, including certain Grants in Aid:

Whereupon Motion made, and Question proposed, That a sum, not exceeding £44,900, be granted for the said Service—(Mr. Ormsby-Gore):

Whereupon Motion made, and Question put, That the Chairman do report Progress, and ask leave to sit again.—(Lieutenant-Colonel Walter Guinness.)

The Committee divided.

Tellers for the [Lieutenant-Colonel Walter Guinness], 63.
Yea, [Captain Coote]:
Tellers for the [Lord Edmund Talbot], 168.
Noo, [Mr. Dudley Ward]:

Question, That a sum not exceeding £44,900 be granted for the said Service, put, and negatived.

Original Question put, and agreed to.

Class VI.

3. £29,700 Supplementary, for Superannuation, Compensation, Compassionate, and Additional Allowances, and Gratuities under sundry Statutes, for Compassionate Allowances, Gratuities, and Supplementary Pensions awarded by the Treasury, and for the Salaries of Medical Referees.

4. £320,000 Supplementary, for the Expenses of setting up and maintaining certain Organisations for supplying the Necessities of Life during an Emergency.

Unclassified Services.

5. £100 Supplementary, as the British Share of the Advances to be made in respect of German Coal Deliveries.

6. £120,000 for claims by British, Allied, or Neutral third parties against ships or cargoes condemned or detained as Naval Prize.

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 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 10th day of this instant March:

Ordered, That the Report be received to-morrow.

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

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

Whereupon Mr. Deputy Speaker adjourned the House without Question put, pursuant to Standing Order No. 3, it being then a quarter of an hour after Five of the clock, till to-morrow, pursuant to the Resolution of the House of this day.

STANDING COMMITTEES.

Distribution by Mr. Speaker, pursuant to Standing Order No. 47, of Bills committed to a Standing Committee.

Name of Bill. | Standing Committee.
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Docking of Horses Bill - Performing Animals (Prohibition) Bill - | D.

[No. 20.]

Saturday, 12th March 1921.

The House met at Twelve of the clock.

PRAYERS.

Sir Robert Horne presented, pursuant to the directions of an Act of Parliament,—Copy of Report on an application by the Southampton Gaslight and Coke Company to the Board of Trade under the Public Utility Companies (Capital Issues) Act, 1920.

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

Mr. Secretary Shortt presented, pursuant to the directions of an Act of Parliament,—Accounts of the General Medical Council and Branch Councils, and of the Dental Registration Fund, for 1920.

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

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

Civil Services and Revenue Departments Supplementary Estimates, 1920-21.

Unclassified Services.

1. £100 Supplementary, for the Salaries and Expenses of the Ministry of Shipping.

2. Motion made, and Question proposed, That a sum not exceeding £275,000 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 1921 to meet charges arising out of the assimilation of certain existing grades of Civil Servants to new grades:

Whereupon Motion made, and Question proposed, That a sum not exceeding £274,900 be granted for the said Service—(Lieutenant-Colonel Hurst):—Motion, by leave, withdrawn.
Original Question put, and agreed to.

Revenue Departments.

3. £880,000 Supplementary, for the Salaries and Expenses of the Inland Revenue Department. Resolutions to be reported.

Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair; and the Chairman of Ways and Means reported, That the Committee, in pursuance of 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.

Lord Edmund Talbot reported from the Committee of Supply of the 10th day of this instant March, several Resolutions; which were read, as follow:

Civil Services and Revenue Departments Supplementary Estimates, 1920-21.

Class II.

1. That a Supplementary sum not exceeding £10 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 1921 for the Salaries and Expenses of the Lord Advocate's Department, and other Law Charges, the Salaries and Expenses of the Courts of Law and Justice, and of Pensions Appeals Tribunals in Scotland.

2. That a Supplementary sum not exceeding £11,500 be granted to His Majesty, to defray the charge which will come in course of payment during the year ending on the 31st day of March 1921 for the Salaries and Expenses of the Offices in His Majesty's General Register House, Edinburgh.

The First Resolution being read a second time;

And a Motion being made, and the Question being proposed, That this House doth agree with the Committee in the said Resolution: — And a Debate arising thereupon;

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

Ordered, That the Debate be resumed upon Monday next.

Ordered, That the Second Resolution be taken into consideration upon Monday next.

The Order of the day being read, for the Committee of Ways and Means;—Resolved, That this House will, upon Monday next, resolve itself into the said Committee.

The Order of the day being read, for receiving the Report from the Committee of Supply of the 11th day of this instant March;—

Ordered, That the Report be received upon Monday next.

Indian Affairs.

Ordered, That the Lords' Message of the 9th day of this instant March relating to the appointment of a Committee on Indian Affairs be now taken into consideration.—(Colonel Gibbs.)

The House accordingly proceeded to take the said Message into consideration.

Ordered, That a Select Committee of Eleven Members be appointed to join with a Committee appointed by the Lords as a Standing Joint Committee on Indian Affairs, as mentioned in their Lordships' Message of the 9th day of this instant March.—(Colonel Gibbs.)

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

The Committee was nominated of Mr. Acland, Sir Thomas Bennett, Sir Henry Craik, Major Glyn, Mr. Ormsby-Gore, Sir William Joyce-Hicks, Sir J. D. Rees, Mr. Spoer, Sir Charles Townshend, Colonel Wedgwood, and Mr. Hilton Young.

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

Ordered, That Five be the quorum of the Committee.—(Colonel Gibbs.)

Resolved, That this House do now adjourn.— Adjournment. (Colonel Sir Robert Sanders.)

And accordingly the House, having continued to sit till twenty minutes after Four of the clock, adjourned till Monday next.

[No. 21.]

Monday, 14th March 1921.

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

PRAYERS.

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

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

Sir Philip Lloyd-Greame presented a Bill to Pilotage Board of Trade under the Pilotage Act, 1913,

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

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

Copy of Seventieth Report of the Church Estates Commissioners for the year preceding the 1st March 1921.

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

Mr. Arthur Balfour presented, pursuant to College Charter directions of an Act of Parliament, — Copy of Petition of the University College, Reading, under the College Charter Act, 1871, praying for the grant of a Charter for the incorporation of a University in Reading by the name and style of "The University of Reading," together with a copy of the Draft of the Charter applied for.

Ordered, That the said Paper do lie upon the Table.
54 14th March. 1921.

Sir Robert Horne presented, by His Majesty's Command,—Copy of Report on Light Castings prepared by a Sectional Committee of the Sub-Committee on Building Materials, appointed by the Standing Committees on the Investigation of Prices and Trusts, under the Profiteering Acts.

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

Bankruptcy Courts (Ireland.)

Sir Hanan Greenwood 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 1920.

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

County Officers and Courts (Ireland) Act, 1877.

Copy of Order as to Solicitors' Costs, dated 1st July 1920, under the County Officers and Courts (Ireland) Act, 1877.

Supreme Court of Judicature Act (Ireland) 1877.

Copy of Order as to Solicitors' Costs, dated 22nd July 1920, under the Supreme Court of Judicature Act (Ireland), 1877.

Solicitors' Remuneration Act, 1881.

Copy of General Order, under the Solicitors' Remuneration Act, 1881, dated 15th November 1920, relating to Solicitors' Remuneration in Ireland.

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

Flax Production.

Lord Edmund Talbot presented, by His Majesty's Command,—Copy of Final Report of the Flax Production Branch of the Ministry of Agriculture and Fisheries.

Ordered, 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 arrest and imprisonment of a Member:—

The Right Honourable the Speaker,  
House of Commons,  
London, S.W.1.

Sir, 10th March 1921.

I have the honour to report that on the ninth day of March 1921, Mr. John Joseph Kelly, M.P. for Louth, was arrested under a direction issued by me as Competent Military Authority under the Defence of the Realm Regulations, and was committed to His Majesty's prison, Marlborough Hall.

I have the honour to be,  
Sir,  
Your obedient Servant,  
G. P. Boyd,  
Competent Military Authority.

Mr. Speaker acquainted the House that he had received a letter from Sir Courtenay Peregrine Ilbert, G.C.B., G.O.B., C.I.E., the Clerk of the House, which Mr. Speaker read as follows:—

Speaker's Court,  
12th March 1921.

I have the honour to acquaint you that, after 19 years' service in the House of Commons, I find myself compelled, by age and infirmities, to tender my resignation of the office of Clerk of the House. I desire that my resignation should take effect as from the end of this month.

It will be with great regret that I shall close a chapter of my life which has brought me many interesting experiences and many valuable friendships, and I desire to take this opportunity of expressing my gratitude to you, Sir, to the Ministers of the Crown, to the other Members of the House of Commons, and to my colleagues on the staff of the House for the uniform courtesy and kindness which I have received from them during the whole of my term of office.

My last three predecessors were able to say, when leaving office, that they had spent the whole of their official lives in the service of this House. I cannot make that claim.

But my intimate association with legislative work, in this country and in India, has now extended over a period of more than fifty years, and I may perhaps be permitted to say that I have, I believe, longer experience than any man living in the technical work of legislation.

The Parliament which sits at Westminster is the oldest legislature in the world. It has succeeded better than any other legislature in reconciling ancient forms and usages with modern needs. It has been the working model for every other legislature that exists. I feel pride in having been associated, in however modest a capacity, with its legislative work, and my earnest prayer is that it may long continue to maintain its dignity and usefulness.

I am, Sir,  
Your obedient Servant,  
C. P. ILBERT.

The Right Honourable  
The Speaker.

The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the German Reparation (Recovery) 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. Bottomley.)

And the Question being put, That the word "now" stand part of the Question:—The House proceeded to a Division.

Lord Edmund Talbot and Mr. Dudley Ward were appointed Tellers for the Ayes, and Teller for the Noes. Lieutenant-Commander Kenworthy was appointed Teller for the Noes; but no Member being willing to act as the second Teller for the Noes, Mr. Speaker declared that the Ayes had it.

The Bill was read a second time.

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

—(Mr. Chancellor of the Exchequer.)

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

(In the Committee.)

Civil Services and Revenue Departments

Supplementary Estimates, 1920-21.

Revenue Departments.

£5,672,500 (Supplementary) for the Salaries and Expenses of the Post Office, including Telegraphs and Telephones.

Resolution to be reported.

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

—(Mr. Chancellor of the Exchequer.)

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

(In the Committee.)

Civil Services and Revenue Departments

Supplementary Estimates, 1920-21.

Revenue Departments.

£5,672,500 (Supplementary) for the Salaries and Expenses of the Post Office, including Telegraphs and Telephones.

Resolution to be reported.

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

Ordered, That the Report be received to-morrow.

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

Recessed, That this House will, to-morrow, again resolve itself into the said Committee.
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The Order of the day being read, for resum- during the year ending on the 31st day of March ing the Adjourned Debate on the Question 1921 for the Expenses in connection with His proposed upon the 12th day of this instant March, Majesty's Embassies, Missions, and Consular That this House doth agree with the Committee Establishments Abroad, and other Expenditure in the matter of the Resolutions which were then chargeable to the Consular Vote, including reported from the Committee of Supply of the certain Special Grants.

10th day of this instant March, which Resolution was, That a Supplementary sum not exceeding £10 be granted to His Majesty, to defray the charge which will come in course of payment during the year ending upon the 31st day of March 1921 for the Salaries and Expenses of the Lord Advocate's Department, and other Law Charges, the Salaries and Expenses of the Courts of Law and Justice, and of Pension Appeals Tribunals in Scotland.

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

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

The House, according to Order, proceeded to take into consideration the Second of the Resolutions which, upon the 12th day of this instant March, were reported from the Committee of Supply of the 10th day of this instant March, which Resolution was, That a Supplementary sum not exceeding £1,150 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 1921 for the Salaries and Expenses of the Offices in His Majesty's General Register House, Edinburgh.

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

Class V.

Lord Edmund Talbot reported from the Committee of Supply of the 12th day of this instant March several Resolutions; which were read, as follow:

Civil Services and Revenue Departments

1. That a Supplementary sum not exceeding £100 be granted to His Majesty, to defray the charge which will come in course of payment during the year ending on the 31st day of March 1921 for the Salaries and Expenses of the Ministry of Shipping.

2. That a sum not exceeding £275,000 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 1921 for certain Special Grants.

Revenue Departments.

3. That a Supplementary sum not exceeding £80,000 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 1921 for the Salaries and Expenses of the Inland Revenue Department.

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

Colonel Sir Robert Sanders reported from the Committee of Supply of the 11th day of this instant March several Resolutions; which were read, as follow:

Civil Services and Revenue Departments

Class V.

1. That a Supplementary sum not exceeding £10 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 1921 for the Expenses in connection with His Majesty's Embassies, Missions, and Consular Establishments Abroad, and other Expenditure chargeable to the Consular Vote, including certain Special Grants.

2. That a Supplementary sum not exceeding £45,000 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 1921 for the Salaries and Expenses of the Lord Advocate's Department, and other Law Charges, the Salaries and Expenses of the Courts of Law and Justice, and of Pension Appeals Tribunals in Scotland.

3. That a Supplementary sum not exceeding £22,700 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 1921 for the Expenses of setting up and maintaining certain Organisations for supplying the Necessities of Life during an Emergency.

4. That a Supplementary sum not exceeding £320,000 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 1921 for the Salaries and Expenses of the Inland Revenue Department.

5. That a Supplementary sum not exceeding £275,000 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 1921 for the Salaries and Expenses of the Ministry of Shipping.

6. That a sum not exceeding £220,000 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 1921 for the Expenses of setting up and maintaining certain Organisations for supplying the Necessities of Life during an Emergency.

Unclassified Services.

7. That a Supplementary sum not exceeding £100 be granted to His Majesty, to defray the charge which will come in course of payment during the year ending on the 31st day of March 1921 for the Expenses of the Ministry of Shipping.

5. That a Supplementary sum not exceeding £120,000 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 1921 for the Expenses of the Ministry of Munitions.

8. That a sum not exceeding £220,000 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 1921 for the Expenses of the Ministry of Shipping.

9. That a Supplementary sum not exceeding £220,000 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 1921 for the Expenses of the Ministry of Munitions.

The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Police Pensions Bill; Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time.

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

The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Police Pensions Bill; Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time.

Resolved, That it is expedient that a tribunal be established to inquire into a definite matter of urgent public importance, namely, the allegations that on a recent occasion an official of the Ministry of Munitions instructed certain persons employed in the service of the Ministry to destroy material documents or to conceal them from the Exchequer and Audit Department; and to inquire into and report upon the circumstances surrounding this alleged instruction.— (Colonel Sir Robert Sanders.)

The Health Reserves and Watering Places Bill was, according to Order, read a second time, and committed to a Standing Committee.
The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Coroners (Remuneration) Bill;

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

Adjournment.

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 three minutes before Twelve of the clock, till to-morrow.

[No. 22.]

Tuesday, 15th March 1921.

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

PRAYERS.

Mr. Speaker laid upon the Table,—Report from one of the Examiners of Petitions for Private Bills, That in the case of the following Bill, on the Second Reading thereof, the Standing Orders not previously inquired into, which are applicable thereto, have been complied with, viz.:

Sunderland and South Shields Water Bill.

Ordered, That the Bill be committed.

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.:

Liverpool Mineral and Metal Storage Company (Delivery Warrants) Bill [Lords].

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time.

The Grampian Electricity Supply Bill was read a second time, and committed.

Mr. Secretary Churchill presented, by His Majesty's Command,—Copy of Report of the Grampian Electricity Supply Bill.

West African Currency Board.

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

Colonial Reports (Annual.)

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

Diseases of Animals Acts.

Lord Edmund Talbot presented, pursuant to the directions of several Acts of Parliament,—Copy of Order, dated 5th March 1921, made by the Minister of Agriculture and Fisheries under the Diseases of Animals Acts, entitled the Glasgow (Merklands Farm) Order, 1921.

Agriculture Act, 1920.

Copy of Draft Agricultural Improvement Regulations, 1921, made by the Minister of Agriculture and Fisheries under the Agriculture Act, 1920.

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

Mr. Attorney General presented, pursuant to Standing Order 175d.—Copy of Report by the Attorney General on the Liverpool Corporation Bill [Lords].
The Lords propose that the Standing Joint Committee on Indian Affairs do meet in Committee Room A, on Thursday the 17th day of March, at Eleven of the clock.

The Chatham and District Light Railways Company Bill [Lords] was read the first time.

The South Metropolitan Gas Bill [Lords] was read the first time.

The House proceeded to take so much of the Lords' Message of this day as relates to the place and time of meeting of the Joint Committee on Indian Affairs into consideration.

Ordered, That the Committee appointed by this House do meet the Lords' Committee as proposed by their Lordships.—(Lord Edmund Talbot.)

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

Sir Samuel Roberts reported from the Committee of Selection; That they had nominated the following Members to serve on Standing Committee B:—Lieutenant-Colonel Allen, Captain Bagley, Sir William Barton, Mr. James Bell, Mr. Betterson, Sir Francis Blyth, Captain Bonner, Major Breese, Mr. Brian, Mr. James Brunton, Mr. Willian Carter, Mr. Neville Chamberlain, Captain Cote, Mr. Alfred Davies, Sir Joseph Davies, Mr. Gratian Doyle, Mr. Charles Edwards, Major Forgythson, Sir Arthur Fell, Mr. Galbraith, Mr. Gange, Mr. Gardiner, Captain Gee, Mr. Grant, Mr. Frederick Green, Mr. Grundy, Mr. Hallas, Mr. Hard, Lieutenant-Colonel James, Mr. John, Mr. Lombe, Sir Philip Magnus, Mr. Mallaties, Major-Watts Morgan, Lieutenant-Colonel Arthur Murray, Sir Charles Oman, Mr. Ormsby-Gore, Mr. Bentnee, Mr. Sidney Robinson, Colonel Sir Alexander Sprag, Mr. Taylor, Mr. Wallace, Sir Courtrayty Warner, Colonel Wengwood, Mr. Charles White, Lieutenant-Colonel Datrymple White, Colonel Percy Williams, Mr. James Wilson, Mr. Tyson Wilson, and Major Mocknzie Wood.

Sir Samuel Roberts further reported from the Committee; That they had discharged the following Member from Standing Committee A:—Mr. Hugh Edwards; and had appointed in substitution: Sir Ewan Jones.

Sir Samuel Roberts further reported from the Committee; That they had discharged the following Member from the Parliamentary Panel under the Private Legislation Procedure (Scotland) Act, 1899:—Mr. William Young; and had appointed in substitution: Lieutenant-Colonel Arthur Murray.

Ordered, That the Reports do lie upon the Table.

Resolved, nemine contradicente, That Mr. Sir Courtenay Peregrine Ibert, M.P., Mr. Sir Donald Moir, M.P., Mr. Sir Courtenay Peregrine Ibert, M.P., Mr. Sir Donald Moir, M.P., be granted for the said Service—(Sir Donald Moir, M.P.)—Debate arising:

Lord Edmund Talbot rose in his place and claimed to move, That the Question be now put.
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.

The Order of the day being read, for the German Reparation (Recovery) Bill:

Resolved, That this House will, this day, resolve itself into the said Committee.

The Order of the day being read, for the Police Pensions Second Reading of the Police Pensions Bill:

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

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 twenty-eight minutes after Twelve of the clock on Wednesday morning, till this day.

STANDING COMMITTEES.

Distribution by Mr. Speaker, pursuant to Standing Order No. 47, of Bills committed to a Standing Committee.

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[No. 23.]

Wednesday, 16th March 1921.

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

PRAYERS.

ORDERED, That the Durham County Durham Transport Bill be read a second time to-morrow.

The Order of the day being read, for the Lee Second Reading of the Lee Conservancy Bill:

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

The Order of the day being read, for the Metropolitan Second Reading of the Metropolitan Water Board (Charges) Bill:

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

The Order of the day being read, for the Metropolitan Second Reading of the Metropolitan Water Board (Various Powers) Bill:

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

The Order of the day being read, for the Thames Second Reading of the Thames Conservancy Bill:

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

The Pilotage 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.


Copy of Report of the Imperial Shipping Committee on the Limitation of Shipowners' Liability by Clause in Bills of Lading, and on certain other matters relating to Bills of Lading.

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

Mr. Cecil Harmsworth presented, by His Majesty's Command,—Copy of the Franco-British Convention of 4th March, 1920 on certain points connected with the Mandates for Syria, the Lebanon, Palestine and Mesopotamia.

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

Mr. Baldwin presented, pursuant to the directions of an Act of Parliament,—Copy of Appropriation Account of the sum granted by the Franco-British Shipping Issues) Act, 1920.

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

Mr. Secretary Shortt presented, pursuant to the directions of an Act of Parliament,—Copy of Order made under the Public Utility Companies (Capital Issues) Act, 1920.

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

Mr. Addison, supported by Mr. Secretary Public Health (Tuberculosis) Shortt, presented a Bill to make further provision with respect to arrangements by local authorities for the treatment of tuberculosis: 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 German Reparation (Recovery) Bill.

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

Mr. Secretary Shortt presented, pursuant to the directions of an Act of Parliament,—Copy of Report on an application by the Bognor Gas Light and Coke Company to the Board of Trade under the Public Utility Companies (Capital Issues) Act, 1920.

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

Mr. Salisbury presented, pursuant to the directions of an Act of Parliament,—Copy of Appropriation Account of the sum granted by Parliament to defray the salaries and expenses of the Ministry of Shipping during the year ended 31st March, 1920, with the Report of the Comptroller and Auditor-General thereon.

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

Mr. Secretary Shortt 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:

Borough of Bootle:

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

Resolved, That an humble Address be presented to His Majesty, that He will be graciously pleased to give directions that there be laid before this House a Return of Copy of Minute by the Secretary of State for India stating the circumstances under which an officer recently belonging to his permanent establishment but now on the establishment of the High Commission for India has been retained in the service after he has attained the age of 65,—(Mr. Secretary Montagu.)

Mr. Rendall, supported by Mr. Neville Chamberlain, Viscount Curzon, Major Glyn, Mr. Hogge, and Mr. Charles White, presented a Bill to amend the law relating to marriage with a deceased brother's widow: And the same was ordered to be read a second time upon Wednesday next; and to be printed.

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Another Amendment proposed, in p. 1, l. 12, at the end, to insert the words—

"Provided that nothing in this Act shall apply to any goods imported in pursuance of a contract entered into before the eighth day of March, nineteen hundred and twenty-one."—(Colonel Barnby.)

Question put, That those words be there inserted:

The Committee divided.

Tellers for the [Sir Frederick Banbury.] 3.

Tellers for the [Lord Edmund Talbot, Noes, Mr. Dudley Ward : ] 265.

Another Amendment made.

Another Amendment proposed, in p. 1, l. 25, at the end, to add the words—

"Provided that such moneys shall only be applied towards the discharge of such obligations after it has been declared by an Order in Council that Germany has made satisfactory arrangements to repay to the exporter of German goods an amount equivalent to that collected by the Commissioners from the importer and such order shall be withdrawn if Germany at any time takes any action to discourage exports to any Allied Power, and, pending the application of such Order in Council, such moneys shall be used to discharge the obligations of Germany to the United Kingdom only."—(Lieutenant-Colonel Walter Guinness.)

Question put, That those words be there added:

The Committee divided.

Tellers for the [Colonel Wedgwood, Yeas, Lieutenant-Commander Kenworthy : ] 3.

Tellers for the [Lord Edmund Talbot, Noes, Mr. Dudley Ward : ] 265.

Clause, as amended, agreed to.

Clause No. 2 (Goods to which Act applies).

Amendment proposed, in p. 2, l. 2, to leave out the word "first," in order to insert the word "directly."—(Mr. Inskip.)

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

Another Amendment proposed, in p. 2, l. 4, to leave out the word "Germany" to the end of l. 8.—(Major Barnes.)

Question, That the words proposed to be left out, to the word "where" in l. 5, stand part of the Clause, put, and agreed to.

Another Amendment proposed, in p. 2, l. 5, to leave out the word "twenty-five," in order to insert the word "ten."—(Lieutenant-Commander Kenworthy.)

Question, That the word "twenty-five" stand part of the Clause, put, and agreed to.

Another Amendment proposed, in p. 2, l. 13, at the end, to add the words "or for exportation after undergoing any further process of manufacture."—(Major MacKenzie Wood.)

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

Another Amendment proposed, in p. 2, l. 13, at the end to add the words—

"Provided also that this Act shall not apply to goods wholly manufactured by persons or firms of British nationality where the whole, or substantially the whole, of the process or manufacture has been created by them."—(Colonel Barnby.)

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

Clause agreed to.

Clause No. 3 (Supplemental Provisions).

Another Amendment proposed, in p. 2, to leave out lines 21 to 31.—(Lieutenant-Commander Kenworthy.)

Question, That the words proposed to be left out to the word "such," in l. 25, stand part of the Clause, put, and agreed to.

Another Amendment proposed, in p. 2, l. 26, to leave out from the second word "be" to the first word "the" in l. 30.—(Mr. Inskip.)

Question, That the words proposed to be left out, to the word "free," in l. 39, stand part of the Clause, put, and agreed to.

Other Amendments made.

Another Amendment proposed, in p. 3, l. 16, at the end to add the words—

"Provided that any importer who is dissatisfied with the decision of the Commissioners under this subsection may appeal to a committee constituted as hereafter provided whose decision shall be final."—(Mr. Kiley.)

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

Clause, as amended, agreed to.

Clause No. 4 (Power of Court to vary contracts).

Amendment proposed, in p. 3, l. 17, to leave out the words "eighth day of March," in order to insert the words "date of the passing of this Act."—(Lieutenant-Commander Kenworthy.)

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

Another Amendment proposed, in p. 3, l. 23, to leave out the word "serious."—(Mr. Kiley.)

Question, That the word "serious" stand part of the Clause, put, and agreed to.

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Another Amendment proposed in p. 3, l. 32, at the end, to insert the words—

"Provided that, if the court amends, suspends, annuls, or stays any proceedings for the enforcement of the contract, or any term thereof, or any rights arising thereunder, the costs of the application shall be deducted from any amount payable by the applicant under section one of this Act."—(Mr. Kiley.)

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

Clause agreed to.

Clause No. 5 (Power of Board of Trade to grant relaxations on recommendations of Committee).

Amendment proposed, in p. 4, l. 1, to leave out from the word "order" to the word "exempt," in l. 5.—(Major Entwistle.)

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

An Amendment made.

Another Amendment proposed, in p. 4, l. 14, at the end, to insert the words—

"Every such order shall be laid before each House of Parliament forthwith, and if an address
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is presented to His Majesty within twenty-one days on which that House has sat next after any such order is laid before it praying that the order may be annulled, His Majesty in Council may annul the order, and it shall henceforth be void, but without prejudice to the validity of anything previously done thereunder."—(Mr. Killey.)

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

Another Amendment made.

Another Amendment proposed, in p. 4, l. 17, at the end, to add the words—

"The names and qualifications of such persons shall be laid before Parliament for a period of fourteen days before they shall have power to act."—(Major Entwistle.)

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

Another Amendment proposed, in p. 4, l. 17, at the end, to add the words,—

"No person on any committee shall advise in respect of any articles imported by him."—(Major Entwistle.)

Question proposed, That those words be there added:—Amendment proposed to the proposed Amendment, after the word "imported," to insert the words "or manufactured."—(Lieutenant-Commander Kenworthy.)

Question proposed, That the words "or manufactured" be there inserted:—Amendment, by leave, withdrawn.

Proposed words there added.

Question put, That the Clause, as amended, stand part of the Bill.

The Committee divided.

Tellers for the [Lord Edmund Talbot,] 132.
Yes, [Mr. Dudley Ward: ]
Tellers for the [Major Barnes,] 26.
Noes, [Mr. Lyle Samuel : ]

Clause No. 6 (Power to suspend Act).

Amendment proposed, in p. 4, l. 18, to leave out the words "both Houses," in order to insert the words "the Commons House."—(Mr. Griffiths.)

Question put, That the words "both Houses" stand part of the Clause.

The Committee divided.

Tellers for the [Lord Edmund Talbot,] 123.
Yes, [Mr. Dudley Ward: ]
Tellers for the [Mr. Griffiths,] 28.
Noes, [Mr. Tyson Wilson: ]

Amendments made.

Clause, as amended, agreed to.

Clause No. 7 agreed to.

A Clause (Continuance of Act)—(Lieutenant-Commander Kenworthy)—brought up, and read the first time.

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

Schedule 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 taken into consideration this day; and be printed.

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

(In the Committee.)

Civil Services Supplementary Estimates, 1920-21.

Unclassified Services.

£1,000,000 for Grants to Local Authorities, &c., in the United Kingdom for assistance in carrying out approved schemes of useful work to relieve Unemployment.

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 this day.

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, this day, again resolve itself into the said Committee.

 Colonel Sir Robert Stander reported from the Supply Committee of Supply of the 15th day of this instant March several Resolutions; which were read, as follow:

Army Estimates, 1921-22.

1. That a number of Land Forces not exceeding 341,000, 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 1922.

2. That a sum not exceeding £45,000,000 be voted on to His Majesty, on account, for defraying the charges for Army Services which will come in course of payment during the year ending on the 31st day of March 1922.

3. That a sum not exceeding £6,835,607 be voted on to His Majesty's Indian Possessions, for Army Expenditure beyond the Grants for the year ending on the 31st day of March 1920.

Civil Services Supplementary Estimates, 1920-21.

Unclassified Services.

4. That a Supplementary sum not exceeding £100 be granted to His Majesty, to defray the Munitions charge which will come in course of payment during the year ending on the 31st day of March 1921 for the salaries and expenses of the Ministry of Munitions.
The said Resolutions, being read a second time, were agreed to.

Coal Mines (Decontrol) Bill.

The Order of the day being read, for taking into consideration the Coal Mines (Decontrol) Bill, not amended in the Standing Committee:

Ordered, That the Bill be taken into consideration this day.

Ways and Means.

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

Received, That this House will, this day, resolve itself into the said Committee.

Adjournment.

And it being after half past Eleven of the clock on Wednesday evening, Mr. Deputy Speaker adjourned the House without Question put, pursuant to the Standing Order, it being then ten minutes after Two of the clock on Thursday morning, till this day.

[No. 24.]

Thursday, 17th March 1921.

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

PRAYERS.

Mr. Speaker laid upon the Table,—Report from one of the Examiners of Petitions for Private Bills, That in the case of the following Bills, referred on the Second Reading thereof, the Standing Orders not previously inquired into, which are applicable thereto, have been complied with, viz.:—

Swansea Gas Bill.
Cardiff Gas Bill.

Ordered, That the Bills be committed.

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.:—

Chatham and District Light Railways Company Bill [Lords].

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time.

The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Durham County Transport Bill:

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

The London County Council (General Powers) Bill was, according to Order, read a second time, and committed.

The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Metropolitan Water Board (Various Powers) Bill:

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

The Order of the day being read, for taking into consideration the Fourth Conservancy Order Confirmation Bill [Lords].

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

Mr. Arthur Balfour presented, pursuant to the directions of an Act of Parliament,—Copy of Amendment of Rule 15 of the Devolution Rules made under Section 45a of the Government of India Act.

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

Mr. Secretary Montagu presented, pursuant to the directions of an Act of Parliament,—Copy of Amendment of Rule 15 of the Devolution Rules made under Section 45a of the Government of India Act.

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

Mr. Baldwin presented, by His Majesty's Protesting Command,—Copy of Final Report on the Simon, Brick, and Clayware Trades prepared by a Sectional Committee of the Sub-committee on Building Materials appointed by the Standing Committees under the Protesting Acts on the investigation of Prices and Trusts.

Copy of Return relating to all authorised Gas Undertakings in the United Kingdom belonging to local authorities for the year ended 31st March 1920.

Copy of Draft of Special Order proposed to be made by the Board of Trade under the Gas Act, 1920, Regulation Act, 1920, on the application of the Swansea Gas Light Company.

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

Mr. Baldwin presented, pursuant to the directions of several Acts of Parliament,—Copy of (Appropriation Account of the Navy for 1919–20, with the Report of the Comptroller and Auditor General thereon, and upon the Store Accounts of the Navy.

Account of the Receipts and Disbursements during the year ended 31st March 1920.

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

Ordered, That there be laid before this House, West India a Copy of Agreement, dated the 14th day of March 1931, between His Majesty's Govern- ment and the West India and Panama Telegraph Company, Limited, supplemental to the Agree- ment, dated the 10th day of August 1914, entered into between His Majesty's Government, the Government of the Dominion of Canada, the Crown Agents for the Colonies, and the West India and Panama Company, Limited (H.C. 447); together with Copy of the Treasury Minute thereon.—(Mr. Baldwin.)

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

The Lords have passed a Bill, intituled An Act to make provision for the cessation of the Ministries of Munitions and the Ministry of (Cabinet) (Communication) to which the Lords desire the concurrence of this House.

The Lords have passed a Bill, intituled An Act to extend the time for the completion of the bridge over the River Thames between Blackfriars and Southwark Bridges to which the Lords desire the concurrence of this House.
The House accordingly resolved itself into the Committee of Supply.

(In the Committee.)

Navy Estimates, 1921—22.

1. Motion made, and Question proposed, That 125,000 Officers, Seamen, and Boys be maintained for the said Service—(Sir Evan Jones) — Motion, by leave, withdrawn.

Original Question put, and agreed to.

2. £18,314,000, Wages, &c., of Officers, Seamen, and Boys, Coast Guard, and Royal Marines.

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A Motion was made, and the Question being proposed, that the Bill be now read the third time;

An Amendment was proposed to be made to the Question, by leaving out the word "now" and, at the end of the Question, adding the words "upon this day six months."—Mr. Cupp.

And the Question being proposed, that the word "now" stand part of the Question:

And a Debate arising thereupon;

Lord Edmund Talbot rose in his place and claimed to move, that the Question be now put; but Mr. Speaker withheld his assent, and declined then to put that Question:—Then the House resumed the Debate.

Lord Edmund Talbot rose in his place and claimed to move, that the Question be now put.

And the Question being put, that the Question be now put:

The House divided.

The Yeas to the Right;

The Noes to the Left.

Tellers for the [Lord Edmund Talbot, 108.

Tellers for the [Mr. Dudley Ward; 41.

So it was resolved in the Affirmative.

And the Question being accordingly put, that the word "now" stand part of the Question:

The House divided.

The Yeas to the Right;

The Noes to the Left.

Tellers for the [Lord Edmund Talbot, 107.

Tellers for the [Mr. Fred Hall; 42.

So it was resolved in the Affirmative.

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 Order of the day being read, for receiving the Report from the Committee of Supply of the 16th day of this instant March;

Ordered, That the Report be received this day.

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

Resolved, That this House will, this day, resolve itself into the said Committee.

The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Public Health (Tuberculosis) Bill;

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time this day.

The Order of the day being read, for taking into consideration the German Reparation (Recovery) Bill, as amended in the Committee;

Ordered, That the Bill be taken into consideration this day.

Mr. Baldwin presented,—Return to an Order, dated the 17th day of this instant March, for a Return relative to West India and Panama Telegraph Company, Limited.

No. 58.
Mr. Speaker acquainted the House, That a
Message from the Lords. Message had been brought from the Lords by one of their Clerks, as follows:

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

Children Bill.

SIR PARK GOFF reported from the Committee on Group A of Private Bills; That, for the convenience of parties, the Committee had adjourned till Tuesday next, at half-past Eleven of the clock.

Ordered, That the Report do lie upon the Table.

Private Bills (Group A.)

A Motion was made, and the Question being put, That this House do sit to-morrow—(Lord Edmund Talbot);

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

Tellers for the—Lord Edmund Talbot, Mr. Dudley Ward: 135.

Tellers for the—Mr. Tyson Wilson, Mr. Griffiths: 16.

So it was resolved in the Affirmative.

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

Supply.

(In the Committee.)

Civil Services Supplementary Estimates, 1920-21.

Unclassified Services.

Motion made, and Question proposed, That a Supplementary sum not exceeding £800,000 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 1921 to meet such of the charges for War Bonus, &c., as have not been otherwise provided:

Whereupon Motion made, and Question proposed, That a sum, not exceeding £700,000, be granted for the said Service—(Sir Henry Craik):

—Debate arising;

Lord Edmund Talbot rose in his place and claimed to move, That the Question be now put.

Question, That the Question be now put, put, and agreed to.

Question put accordingly, That a sum, not exceeding £700,000, be granted for the said Service.

The Committee divided.

Tellers for the—Sir Henry Craik, 39.

Tellers for the—Lord Edmund Talbot, 183.

Original Question put, and agreed to.

Resolution to be reported.

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

Ordered, That the Report be received to-morrow.

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

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

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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 [Dr. Murray, Yeas, | Mr. Newbold]; | 35.
Tellers for the [Lord Edmund Talbot, Noes, | Mr. Dudley Ward]; | 169.

So it passed in the Negative.

Then Amendments were made to the Bill.

Another Amendment was proposed to be made to the Bill, in p. 3, l. 27, by inserting after the words last inserted, the words,—

"(5) Where it is proved to the satisfaction of the Commissioners that the importer has a privity of contract or warranty in respect of the goods in question he shall, unless the amount, if any, payable in respect of such claim is settled, and if the amount so settled cannot be recovered in any other way, shall be refunded to the importer by the Commissioners."—(Mr. Kiley.)

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 proposed, That the Bill be now read the third time;

An Amendment was proposed to be made to the Question, by leaving out from the word "That" to the end of the Question, and adding the words "whilst desirous of securing just reparation from Germany, this House cannot assent to legislation of a character which does not represent a common policy on the part of the Allies, which would only result in injury to British trade and an increase in the volume of unemployment, and which has been introduced before a sufficient effort has been made to secure a settlement, by agreement or, through the aid of the League of Nations or other impartial tribunal, to ascertain the extent of Germany's capacity to pay,"—(Mr. Clynes)—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 [Lord Edmund Talbot, Yeas, | Mr. Dudley Ward]; | 132.
Tellers for the [Mr. Tyson Wilson, Noes, | Mr. Griffiths]; | 15.

So it was resolved in the Affirmative.

The Bill was read the third time and passed.

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

Colonel Sir Robert Sanders reported from the Committee of Supply of the 17th day of this instant March several Resolutions; which were read, as follow:

Navy Estimates, 1921-22.

1. That 123,700 Officers, Seamen, and Boys, Coast Guard, and Royal Marines be employed for the Sea and Coast Guard Services borne on Sea and Coast the books of His Majesty's Ships and at the Guard Services.

Royal Marine Divisions for the year ending on the 31st day of March 1922.

2. That a sum not exceeding £18,314,000 Wages, &c., be granted to His Majesty, to defray the Expense of Wages, &c., of 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 1922.

Navy (Excesses), 1919-20.

3. That a sum not exceeding £100 be granted Navy (Excesses), Expenditure beyond the Grants for the year ended on the 31st day of March 1920.

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

Ordered, That the Resolution which upon the 2nd 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 a number of Air Forces not exceeding 30,880, all ranks, be maintained for the Service of the United Kingdom of Great Britain and Ireland at Home and Abroad, exclusive of those serving in India, during the year ending on the 31st day of March 1922."

Ordered, That the Resolution which upon the 16th 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 a number of Land Forces not exceeding 341,000 of all ranks, be maintained for the Service of the United Kingdom of Great Britain and Ireland at Home and Abroad, exclusive of those serving in India, during the year ending on the 31st day of March 1922."

Ordered, That leave be given to bring in a Bill to provide during Twelve Months for the Discipline and Regulation of the Army and Air Force; and that Secretary Sir Laming Worthington-Evans, Mr. Secretary Churchill, and Colonel Sir James Craig do prepare and bring it in.

Colonel Sir James Craig accordingly presented a Bill to provide, during Twelve Months, for the Discipline and Regulation of the Army and Air Force: And the said Bill was read the first time, and ordered to be read a second time to-morrow; and to be printed.

Colonel Sir Robert Sanders reported from the Supply Committee of Supply of the 18th day of this instant March, a Resolution; which was read, as followeth:

Civil Services Supplementary Estimates, 1920-21.

Unclassified Services.

That a sum not exceeding £1,000,000 be Unemployed, granted to His Majesty, to defray the charges which will come in course of payment during the year ending on the 31st day of March 1921 for Grants to Local Authorities, &c., in the United Kingdom for assistance in carrying out approved schemes of useful work to relieve unemployment.

The said Resolution, being read a second time, was agreed to.
The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Ministries of Munitions and Shipping (Cessation) Bill [Lords];

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

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

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

The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Public Health (Tuberculosis) 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 Minimum Wage (Temporary Suspension) Bill;

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time upon Monday the 11th day of April next.

The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Banks (Official Auditing) Bill;

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time upon Wednesday the 13th day of April next.

Whereupon Mr. Speaker adjourned the House without Question put, pursuant to the Resolution of the House of this day.

Saturday, 19th March 1921.

The House met at Twelve of the clock.

Prayers.

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

(In the Committee.)

Civil Services Supplementary Estimates, 1920–21.

Class II.

1. Motion made, and Question proposed, That a Supplementary sum not exceeding £13,945 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 1921 for the Salaries and Expenses of the Offices of the Chief Secretary in Dublin, Belfast, and London (including Grants for the Higher Education of ex-Officers, &c.) of the Irish Public Health Council; of the Inspectors of Lunatic Asylums; Expenses under the Inebriates Acts; and certain Allowances for Disturbance, &c.:

Whereupon Motion made, and Question put, That a sum not exceeding £13,945 be granted for the said Service—(Captain Elliot);

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The Committee divided.

Tellers for the [Lieutenant-Commander Kenworthy,]

Yea, [Major Mackenzie Wood];

Noes, [Captain Guest];

24.

Tellers for the [Lord Edmund Talbot,]

Yea, [Captain Guest];

Noes, [Mr. Rajfern];

174.

Original Question put.

The Committee divided.

Tellers for the [Lieutenant-Commander Kenworthy,]

Yea, [Mr. Anearin Williams];

Noes, [Lieutenant-Commander Kenworthy];

153.

Original Question put and agreed to.

3. Motion made, and Question proposed, That a Supplementary sum not exceeding £31,600 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 1921 for the Expenses of the General Prison 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.

The Committee divided.

Tellers for the [Lieutenant-Commander Kenworthy,]

Yea, [Mr. Anearin Williams];

Noes, [Lieutenant-Commander Kenworthy];

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4. Motion made, and Question proposed, That a Supplementary sum not exceeding £500 be granted to His Majesty, to defray the charge which will come in course of payment during the year ending on the 31st day of March 1921 for the Expenses of the Maintenance of Criminal Lunatics in the Dundrum Criminal Lunatic Asylum, Ireland.

The Committee divided.

Tellers for the [Lord Edmund Talbot,]

Yea, [Captain Guest];

Noes, [Mr. MacVeagh];

116.

Tellers for the [Lieutenant-Commander Kenworthy,]

Yea, [Mr. MacVeagh];

Noes, [Lieutenant-Commander Kenworthy];

7.

Class I.

5. £108,260 Supplementary for Expenditure in connection with Public Buildings in Ireland, for the Maintenance of certain Parks, Harbours, and Public Works, for the Maintenance of Drainage Works on the River Shannon, and for sundry Grants in Aid.
Civil Services (Excesses), 1919-20.
6. £28,210 13s. 11d. to make good Excesses on certain Grants for Civil Services.
Air Services (Excesses), 1919-20.
7. £251,214 18s. 5d. to make good Excesses of Air Expenditure beyond the Grants.

Resolutions to be reported.

Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair; and the Deputy Chairman reported, That the Committee had come to several Resolutions.
Ordered, That the Report be received upon Monday next.
The Deputy Chairman also acquainted the House that he was directed to move, That the Committee may have leave to sit again.
Resolved, That this House will, upon Monday next, again resolve itself into the said Committee.

Colonel Sir Robert Sanders reported from the Committee of Supply of the 18th day of this instant March, a Resolution, which was read, as follows:

Civil Services Supplementary Estimates, 1920-21.

Unclassified Services.

War Bonus, &c. (Supplementary.)

That a Supplementary sum not exceeding £60,000 be granted to His Majesty, to defray the charge which will come in course of payment during the year ending on the 31st day of March 1921 to meet such of the charges for War Bonus, &c, as have not been otherwise provided.
The said Resolution, being read a second time, was agreed to.

Ways and Means.

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 years ending on the 31st day of March 1920 and 1921, the sum of £16,467,532 13s. 9d. be granted out of the Consolidated Fund of the United Kingdom. (Mr. Baldwin.)

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 1922, the sum of £265,108,000 be granted out of the Consolidated Fund of the United Kingdom. (Mr. Baldwin.)

Resolutions to be reported.

Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair; and the Deputy Chairman reported, That the Committee had come to several Resolutions.
Ordered, That the Report be received upon Monday next.
The Deputy Chairman also acquainted the House, that he was directed to move, That the Committee may have leave to sit again.
Resolved, That this House will, upon Monday next, again resolve itself into the said Committee.

Army and Air Force (Annual) Bill.

The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Army and Air Force (Annual) Bill:

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

The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Public Health (Tuberculosis) Bill:

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

Resolved, That this House do now adjourn.—Adjournment. (Colonel Sir Robert Sanders.)

And accordingly the House, having continued to sit till half an hour after Seven of the clock, adjourned till Monday next.

[No. 27.]

Monday, 21st March 1921.
The House met at a quarter of an hour before Three of the clock.

PRAYERS.

The Liverpool Mineral and Metal Storage Company (Delivery Warrant) Bill [Lords] was read a second time, and committed.
The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Metropolitan Water Board (Various Powers) Bill:

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

Mr. Arthur Balfour presented, pursuant to the Universities direction of several Acts of Parliament,—Copies of Statutes made under the Universities of Oxford and Cambridge Act, 1877, by the Governing Body of Sidney Sussex College, Cambridge, on 6th and 13th December 1920, respectively; (1) repealing Paragraph 2 of Chapter VIII., and substituting a new paragraph therefor; (2) adding a new Paragraph (4) to Chapter XVI. of the existing Statutes of the College.

Copies of Statutes made under the University of Durham Act, 1908, to alter and supplement the existing Statutes of the University of Durham in relation to the Durham Division of the said University.

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

Sir Hamar Greenwood presented, by His Irish Land Majesty's Command,—Copy of Index to Estates Commission, comprised in Returns of Advances made under the Irish Land Acts, 1903-9, during the year 1918.

Sir Hamar Greenwood also presented, pursuant to the directions of an Act of Parliament, and Courts—Copy of Rules as to Criminal Injuries, dated 19th July 1920, made under the County Officers and Courts (Ireland) Act, 1877.

Copy of Rules as to Criminal Injuries, dated County Officers and Courts (Ireland) Act, 1877.

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

Mr. Attorney General presented, pursuant to Sir Helens Standing Order 175,—Copy of Report by the Corporation Bill.
Ordered, That the Report be referred to the Committee on the Bill.

Sir Robert Horne presented, by His Majesty's Command,—Copy of Report on Pipes and Castings prepared by a Sub-Committee appointed by the Standing Committee on Trusts under the Profitreeing Acts.

Copy of Report on Yeast prepared by a Sub-Committee appointed by the Standing Committee on Trusts under the Profitreeing Acts.

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

Mr. Secretary Montagu presented, pursuant to the directions of an Act of Parliament,—Copy of Amendment to Item 5, Schedule I., Part II., and Schedule II. of the Devolution Rules made under Section 45A of the Government of India Act.

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

Mr. Secretary Churchill presented, by His Majesty's Command,—Copy of Colonial Report, No. 1,087 (jamaica, Report for 1919-20).

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

The Local Elections (Proportional Representation) Bill [Lords] was read the first time, and ordered to be read a second time to-morrow; and to be printed.

The Ministers of Munitions and Shipping (Cessation) Bill [Lords] was read a second time.

Ordered, That the Bill be committed to a Committee of the whole House to-morrow.  
  [Mr. Baldwin.]

Sir William Mitchell-Thomson reported from the Committee of Supply of the 19th day of this instant March several Resolutions; which were read, as follow:—

Civil Services Supplementary Estimates, 1920-21.

Class II.

1. That a Supplementary sum not exceeding £13,945 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 1921 for the Salaries and Expenses of the Offices of the Chief Secretary in Dublin, Belfast, and London (including Grants for the Higher Education of Ex-officers, &c.); of the Irish Public Health Council; of the Inspectors of Lunatic Asylums; Expenses under the Insolvent Acts; and certain allowances for Disturbance, &c.;

Class III.

2. That a Supplementary sum not exceeding £11,600 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 1921 for the Salaries, Allowances, and Expenses of various County Court Officers, Magistrates, and the Divisional Commissioners in Ireland, and the Expenses of Revision.

3. That a Supplementary sum not exceeding £31,600 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 1921 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.

4. That a Supplementary sum not exceeding £500 be granted to His Majesty, to defray the charge which will come in course of payment during the year ending on the 31st day of March 1921 for the Expenses of the Maintenance of Criminal Lunatics in the Dundrum Criminal Lunatic Asylum, Ireland.

Class I.

5. That a Supplementary sum not exceeding Public Works £108,260 be granted to His Majesty, to defray and Buildings Ireland the charge which will come in course of payment during the year ending on the 31st day of March 1921 for Expenditure in connection with Public Buildings in Ireland, for the Maintenance of certain Parks, Harbours, and Public Works, for the Maintenance of Drainage Works on the River Shannon, and for sundry Grants in Aid.

Civil Services (Excesses), 1919-20.

6. That a sum not exceeding £28,310 £13. 11d. Civil Services be granted to His Majesty, to make good Excesses on certain Grants for Civil Services for the year ended on the 31st day of March 1920, viz.:—

Class II.

Vote 33. Local Government Board for Scotland. £28,190 13 10

Class III.

Vote 9. Reformatory and Industrial Schools, Great Britain. 10 0 0

Class IV.

Vote 16. National Gallery of Ireland. 20 0 1

£28,210 13 11

Air Services (Excesses), 1919-20.

7. That a sum not exceeding £551,214 £5. Air Services be granted to His Majesty, to make good Excesses of Air Expenditure beyond the Grants, for the year ended on the 31st day of March 1920. The First Resolution being read a second time;

An Amendment was proposed to be made therein, by leaving out "£13,945," and inserting "£12,945,"—(Lieutenant-Commander Keworthy),—instead thereof.

And the Question being put, That "£13,945 " stand part of the Resolution;

The House divided.

The Yeas to the Right;

The Noes to the Left.

Tellers for the [ Lord Edmund Talbot, } 178.

Tellers for the [ Lieutenant-Commander Kenworthy ] 49.

Nose, [ Mr. Charles White : ]

So it was resolved in the Affirmative.

And the Resolution was agreed to.

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

Colonel Sir Robert Sanders reported from Ways and Means of the Report, which were read, as follow:

1. That, towards making good the Supply Consolidated granted to His Majesty for the Service of the Fund.
Consolidated Fund.

2. That, towards making good the Supply granted to His Majesty for the service of the year ending on the 31st day of March 1922, the sum of £285,108,000 be granted out of the Consolidated Fund of the United Kingdom.

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

Ordered, That a Bill be brought in upon the said Resolutions: And that the Chairman of Ways and Means, Mr. Chancellor of the Exchequer, and Mr. Baldwin do prepare and bring it in.

Mr. Baldwin accordingly presented a Bill to apply certain sums out of the Consolidated Fund to the service of the years ending on the thirty-first day of March, one thousand nine hundred and twenty-one, and one thousand nine hundred and twenty-two: And the same was read the first time, and ordered to be read a second time to-morrow; and to be printed.

The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Public Health (Tuberculosis) 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 Pensions 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 Pensions Bill;

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

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

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

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

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

The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Army and Air Force (Annual) Bill;

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

Resolved, That this House do now adjourn.

—(Colonel Sir Robert Sonders.)

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

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time.

The Chatham and District Light Railways Chatham and Company Bill [Lords] was, according to Order, read a second time, and committed.

Ordered, That Mr. Speaker do issue his Warrant to the Clerk of the Crown, to make out a new Writ for the election of a Member for the County of Somerset, Taunton Division, to serve in this present Parliament for the West Somerset and Taunton Division, in the room of Lieutenant-Colonel Dennis Fortescue Boles, c.s.c., 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.—(Lord Edmund Talbot.)

Ordered, That the Paper relative to Agri-Agricultural culture Act, 1920, which was presented upon the 15th day of this instant March, be printed.

Mr. Attorney General presented, pursuant to Grimsby Standing Order 176a,—Copy of Report by the Attorney General on the Grimsby Corporation Bill [Lords].

Ordered, That the Report be referred to the Committee on the Bill.

Mr. Secretary Montagu presented,—Return East India to an Address to His Majesty, dated the 16th (India Office, Retirement at 65.)

Ordered, That the said Return do lie upon the Table.
Mr. Bridgeman presented, by His Majesty’s Command,—Copy of Statistical Summary of Output and of the Costs of Production, Proceeds, and Profits of the Coal-Mining Industry as a whole, and for the various districts, in respect of the month ended 28th February 1921.

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

Mr. Baldwin presented, pursuant to the directions of an Act of Parliament,—Account of the gross amount of all Bank Annuities and any Annuities for terms of years transferred, and of all sums of money paid, to the Commissioner for the Reduction of the National Debt; and the gross amount of Annuities for lives and for terms of years which have been granted for the same, and Contracts for payments on death which have been made under the provisions of the National Debt Act, 1899, and other Acts, within the year ended 4th January 1921.

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

Mr. Secretary Churchill presented, by His Majesty’s Command,—Copy of Colonial Report, No. 1,068 (British Guiana, Report for 1919).

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

The Order for reading a second time, upon Wednesday the 6th day of April next, the Diseases of Animals (Scotland) Bill was read, and discharged.

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time upon Wednesday the 13th day of April next.

Mr. Speaker acquainted the House, That a Message from the Lord Lieut., commanding the attendance of the House of Commons, to be read upon Wednesday the 22nd March, for the Reduction of the National Debt; and for the various districts, in respect of the month ended 28th February 1921.

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

The Lords have agreed to the Coal Mines (Decontrol) Bill, without any Amendment.

The Lords have agreed to the Coal Mines (Reparation) Bill, without any Amendment.

The Bristol Water Bill [Lords] was read the first time.

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

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The Waltham and Cheshunt Gas Bill [Lords] was read the first time.

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

The Oxford Motor Services Bill [Lords] was read the first time.

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

Sir Park Goiff reported the Cambridge University and Town Waterworks Bill, with Amendments.

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

Mr. John William Wilson reported from the Standing Committee (Chairman’s Panel) That they had appointed Major Burnaston to act as Chairman of Standing Committee D (in respect of the Docking of Horses Bill and of the Performing Animals (Prohibition) Bill); and Mr. Hodge to act as Chairman of Standing Committee D (in respect of the Health Resorts and Watering Places Bill).

Ordered, That the Report do lie upon the Table.

Sir Samuel Roberts reported from the Committee of Selection; That they had nominated the following Members to serve on Standing Committee D:—Captains Ainsworth, Mr. Charles Barrie, Major Burnaston, Mr. Edward Beauchamp, Major Brazzy, Colonel Burdon, Mr. Carr, Mr. Casey, Major Cope, Mr. Daubes, Major Entwistle, Captain Fitz Roy, Mr. Gillis, Mr. Hancox, Mr. Hanna, Major Hennessey, Mr. Hanson, Mr. Hinds, Mr. Austin Hopkins, Mr. Janson, Mr. Jodrell, Mr. Hayden Jones, Lieutenant-Commander Kenworthy, Mr. Kenyon, Mr. Lyle-Samuel, Mr. Lynn, Mr. Morrison, Lieutenant-Colonel Arthur Murray, Major William Murray, Major Newton, Captain O’Grady, Mr. Albert Parkinson, Mr. Frederick Roberts, Sir William Seager, Mr. Sexton, Mr. Alfred Short, Mr. Walter Smith, Mr. Spooner, Captain Sir Beattie Stuart, Mr. Strauss, Mr. Stupendous, Mr. Ainsworth, Mr. Swain, Mr. Trevelyn Thomson, Mr. William Thorne, Mr. Tottill, Mr. Townley, Mr. Waddington, Mr. Wignall, Mr. Winningham, and Sir Samuel Hillo-Howard.

Sir Samuel Roberts further reported from the standing Committee; That they had nominated Standing Committee D as the Committee on which Government Bills shall not have precedence.

Sir Samuel Roberts further reported from the Standing Committee; That they had added the following Fifteen Members to Standing Committee D (in respect of the Docking of Horses Bill and the Performing Animals (Prohibitions) Bill):—Sir John Baird, Mr. Betterson, Mr. Briant, Colonel Burn, Brigadier-General Cockerill, Mr. Alfred Davies, Mr. William Graham, Mr. Frederick Green, Mr. Morris, Mr. Marschon, Major Palmer, Mr. Spoon, Major Steel, Captain Watson, and Sir Richard Winfrey.

Sir Samuel Roberts further reported from the Standing Committee; That they had added the following Members to Standing Committee D (in respect of the Docking of Horses Bill and the Performing Animals (Prohibitions) Bill):—Mr. James Bell, Colonel Burn, Major David Davies, Captain Ernest Evans, Captain Foscroft, Mr. Grundy, Sir Thomas of Hambledon, Mr. Thomas-Stanford, Mr. Anson, Williams, and Sir Kingsley Wood.
Standing Committee A.

Sir Samuel Roberts further reported from the Committee: That they had discharged the following Member from Standing Committee A:—Sir Thomas Powell: and had appointed in substitution: General Sir Charles Townshend.

Ordered, That the Reports do lie upon the Table.

Ministry of Transport (Transfer of Railways) Bill. Bill 53.

Mr. James Henry Thomas, supported by Mr. William Graham, Mr. Spencer, Mr. John Jones, Mr. Myers, Mr. Rogers, Mr. Scatto, Mr. Waterson, Mr. Wignall, Mr. James Wilson, and Mr. Robert Young, presented a Bill to provide for the transfer of railway undertakings to the Minister of Transport, and for purposes connected therewith: and the same was ordered to be read a second time upon Tuesday the 15th day of April next; and to be printed.

The House, according to Order, resolved itself into a Committee on the Ministries of Munitions and Shipping (Cessation) Bill.

(In the Committee.)

Clause No. 1 (Provisions as to transfer of property, &c. on cessation of Ministries).

Amendments made.

Another Amendment proposed, in p. 2, l. 6, to leave out from the word "aforesaid" to the word "and," in l. 12.—(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. 2, l. 18, at the end, to insert the words "Provided that all such powers and duties as aforesaid shall be discontinued and shall cease before the first day of January, nineteen hundred and twenty-three."—(Sir Frederick Banbury.) Question proposed, That those words be there inserted.

Amendment proposed to the proposed Amendment, to leave out the words "first day of January, nineteen hundred and twenty-three," in order to insert the words "thirty-first day of January, nineteen hundred and twenty-four, unless Parliament otherwise determines."—(Sir Donald Maclean.) Question proposed, That the words proposed to be left out stand part of the proposed Amendment.

Amendment to the proposed Amendment, by leave, withdrawn.

Amendment, by leave, withdrawn.

Another Amendment proposed, in p. 2, l. 19, to leave out subsection (2).—(Sir Frederick Banbury.) Question proposed, That the words proposed to be left out stand part of the Clause.

Amendment, by leave, withdrawn.

Clause No. 2 agreed to.

A Clause (Provision as to Orders in Council) —(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 Deputy Chairman reported, That the Committee had gone through the Bill, and made Amendments thereto.

Ordered, That the Bill, as amended in the Committee, be taken into consideration to-morrow.

The Consolidated Fund (No. 2) Bill was, Consolidated 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 Public Health Second Reading of the Public Health (Tuberculosis) 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 Pensions Bill;

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

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

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

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

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

The Order of the day being read, for the Army and Air Force Second Reading of the Army and Air Force (Annual) Bill;

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

The Order of the day being read, for the Protection of Animals Act (1911) Amendment Bill;

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time upon Wednesday the 13th day of April next.

And the House having continued to sit till after Twelve of the clock on Wednesday morning:

Wednesday, 23rd March 1921:

The Order of the day being read, for the Local Elections Second Reading of the Local Elections (Proportional Representation) Bill [Lords];

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

The Order of the day being read, for the Coroners (Remuneration) Bill;

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time upon Tuesday the 6th day of April next.

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 more than one minute after Twelve of the clock on Wednesday morning, till this day.
The House met at a quarter of an hour before Three of the clock.

PRAYERS.

Papers.

The House proceeded to take into consideration the Portsmouth Water Bill, as amended in the Committee;

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time.

The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Durham County Transport Bill;

Ordered, That the Bill be read the third time.

The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Lee Conservancy Bill;

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time upon Wednesday the 6th day of April next.

The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Metropolitan Water Board (Charges) Bill;

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time upon Thursday the 7th day of April next, at a quarter of an hour after Eight of the clock.

The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Metropolitan Water Board (Various Powers) Bill;

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time upon Thursday the 7th day of April next, at a quarter of an hour after Eight of the clock.

The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Thames Conservancy Bill;

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time upon Thursday the 7th day of April next, at a quarter of an hour after Eight of the clock.

The Order of the day being read, for taking into consideration the Forth Conservancy Order Confirmation Bill [Lords];

Ordered, That the Bill be taken into consideration upon Wednesday the 6th day of April next.

The Pilotage Provisional Orders (No. 2) Bill, was, according to Order, read a second time, and committed.

Mr. Arthur Balfour presented, pursuant to the directions of several Acts of Parliament,—Copy of Order in Council under the Foreign Jurisdiction Act, 1890, dated 9th March 1921, entitled the Rhodesia (Administrative) Order in Council, 1921.

Copy of Order in Council under the Merchant Shipping Act, 1894, dated 9th March 1921, relating to the form of Indenture for Sea-fishing Apprentices.

Copies of Two Orders in Council under the Naval and Marine Pay and Pensions Act, 1895, dated 9th March 1921, approving certain Regulations made by the Minister of Pensions.

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Copies of Six Orders in Council under the Naval and Marine Pay and Pensions Act, 1895, dated 9th March 1921.

Copy of Order in Council under the Restoration of Order in Ireland Act, 1890, dated 9th March 1921, further amending the Restoration of Order in Ireland Regulations.

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

Mr. Baldwin presented, pursuant to the Sugar directions of an Act of Parliament,—Copy of Purchases.

Treasury Minute, dated 23rd March 1921, authorising further advances amounting to £4,000,000 to the Royal Commission on Sugar Supplies to provide working capital for Sugar Purchases.

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

Mr. Secretary Shortt presented by His Ecclesiastical Majesty's Command,—Copy of Seventy-third Commission.

Report from the Ecclesiastical Commissioners for England, with an Appendix.

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

The following Paper, pursuant to the direct—Supreme Court tions of an Act of Parliament, was laid upon the Table by the Clerk of the House:—Copy of the Supreme Court Funds Rules (Poor Persons), 1920, dated 22nd March 1921.

Ordered, That there be laid before this House Motor Tax a Copy of particulars of Amounts paid into the Account.

Motor Tax Account by the several counties, county boroughs, and county burghs during January and February 1921, together with an estimate of the number of licences issued and the cost of collection.—(Sir Eric Geddes.)

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

The Lords have agreed to the Tribunals of Inquiry (Evidence) Bill, with Amendments; to which the Lords desire the concurrence of this House.

The Lords have passed a Bill, intituled An Westminster Act to make provision with regard to the union of parishes in the city of Westminster, the ownership of St. James's vestry hall, super—ammutation allowances, pensions, and gratuities; to confer various powers upon the Westminster City Council, and for other purposes; to which the Lords desire the concurrence of this House.

Ordered, That the Amendments made by the Lords to the Tribunals of Inquiry (Evidence) Bill be taken into consideration to-morrow; and be printed.

The Westminster City Council (General Powers) Bill [Lords] was read the first time.

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

Dr. Addison, supported by Sir Hamar Greenwood, presented a Bill to amend the Law relating to the housing of the people, and for purposes in connection therewith: And the same was ordered to be read a second time to-morrow; and to be printed.

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July 23rd—24th March, 1921.

The Order of the day being read, for the Army and Air Force (Annual) Bill;

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time upon Monday, the 4th day of April next.

Resolved, That this House do now adjourn.—Adjournment. (Colonel Sir Robert Sanders.)

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

[No. 30.]

Thursday, 24th March 1921.

The House met at Twelve of the clock.

PRAYERS.

The House proceeded to take into consideration the Ministries of Munitions and Shipping (Cessation) Bill, as amended in the Committee, and an Amendment was made to the Bill.

Ordered, That the Bill be read the third time.

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 Birmingham, West Birmingham Division, in the room of the Right Honourable Joseph Austen Chamberlain, who, since his Election for the said Borough, hath accepted the Office of Lord Privy Seal.—(Lord Edmund Talbot.)

Mr. Baldwin presented, by His Majesty’s Falkland Islands Command, — Copy of Treasury Minute, dated 15th March 1921, relative to the Falkland Islands War Contribution.

Mr. Baldwin also presented, pursuant to the directions of several Acts of Parliament,—Annual Account of Receipts and Disbursements of the Court of Probate Division of the High Court of Justice in Ireland for the year 1920.

Copy of Appropriation Account of the sums authorised by Parliament to defray the Expenses of the Air Services for the year ended 31st March 1920, with the Report of the Controller and Auditor-General thereon.

Ordered, That the said Papers do lie upon the Table; and that the Paper relative to Air (Appropriation Account, 1919-20) be printed.

Mr. Cecil Harmsworth presented, by His China Majesty’s Command,— Copy of Correspondence respecting the New Financial Consortium in China.

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

Dr. Addison presented, pursuant to the directions of an Act of Parliament,— Copies of Orders made by several County Councils and a County Borough under Section 57 of the Local Government Act, 1888, and confirmed by the Minister of Health.

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

Sir Hamar Greenwood presented, by His Mallow Majesty’s Command,—Copy of Findings of a Court of Inquiry, held at Mallow on 13th February 1921 and subsequent days, for the purpose

Wilson, presented a Bill to amend the Greenwich Hospital Act, 1872: And the same was ordered to be read a second time to-morrow; and to be printed.

Treaty of Peace (Hungary) Bill. Mr. Cecil Harmsworth, supported by the Prime Minister, Mr. Chancellor of the Exchequer, and Mr. Attorney General, presented a Bill to carry into effect a Treaty of Peace between His Majesty and certain other Powers: And the same was ordered to be read a second time to-morrow; and to be printed.

Sittings of the House. Resolved, That this House do meet to-morrow, at Twelve of the clock.—(Lord Edmund Talbot.)

Ministers of Munitions and Shipping (Consenting) Bill [Lords].

The House, according to Order, proceeded to take into consideration the Ministries of Munitions and Shipping (Cessation) Bill [Lords], as amended in the Committee.

And Amendments were made to the Bill.

Ordered, That the Bill be now read the third time:—The Bill was accordingly read the third time and passed, 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.

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 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 to which this House doth desire the concurrence of their Lordships.

The Bill was accordingly read the third time and passed.

Ordered, That this House will, to-morrow, to sit till thirteen minutes before Eleven of the clock, adjourned till to-morrow.

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time upon Monday the 4th day of April next.

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Ordered, That the Clerk do carry the Bill to the Lords, and desire their concurrence to which this House doth desire the concurrence of their Lordships.

Ordered, That the Bill be read the third time.

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 Birmingham, West Birmingham Division, in the room of the Right Honourable Joseph Austen Chamberlain, who, since his Election for the said Borough, hath accepted the Office of Lord Privy Seal.—(Lord Edmund Talbot.)

Mr. Baldwin presented, by His Majesty’s Falkland Islands War Contribution, — Copy of Treasury Minute, dated 15th March 1921, relative to the Falkland Islands War Contribution.

Mr. Baldwin also presented, pursuant to the directions of several Acts of Parliament,—Annual Account of Receipts and Disbursements of the Court of Probate Division of the High Court of Justice in Ireland for the year 1920.

Copy of Appropriation Account of the sums authorised by Parliament to defray the Expenses of the Air Services for the year ended 31st March 1920, with the Report of the Controller and Auditor-General thereon.

Ordered, That the said Papers do lie upon the Table; and that the Paper relative to Air (Appropriation Account, 1919-20) be printed.

Mr. Cecil Harmsworth presented, by His China Majesty’s Command,— Copy of Correspondence respecting the New Financial Consortium in China.

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

Dr. Addison presented, pursuant to the directions of an Act of Parliament,— Copies of Orders made by several County Councils and a County Borough under Section 57 of the Local Government Act, 1888, and confirmed by the Minister of Health.

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

Sir Hamar Greenwood presented, by His Mallow Majesty’s Command,—Copy of Findings of a Court of Inquiry, held at Mallow on 13th February 1921 and subsequent days, for the purpose
of inquiring into the cause of and circumstances attending the death of Mrs. Alice Mary King and the wounding of County-Inspector King, Royal Irish Constabulary, at Mallow on 31st January 1921, and the events which led up to, and resulted in, the deaths of Denis Bennett and Daniel O'Mullane on the same day.

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

Mr. Secretary Shortt 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 Neath;
Borough of Hull;
Borough of Ealing;
Urban District of Pontypridd.

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 communicate that they have come to the following Resolution, viz.—That it is desirable that the Taf Fechan Valley Water Board Bill [Lords], the Taf Fechan Water Supply Bill [Lords], the Rhymney Valley Water Board Bill [Lords], and the Rhymney and Aber Valleys Gas and Water Bill [Lords], be referred to a Joint Committee of both Houses of Parliament.

The House, according to Order, proceeded to take into consideration the Amendments made by the Lords to the Tribunals of Inquiry (Evidence) Bill.

The Lords' Amendments as far as the Amendment in p. 2, l. 23, being read a second time, were agreed to.

The Lords' Amendment in p. 2, l. 23, leave out ("otherwise"), and insert ("where the party appearing to be interested is a trade union or a member of a trade union, and so desires, to be by an official or other member of that trade union instead of by counsel or solicitor"), the remaining Amendment, being read a second time;—

An Amendment was proposed to be made to the Lords' Amendment, in l. 3, by inserting after the first word "union," the words "or a corporation."—(Mr. Inskip.)

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

Resolved, That this House doth disagree with the Lords in the said Amendment.—(Mr. Attorney General.)

Ordered, That a Committee be appointed to draw up a Reason to be assigned to the Lords for disagreeing to one of their Amendments to the Bill.

And a Committee was nominated of Mr. Attorney General, Major Hamilton, Mr. Inskip, Mr. George Thorne, and Mr. Robert Young.

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

And they are to withdraw immediately.

Resolved, That this House, at its rising this day, do adjourn till Monday the 4th day of April next.—(Lord Edmund Talbot.)

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Mr. Attorney General reported from the Tribunals of Inquiry (Evidence) Committee appointed to draw up a Reason to be assigned to the Lords for disagreeing to one of the Amendments made by their Lordships to the Tribunals of Inquiry (Evidence) Bill; That they had drawn up a Reason accordingly, which they directed him to report to the House; and the same was read, as followeth:

The Commons disagree to the Amendment made by the Lords in p. 2, l. 23, for the following Reason:—Because they think that it is not desirable to make a special and limited exception.

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

Ordered, That a Message be sent to the Lords to communicate the said Reason (with the Bill and Amendment): And that the Clerk do carry the same.

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

The Lords do not insist on their Amendment to the Tribunals of Inquiry (Evidence) Bill to which this House hath disagreed.

The Lords have agreed to the Consolidated Fund (No. 2) Bill, without any Amendment.

The Lords have agreed to the Amendments made by this House to the Ministries of Munitions and Shipping (Cessation) Bill [Lords], without any Amendment.

The Lords have passed a Bill, intituled An Act to confer further powers on the Ionian Bank, Limited, and for other purposes; to which the Lords desire the concurrence of this House.

The Ionian Bank Bill [Lords] was read the first time.

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

A Motion was made, and the Question being Adjournment proposed, That this House do now adjourn—(Lord Edmund Talbot);

A Message was delivered by Lieutenant-Royal Assent General Sir William Pulleyn, K.C.B., K.C.M.G., D.B.O., 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, for declaring His Royal Assent to several Acts agreed upon by both Houses, where a Commission under the Great Seal was read, giving, declaring, and notifying the Royal Assent to the several Acts therein mentioned; and that the Lords thereby authorised had declared the Royal Assent to the said Acts, as follow:

1. Consolidated Fund (No. 2) Act, 1921.
2. Children Act, 1921.
3. German Reparation (Recovery) Act, 1921.
5. Tribunals of Inquiry (Evidence) Act, 1921.
6. Ministries of Munitions and Shipping (Cessation) Act, 1921.

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Adjournment.

And the Question being again proposed, 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 Five of the clock, the House was adjourned by Mr. Speaker at three minutes before Five of the clock without a Question first put, till Monday the 4th day of April next, pursuant to the Resolution of the House of this day.

[No. 31.]

Monday, 4th April 1921.

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

PRAYERS.

Portsmouth Water Bill.

THE Portsmouth Water Bill was read the third time and passed.

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

The House proceeded to take into consideration the Cambridge University and Town Waterworks Bill, as amended in the Committee;

Ordered, That the Bill be read the third time.

The Corporation of London (Bridge) Bill [Lords] was read a second time, and committed.

The South Metropolitan Gas Bill [Lords] was read a second time, and committed.

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

Copy of Draft, dated 31st March 1921, of Regulations proposed to be made by the Board of Education under Section 44 of the Education Act, 1918, entitled the Training of Teachers (Amending) Regulations (No. 1) 1921.

Copy of Resolutions proposed to be moved in Committees of Ways and Means relative to the Safeguarding of Industries.

Copy of Memorandum by the Ministry of Health explaining the provisions of the Public Health (Tuberculosis) Bill, and the proposed Financial Resolution.

Copy of Colossal Report, No. 1,069 (Trinidad and Tobago, Report for 1919).

Copy of Reports of the Committee on the Road Conveyance of Goods by Railway Companies.

Copy of the Cambrian Railways (Taan Valley Light Railway Transfer) Order, 1921, made under the Light Railways Acts.

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

Mr. Cecil Harmsworth, presented, by His Majesty's Command,—Copy of Correspondence between His Majesty's Government and the United States Ambassador respecting Economic Rights in Mandated Territories.

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

Mr. Secretary Shortt presented, pursuant to Summary Jurisdiction Rules, of Order under the Diseases of Animals Acts, authorising the landing of two Casellas in the Port of Swansea.

Copy of Order, under the Diseases of Animals Acts, authorising the landing of three Elk in the Port of Liverpool.

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

Lord Edmund Talbot presented, pursuant to directions of an Act of Parliament,—Copy of Order, 1921.

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

Mr. Bridgeman presented,—Return to an Order dated the 8th day of March last, for a Return Relative to Coal Output (Weekly Statistics).

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

Mr. Mc Curdy presented, pursuant to the Air Force Act, 1917, providing for the Rates of Pay and Foreign Allowances to be paid to Officers of the Royal Air Force who are Air Attachés.

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

Sir Alfred Mond presented, pursuant to the Housing, Town and Planning, &c. Act, 1919.

Sir William Mitchell-Thomson presented, by Imperial Government of Ireland, to the Board of Education under Section 44 (5) of the Education Act, 1918, a copy of Memorandum by the Ministry of Health explaining the provisions of the Public Health (Tuberculosis) Bill, and the proposed Financial Resolution.

Copy of Report on an application by the Reading Gas Company to the Board of Trade under the Public Utility Companies (Capital Issues) Act, 1920.

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

Mr. Fisher, presented, pursuant to the directions Education of an Act of Parliament,—Copy of Report, 1920.

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

Mr. Secretary Shortt presented, pursuant to Summary Jurisdiction Rules, of Order, 1921, made under the Criminal Justices Administration Act, 1914, and the Summary Jurisdiction Act, 1879.

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

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Copy of Order, under the Diseases of Animals Acts, authorising the landing of three Elk in the Port of Liverpool.

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

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

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Ordered, That the said Paper do lie upon the Table.
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North Riding of Yorkshire in respect of the year 1919-20.
Ordered, That the said Paper do lie upon the Table.

Irish Land Commission.
Sir Honar Greenwood presented, by His Majesty’s Command,—Copy of Return of Advances made under the Irish Land Purchase Acts during the months of May and June 1919.

Supreme Court of Judicature (Ireland) Act, 1877.
Sir Honar Greenwood also presented, pursuant to the directions of an Act of Parliament,—Copy of Order in Council under the Supreme Court of Judicature (Ireland) Act, 1877, dated 22nd March 1921, making Rules of the Supreme Court under the Patents and Designs Act, 1919, as Statutory Rules.

Supreme Court of Judicature (Ireland) Act, 1877.
Copy of Order in Council under the Supreme Court of Judicature (Ireland) Act, 1877, dated 22nd March 1921, making Rules of the Supreme Court under the Sex Disqualification (Removal) Act, 1919, as Statutory Rules.
Ordered, That the said Papers do lie upon the Table.

War Pensions Acts.
Mr. Macpherson presented, pursuant to the directions of an Act of Parliament,—Copy of Order under the War Pensions Acts dividing the area of the Local Committee for the County of Monmouth into districts and dissolving the Local Committee; entitled the County of Monmouth into districts and dissolving the Local Committee for the County of Monmouth (Division of Area) Local Committee Order, 1921.

War Pensions Acts.
Copy of Order under the War Pensions Acts establishing separate Local Committees for the City of London and for each Metropolitan Borough, and dissolving the Local Committee for the County of London; entitled the County of London (Division of Area) Local Committee Order, 1921.
Ordered, That the said Papers do lie upon the Table.

Mr. Arthur Balfour presented, pursuant to the directions of an Act of Parliament,—Copy of Order in Council, dated 1st April 1921, making Regulations under Section 2 (1) of the Emergency Powers Act, 1920.
Ordered, That the said Paper do lie upon the Table.

Queen Anne’s Bounty.
Mr. Hilton Young presented, by His Majesty’s Command,—Copy of Annual Report and Accounts of the Governors of Queen Anne’s Bounty for the year 1920.
Ordered, That the said Paper do lie upon the Table.

Army (Military Savings Banks) No. 64.
Secretary Sir Laming Worthington-Evans presented, pursuant to the directions of an Act of Parliament,—Copy of Statement of the amounts due by the public to depositors in Military Savings Banks on 31st March 1919, and of the Receipts, Interest, and Disbursements during the year ended 31st March 1920, &c.
Ordered, That the said Paper do lie upon the Table; and be printed.

New Member sworn.
The Right Honourable Joseph Austen Chamberlain, Member for the Borough of Birmingham (West Birmingham Division), was sworn.

The Prime Minister, at the Bar, acquainted the House that he had a Message from His Majesty to this House, signed by His Majesty’s own hand, and he presented the same to the House; and it was read by Mr. Speaker (all the Members of the House being uncovered), and it is as followeth:—

GEORGE R.I.

The Emergency Powers Act, 1920, having enacted that if it appears to His Majesty that any action has been taken or is immediately threatened by any persons or body of persons of such a nature and on so extensive a scale as to be calculated, by interfering with the supply and distribution of food, water, fuel, light, or with the means of locomotion, to deprive the community, or any substantial portion of the community, of the essentials of life, His Majesty may, by proclamation, declare that a state of emergency exists; and the immediate threat of cessation of work in Coal Mines having, in His Majesty’s opinion, constituted a state of emergency within the meaning of the said Act:

His Majesty has deemed it proper, by proclamation made in pursuance of the said Act and dated the 31st day of March 1921, to declare that a state of emergency exists.
Ordered, That His Majesty’s Most Gracious Message be taken into consideration to-morrow.

(The Prime Minister.)

The Police Pensions Bill was, according to Order, read a second time, and committed to a Standing Committee.

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

The Greenwich Hospital Bill was, according to Order, read a second time, and committed to a Standing Committee.

The Army and Air Force (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.

(Colonel Sir Robert Sanders.)

A Motion was made, and the Question being Adjourned, put, That this House do now adjourn.—(Colonel Sir Robertson Sanders):

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

Tellers for the 

Lord Edmund Talbot, 

Mr. Dudley Ward : 138.

Tellers for the 

Lieutenant-Commander Kenneth T. 

Mr. Alfred Davies : 60.

So it was resolved in the Affirmative.

And accordingly the House, having continued to sit till six minutes after Six of the clock, adjourned till to-morrow.
Tuesday, 5th April 1921.

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

PRAYERS.

Mr. Speaker laid upon the Table.—Report from one of the Examiners of Petitions for Private Bills, That in the case of the following Bills, originating in the Lords, and referred on the First Reading thereof, the Standing Orders not previously inquired into, which are applicable thereto, have been complied with, viz.:—

Oxford Motor Services Bill [Lords].
Bristol Water Bill [Lords].
Wallaham and Cheshunt Gas Bill [Lords].

Ordered, That the Bills be read a second time.

Gas and Water Bills.

Ordered, That the Lords' Message of the 24th day of March last communicating the Resolution, That it is desirable that the Taf Fechan Valley Water Board Bill [Lords], Taf Fechan Water Supply Bill [Lords], Rhydymwyn Valley Water Board Bill [Lords], and the Rhydymwyn and Awen Valleys Gas and Water Bill [Lords] be referred to a Joint Committee of both Houses of Parliament be now taken into consideration. — (The Chairman of Ways and Means.)

The House accordingly proceeded to take the Lords' Message into consideration.

Resolved, That this House doth agree with the Lords in the said Resolution. — (The Chairman of Ways and Means.)

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

Sir Alfred Mond presented a Bill to confirm certain Provisional Orders of the Minister of Health relating to Altrincham, Ashford, Barnes, Gillingham, and Ramsgate: And the same was read the first time.

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

Sir Alfred Mond presented a Bill to confirm certain Provisional Orders of the Minister of Health relating to Cleethorpes, Loughborough, Middleton, Swansea, and the Goole Joint Hospital District: And the same was read the first time.

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

Mr. Hilton Young presented, pursuant to the directions of an Act of Parliament,—Copy of Twenty-ninth Annual Report of the Proceedings of the Inspection Committee of Trustee Savings Banks for the year ended 30th November 1920, with Appendices.

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

Secretary Sir Laming Worthington-Evans presented, by His Majesty's Command,—Copy of Introduction to the Report of the British Mission appointed to visit Enemy Chemical Factories in the occupied zone engaged in the production of munitions of war in February 1919.

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

Mr. Cecil Harmsworth presented, by His Treaty Series Majesty's Command,—Copy of Agreement between the British and Danish Governments respecting Matters of Wreck.

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

The Lord Advocate presented, pursuant to Corn Regulations, 1921, dated 16th March 1921, made by the Board of Agriculture for Scotland under the Corn Production Act, 1917, and the Agriculture Act, 1920, with respect to the time within which Questions under Section 4 (1) of the Agriculture Act, 1920, may be referred to Arbitration.

Copy of the Cultivation of Lands (Scotland) Corn Regulations, 1921, dated 18th March 1921, Production Acts, 1917 and 1920, made by the Board of Agriculture for Scotland under the Corn Production Acts, 1917 and 1920.

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

Sir Eric Gosier presented,—Return to an Motor-Tax Order, dated the 23rd day of March last, for a new Motor-Tax Account.

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

Ordered, That Mr. Speaker do issue his Worcester Warrant to the Clerk of the Crown, to make out a new Writ for the election of a Member of Parliament to serve in this present Parliament for the County of Worcester (Bewdley Division), in the room of the Right Honourable Stanley Baldwin, who, since his Election for the said County, hath accepted the Office of President of the Committee of Privy Council for Trade and Plantations.—(Lords' Writ.)

Ordered, That Mr. Speaker do issue his Glasgow Borough Warrant to the Clerk of the Crown, to make out a new Writ for the election of a Member of Parliament to serve in this present Parliament for the Borough of Glasgow (Pollok Division) in the room of Lieutenant-Colonel Sir John Gilmore, Baronet, D.S.O., who, since his Election for the said Borough, hath accepted the Office of one of the Commissioners for executing the Office of Treasurer of the Exchequer of Great Britain and Lord High Treasurer of Ireland.—(Lords' Writ.)

Ordered, That Mr. Speaker do issue his Bristol (West Division) Warrant to the Clerk of the Crown, to make out a new Writ for the election of a Member of Parliament to serve in this present Parliament for the Borough of Bristol (West Division), in the room of Colonel George Abraham Gibbiss, who, since his Election for the said Borough, hath accepted the Office of Treasurer of His Majesty's Household.—(Lords' Writ.)

Ordered, That Mr. Speaker do issue his Dorset (Eastern Division) Warrant to the Clerk of the Crown, to make out a new Writ for the election of a Member of Parliament to serve in this present Parliament for the County of Dorset (Eastern Division), in the room of Captain the Right Honourable Frederick Edward Guest, D.B.E., who, since his Election for the said
Countjz hath accepted the Office of one of His Majesty's Principal Secretaries of State.—(Mr. Dudley Ward.)

Ordered, That Mr. Speaker do issue his Warrant to the Clerk of the Crown, to take out a new Writ for the election of a Member to serve in this present Parliament for the County of Bedford (Bedford Division), in the room of the late Honorable Frederick George Kellaway, who, since his Election for the said County, hath accepted the Office of Postmaster-General.—(Mr. Dudley Ward.)

A Motion was made, and the Question being Emergency proposed, That the Regulations made by His Majesty in Council under the Emergency Powers Act, 1920, by Order, dated the 1st April 1921, shall continue in force, subject, however, to the provisions of Section 2 (4) of the said Act—Mr. Chancellor of the Exchequer)—And a Debate arising thereupon;

Ordered, That the Debate be now adjourned.

Ordered, That the Debate be resumed to-morrow.

The Order of the day being read, for the Army and Air Committee on the Army and Air Force Annual Purposes (Annual) Bill;

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

The Order of the day being read, for the Public Health Second Reading of the Public Health (Tuberculosis) Bill;

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

The Order of the day being read, for the Housing Bill. Second Reading of the Housing Bill;

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

The Order of the day being read, for the Treaty of Peace Second Reading of the Treaty of Peace (Hungary) Bill;

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

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

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

The Order of the day being read, for the Merchant Second Reading of the Merchant Shipping (No. 2) Bill;

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

The Coroners (Remuneration) Bill was, Coroners (Re- according to Order, read a second time, and moneration) committed to a Standing Committee.

Ordered, That the Debate be now adjourned.

Ordered, That the Debate be resumed to-morrow.

The Order of the day being read, for the Importation Second Reading of the Importation of Plumage (Prohibition) (No. 3) Bill;

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

The Order of the day being read, for the Prevention Second Reading of the Prevention of Unemploy- ment Bill;

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

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The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Parliament Act, 1911 (Repeal) Bill;

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

The Deceased Wife's Sister's Marriage Act (1907) Amendment Bill was, according to Order, read a second time, and committed to a Standing Committee.

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

STANDING COMMITTEES.

Distribution by Mr. Speaker, pursuant to Standing Order No. 47, of Bills committed to a Standing Committee.

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[No. 33.]

Wednesday, 6th April 1921.

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

PRAYERS.

THE Herts and Essex Water Bill was read the third time and passed.

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

The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Durham County Transport Bill;

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

The House, according to Order, proceeded to take into consideration the Forth Conservancy Order Confirmation Bill [Lords].

And Amendments were made to the Bill.

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

A Petition of the Mayor, Aldermen, and Citizens of the City of Coventry, praying that provision may be made in the Coventry Corporation Bill for enabling them to supply water to the parish of Strotbrough, in the rural district of Warwick, and to the parish of Willenhall, in the rural district of Foleshill, in the county of Warwick, was presented, and read; and referred to the Examiners of Petitions for Private Bills.

Sir Alfred Mond presented, by His Majesty's Command, — Copy of Memorandum on the

Financial Resolution relative to the Housing Bill, and on the provisions of the Bill involving charges upon the Rates.

Sir Alfred Mond also presented, pursuant to National directions of an Act of Parliament,—Copy of Health Insurance Regulations dated 4th April 1921; made by the Minister of Health, entitled the National Health Insurance (Panel Committee) Amendment Regulations, 1921.

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

Mr. Pratt presented, by His Majesty's Command,—Copy of Memorandum on the Increase of Local Rates in Scotland.

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

Mr. Hilton Young presented, by His Majesty's Command,—Copy of Explanatory Memorandum on the Revenue Bill.

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

Mr. Attorney General presented, pursuant to Leicester Standing Order 176a,—Copy of Report by the Corporation Attorney General on the Leicester Corporation Bill.

Ordered, That the Report be referred to the Committee on the Bill.

Dr. Macnamara presented, pursuant to the Unemployment Act, directions of an Act of Parliament,—Copy of Correspondence (No. 1, 1921), respecting alleged delay by British Authorities of Telegrams to and from the United States.

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

Mr. Cecil Harmsworth presented, by His United States Majesty's Command,—Copy of Correspondence (No. 1, 1921), respecting alleged delay by British Authorities of Telegrams to and from the United States.

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

Mr. John William Wilson reported from the Standing Select Committee on Standing Orders a Resolution; which was read, as followeth:

That in the case of the Eastbourne Water-Rate Bill [Lords], Petition for Bill, the Standing Waterworks 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.

Mr. Hilton Young, supported by Mr. Chalmers, presented a Bill to Bill 60, entitled the Indian Revenue Bill, for amending the Law relating to Customs and Inland Revenue, including Excise and the National Debt, and for other purposes connected with Finance: And the same was ordered to be read a second time to-morrow; and to be printed.

Ordered, That Mr. Hilton Young be dis-Indian Affairs, charged from the Select Committee on Indian Affairs.
Ordered, That Mr. Reginald Nicholson be added to the Committee.—(Lord Edmund Talbot.)

The Order of the day being read, for resuming the adjourned Debate on the Question proposed upon the 5th day of this instant April, That the Regulations made by His Majesty in Council under the Emergency Powers Act, 1920, by Order, dated the 1st April 1921, shall continue in force, subject, however, to the provisions of section 2 (4) of the said Act.

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

An Amendment was proposed to be made to the Question, in 1, 1, by inserting after the word "Regulations," the words "other than Regulations 6, 16, 19, 20, 22, 23, 27, 28, and 29."—(Colonel Wedgwood.)

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

The House divided.

The Yeas to the Right;

The Noes to the Left.

Tellers for the Yeas, Mr. Griffiths; Mr. Fred Hall: 69.

Tellers for the Noes, Lord Edmund Talbot; Mr. Dudley Ward: 285.

So it passed in the Negative.

The Question was amended, by adding at the end thereof, the words "and subject also (a) to the omission in Regulation 6 of the words from '1903,' to the end of the Regulation; and (b) to the omission in Regulation 28 of the words from 'thereunder' (where it first occurs) to 'shall'; and (c) to the omission of Regulation 29."—(Mr. Secretary Shortt.)

And the Question, as amended, being proposed:—And a Debate arising thereupon;

Mr. Austen Chamberlain rose in his place and claimed to move, That the Question be now put; but Mr. Speaker withheld his assent, and declined then to put that Question:—Then the House resumed the Debate.

And the Question being put:

The Yeas to the Right;

The Noes to the Left.

Tellers for the Yeas, Lord Edmund Talbot; Mr. Dudley Ward: 270.

Tellers for the Noes, Mr. Griffiths; Mr. Fred Hall: 60.

So it passed in the Negative.

Resolved, That the Regulations made by His Majesty in Council under the Emergency Powers Act, 1920, by Order, dated the 1st April 1921, shall continue in force, subject, however, to the provisions of Section 2 (4) of the said Act, and subject also (a) to the omission in Regulation 6 of the words from "1903" to the end of the Regulation; and (b) to the omission in Regulation 28 of the words from "thereunder" (where it first occurs) to "shall"; and (c) to the omission of Regulation 29.

Local Rates.

A Motion was made, and the Question being put, That a Select Committee of this House be appointed to inquire into the incidence of local rating by public authorities and to make a report.—(Colonel Bowles); VOL. 175.
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.:

Ionian Bank Bill [Lords].
Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time.

The Cambridge University and Town Waterworks Bill was read the third time and passed.
Ordered, That the Clerk do carry the Bill to the Lords, and desire their concurrence.

The Forth Conservancy Order Confirmation Bill [Lords] was, according to Order, read the third time and passed, with Amendments.
Ordered, That the Clerk do carry the Bill to the Lords, and acquaint them that this House hath agreed to the same, with Amendments; to which this House doth desire the concurrence of their Lordships.

Mr. Secretary Shortt presented,—Return to an Address to His Majesty, dated the 18th day of June in the last Session of Parliament, for a Return relative to Street Accidents caused by Vehicles or Horses (Metropolitan Area).
Ordered, That the said Return do lie upon the Table; and be printed.

The Lord Advocate presented, by His Majesty's Command,—Copy of Statement showing the financial position of certain Properties acquired by the Board of Agriculture for Scotland under the Small Holdings Colonies Act, 1916.

The Lord Advocate also presented, pursuant to the directions of an Act of Parliament,—Copy of Order made under the Ships Act, 1912, by the Council of the undermentioned Local Authority, and confirmed by the Secretary for Scotland:—
City and Royal Burgh of Aberdeen.
Ordered, That the said Papers do lie upon the Table.
Resolved, That it is expedient that the Metropolitan Water Board (Charges) Bill, the Thames Conservancy Bill, and the Lee Conservancy Bill be committed to a Joint Committee of Lords and Commons.—(The Chairman of Ways and Means.)

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

The Metropolitan Water Board (Various Powers) Bill was, according to Order, read a second time, and committed.

Mr. Secretary Shortt reported from the Committee on Police Pensions [Rates and Conditions], a Resolution; which was read, as followeth:

That it is expedient to make provision for the payment, out of moneys provided by Parliament, of any sums payable to the Commissioner and Assistant-Commissioners of Police of the Metropolis, and to His Majesty's Inspectors of Constabulary, under any Act of the present Session to consolidate and amend the Law respecting the retirement, pensions, allowances, and gratuities of members of police forces in Great Britain and their widows and children.

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

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

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

The Order of the day being read, for the Committee on the Army and Air Force (Annual) 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 Treaty of Peace (Hungary) Bill;

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

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

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

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

The House met at Twelve of the clock.

Mr. Fisher presented, by His Majesty's Board of Command, —Copy of Drafts, dated 7th April 1921, of the Training of Teachers (Ammending) Regulations (No. 2), 1921, proposed to be made by the Board of Education under section 44 of the Education Act, 1918.

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

Sir Hamar Greenwood presented, pursuant to Intermediate the directions of an Act of Parliament, —Copy Education of Rule appointing places of examination, 1921, (Ireland.) made by the Intermediate Education Board for Ireland.

Copy of new rules as to the employment of Intermediate Centre Superintendents made by the Inter-mediate Education Board for Ireland.

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

Mr. Hilton Young presented, by His Majesty's National Command, —Copy of Seventh Report on the Health work of the National Insurance Audit Depart-ment, 1920.

Mr. Hilton Young also presented, pursuant to Greek Loan of the directions of several Acts of Parliament,—Copy 1898 up to 31st March 1921.

Account of the Greek Loan of 1898 up to 31st March 1921.

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

Mr. Cecil Harmsworth presented, by His Treaty of Peace Majesty's Command, —Copy of Note on the Treaty of Peace (Hungary) Bill. (Miscellaneous, No. 11, 1921.)

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

Lord Edmund Talbot presented, by His Small Holding Majesty's Command, —Copy of Report of Pro-ceedings of the Ministry of Agriculture and Fisheries for the period ended 31st March 1920, under the Small Holding Colonies Acts, 1896 and 1918.

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

Sir William Middlebrook reported from the Local Legislation Committee; That in the case of the Saint Helens Corporation Bill, they had examined the allegations contained in the Preamble of the Bill, and amended the same so as to make it consistent with the provisions of the Bill as passed by the Committee, and found the same, as amended, to be true; and had gone through the Bill and made Amendments thereto, and had amended the Title, as followeth:

-A Bill to empower the Mayor Aldermen [This and Burgesses of the borough of Saint Helens amended.] to construct street improvements and to provide and run omnibuses within and without the borough to consolidate the rates of the borough to make further provision with regard to the tramways gas water and electricity undertakings.

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of the Corporation and the health local government and improvement of the borough, and for other purposes.

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

Sir Burton Clowes, supported by Sir John Butcher, Mr. Frederick Green, Mr. Leslie Scott, Mr. Jephcott, Mr. Hartshorn, Mr. Clynes, Mr. Arthur Henderson, Colonel Arthur Murray, Sir Frederick Banbury, Mr. Bettoron, and Lieutenant-Commander Kenworthy, presented a Bill to prohibit the use of captive birds in all shooting carried on under artificial conditions: 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 Proportional Representation 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."—(Major Henderson.)

And the Question being proposed, That the word "now" stand part of the Question:—And a Debate arising thereupon;

Mr. Burdett-Coutts rose in his place and claimed to move, That the Question be now put; but Mr. Speaker withheld his assent, and declined then to put that Question:—Then the House resumed the Debate.

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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 [Sir Thomas Bramwell, Mr. Aneurin Williams:]

Yeas, 87.

Tellers for the [Major Henderson, Lieutenant-Colonel Hart:]

Noes, 188.

So it passed in the Negative.

And the Question being put, That the words "upon this day six months" be added at the end of the Question:—It was resolved in the Affirmative.

Then the Main Question, as amended, being put;

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time upon this day six months.

The Prime Minister, at the Bar, acquainted the House that he had a Message from His Majesty to this House, signed by His Majesty's own hand, and he presented the same to the House; and it was read by Mr. Speaker (all the Members of the House being uncovered), and it is as followeth:

GEORGE R.I.

The present state of public affairs, and the threatened dislocation of the life of the community occasioned by the existing strike in the coal mines and its threatened extension to the railway and transport services of the Country, constituting in the opinion of His Majesty a state of great emergency within the meaning of the Acts of Parliament in that behalf, His Majesty deems it proper to provide additional means for the Naval, Military, and Air Force Services, and therefore, in pursuance of those Acts, His Majesty has thought it right to communicate to the House of Commons that His Majesty is, by Proclamation, about to Order that the volunteers under the Naval Reserve Act, 1909, who belong to Class B of the Royal Fleet Reserve, the Army Reserve, and the Air Force Reserve, shall be called into actual service or called out on permanent service, as the case may be, and that soldiers and airmen who would otherwise be entitled, in pursuance of the terms of their enlistment, to be transferred to the Reserve shall continue in Army or Air Force Service, as the case may be, for such period not exceeding the period for which they might be required to serve if they were transferred to the Reserve and called out for permanent service, as to His Majesty may seem expedient.

Ordered, That His Majesty's Most Gracious Message be taken into consideration upon Monday next.—(Mr. Austen Chamberlain.)

And it being after half-past Five of the Adjournment, Mr. Speaker adjourned the House without Question put, pursuant to Standing Order No. 3, it being then twenty-six minutes before Six of the clock, till Monday next.

[No. 36.]

Monday, 11th April 1921.

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

PRAYERS.

THE Bristol Water Bill [Lords] was read a second time, and committed.

The Oxford Motor Services Bill [Lords] was read a second time, and committed.

The Walburn and Cheshunt Gas Bill [Lords] was read a second time, and committed.

The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Durham County Transport Bill;

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

Secretary Sir Laming Worthington-Evans presented, by His Majesty's Command,—Estimate of the Additional Number of Men required for the Army in the year ending 31st March 1922, in consequence of the present Emergency.

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

Mr. Amery presented, by His Majesty's Command,—Estimate of the Additional Numbers of Officers and Men required to be voted for the Navy for the year ending 31st March 1922, and for the year ending 31st March 1923.

Ordered, That the said Estimate be referred to the Committee of Supply; and be printed.
Mr. McCurdy presented, by His Majesty's Command,—Estimate of the further number of Officers and Men of all ranks required to be raised in the Royal Air Force for the year ending 31st March 1922.


Mr. McCurdy also presented, pursuant to the directions of an Act of Parliament,—Copy of Order under the Air Force (Constitution) Act, 1917, determining the rates and conditions of Pay and progressive Pay to be paid to certain classes of those Airmen who were transferred from the Navy and Army, and who were still serving in the regular Air Forces on 14th January 1921.

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

Mr. Fisher presented, by His Majesty's Command,—Copy of Draft, dated 7th April 1921, of Regulations proposed to be made by the Board of Education under Section 44 of the Education Act, 1918, entitled the Higher Education (Contributions (To the Central Welsh Board) Regulations, 1921.

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

Mr. Hilton Young presented, by His Majesty's Command,—Copy of Regulations under the Sex Disqualification (Removal) Act, 1919, preserving to Men certain Branches of the Civil Service in His Majesty's Possessions Overseas and in Foreign Countries.

Mr. Hilton Young also presented,—Return to an Order, dated the 12th day of November 1919, for a Return relative to Savings Banks (Ireland).

Mr. Hilton Young also presented, pursuant to the directions of an Act of Parliament,—Copy of the Appropriation Account for Army Services for 1919-20, with the Report of the Comptroller and Auditor-General thereon, and upon the Store Accounts of the Army.

Ordered, That the said Papers do lie upon the Table, and that the said Return and the Paper relative to Army (Appropriation Account) be printed.

The Lord Advocate 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 for Scotland:

Burgh of Dunfries.

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

Sir William Mitchell-Thomson presented, pursuant to the directions of an Act of Parliament,—Copies of Reports on applications by the Chester United Gas Company; Great Marlow Water Company, Limited; Westgate and Binghamton Gas and Electricity Company, to the Board of Trade under the Public Utility Companies (Capital Issues) Act, 1920.

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

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Sir Samuel Roberts reported from the Committee of Selection (Standing Committees) of the following Member from Standing Committee D (added in respect of the Docking of Horses (Prohibition) Bill) to be a member of the Committee:

Sir John Baird, and had appointed in substitution (in respect of the Docking of Horses (Prohibition) Bill) Sir Arthur Griffith-Boscawen, and (in respect of the Performing Animals (Prohibition) Bill) Dr. Addison.

Ordered, That the Report do lie upon the Table.

The Order for reading a second time, upon Monday next, the Diseases of Animals (Scotland) Bill was read, and discharged.

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time upon Tuesday the 10th day of this instant April.

The Order for reading a second time, upon the Protection of Animals Bill (1911) Amendment Bill was read, and discharged.

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time upon Tuesday the 10th day of this instant April.

The Right Honourable Sir Arthur Sackville was sworn in as a Member for the Borough of Bristol (West Division).

Lieutenant-Colonel George Abraham Gibbs, member for the Borough of Bristol (West Division), was sworn.

Sir Philip Magnus, supported by Sir Henry Crock, Lieutenant-Colonel Raw, Sir James Remnant, and Mr. Myers, presented a Bill to amend the Law relating to tenure of office of medical officers of health, sanitary inspectors, and inspectors of nuisances, and for other purposes; And the same was ordered to be read a second time upon Thursday next; and to be printed.

The House, according to Order, proceeded to consider the Reserve Forces, and took into consideration His Majesty's Most Gracious Message of the 8th day of this instant April, relative to the Reserve Forces:—And the same was again read by Mr. Speaker.

GEORGE R.I.

The present state of public affairs, and the threatened dislocation of the life of the community occasioned by the existing strike in the coal mines and its threatened extension to the railway and transport services of the Country, constituting in the opinion of His Majesty a state of great emergency within the meaning of the Acts of Parliament in that behalf, His Majesty deems it proper to provide additional means for the Naval, Military, and Air Force Services, and therefore, in pursuance of those Acts, His Majesty has thought it right to communicate to the House of Commons that His Majesty is, by Proclamation, about to order that the volunteers under the Naval Reserve Act, 1900, who belong to Class B of the Royal Fleet Reserve, the Army Reserve, and the Air Force Reserve, shall be called into actual service or called out on permanent service, as the case may be, and that soldiers and airmen who would otherwise be entitled, in pursuance of the terms of their enlistments, to be transferred to the Reserve shall continue in Army or Air Force Service, as the case may be, for such period not
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exceeding the period for which they might be required to serve if they were transferred to the Reserve and called out for permanent service, as to His Majesty may seem expedient.

A Motion was made, and the Question being proposed, That an humble Address be presented to His Majesty thanking His Majesty for His Most Gracious Message communicating to this House His Majesty's intentions with respect to the Reserve Forces—(Mr. Austen Chamberlain)—And a Debate arising thereupon;

Ordered, That the Debate be now adjourned. —(Mr. Oyne.)

Ordered, That the Debate be resumed tomorrow.

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

And a Motion being made, and the Question being proposed, That Mr. Speaker do now leave the Chair for the Committee on the Civil Services and Revenue Departments Estimates) — (Mr. Hilton Young);

An Amendment was proposed to be made to the Question by leaving out from the word "That," to the end of the Question, and adding the words "this House is of opinion, in view of the present state of the Country's finances, that there is an imperative need for more economical Administration, and urges the Government to lay down a definite policy for the limitation of national expenditure to an amount dependent on national income,"—(Mr. Godfrey Locker-Lampson)—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
| Lord Edmund Talbot | 128 |
| Dudley Ward | |

Tellers for the
| Godfrey Locker-Lampson | 92 |
| Mr. Mosley | |

So it was resolved in the Affirmative.

And the Main Question being put:
Ordered, That Mr. Speaker do now leave the Chair.

The House accordingly resolved itself into the Committee of Supply.

(In the Committee.)

Civil Services and Revenue Departments Estimates, 1921—22.

Class I.

Motion made, and Question proposed, That a sum not exceeding £89,800 be granted to His Majesty, to complete the sum necessary to defray the charge which will come in course of payment during the year ending on the 31st day of March 1922 for 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. Hilton Young)—put, and agreed to.

Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair; and the Deputy Chairman acquainted the House, That the Committee had made Progress in the matter to them referred; and that he was directed to move, That the Committee may have leave to sit again.

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

The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Public Health (Tuberculosis) Bill:

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

The Order of the day being read, for the Housing Bill;

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

The Order of the day being read, for the Revenue Bill;

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

The House, according to Order, resolved itself into a Committee on the Army and Air Force (Annual) Bill:

(In the Committee.)

Clauses No. 1 to No. 3 agreed to.

Clause No. 4 (Amendment of s. 180).

Amendment proposed, in p. 4, l. 4, at the end, to add the words "or an officer may require that his complaint be referred to a military court of appeal."—(Colonel Sir Charles Yates.)

Question put, That those words be there added.

The Committee divided.

Tellers for the
| Colonel Sir Charles | 58 |
| John Jones | |

Tellers for the
| Lord Edmund Talbot | 134 |
| Dudley Ward | |

Clause agreed to.

Clauses No. 5 to No. 8 agreed to.

Clause No. 9 (Amendments of s. 145).

Amendment proposed, in p. 5, l. 12, after the word "children," to insert the words "whether legitimate or illegitimate."—(Mr. Neville Chamberlain.)

Question put, That those words be there inserted.

The Committee divided.

Tellers for the
| Neville Chamberlain | 77 |
| Major Mackenzie Wood | |

Tellers for the
| Lord Edmund Talbot | 102 |
| Dudley Ward | |

Clause agreed to.

Clauses No. 10 and No. 11 agreed to.

A Clause (Courts-martial (right of appeal))—(Major Christopher Listher)—brought up, and read the first time.

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

The Committee divided.

Tellers for the
| Major Christopher | 63 |
| Charles Edwards | |

Tellers for the
| Lord Edmund Talbot | 161 |
| Mr. McCarthy | |

Another Clause (Amendment of Army Act, s. 48) — (Captain Thorpe)—brought up, and read the first time.
Treaty of Peace (Hungary) Bill.

Ways and Means.

Minimum Wage (Temporary Suspension) Bill.

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

The Order of the day being read, for the Merchant Shipping Bill (No. 2) Bill;

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

The Order of the day being read, for the Local Elections (Proportional Representation) Bill [Lords];

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

The Order of the day being read, for the Parliament Act, 1911 (Repeal), Bill;

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

The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Parliament Act, 1909 Amendment Bill;

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

The Order of the day being read, for the Captive Birds Shooting (Prohibition) 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 Merchant Shipping Bill;

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

The Merchant Shipping Bill was, according to Order, read a second time, and committed to a Standing Committee.

And it being after half-past Eleven of the Adjournment, the clock on Monday evening, Mr. Deputy Speaker adjourned the House without Question put, pursuant to the Standing Order, it being then three minutes after Twelve of the clock on Tuesday morning, till this day.

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

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time.

PRAYERS.

Mr. Speaker laid upon the Table,—Report Private Bills from one of the Examiners of Petitions for (Lords) (Standing Orders not previously complied with);

Westminster City Council (General Powers) Bill [Lords];

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time.
Mr. Speaker laid upon the Table,—Report from one of the Examiners of Petitions for Private Bills, That in the case of the Petition for additional Provision in the following Bill, the Standing Orders have not been complied with, viz.:

**Coventry Corporation Bill.**

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

The Ionian Bank Bill [Lords] was read a second time, and committed.

**Mr. Hilton Young** presented, by His Majesty's Command,—Estimate of a further sum required to be voted for the Civil Services for the year ending 31st March 1922.

Copy of Statement relating to the employment of Ex-Service Men employed in Government Offices.

**Mr. Hilton Young** also presented, pursuant to the directions of an Act of Parliament,—Copy of Appropriation Accounts of the sums granted by Parliament for certain Unclassified Civil Services for the year ended 31st March 1920, with the Reports of the Comptroller and Auditor General thereon.

**Ordered,** That the said Estimate be referred to the Committee of Supply and be printed; that the said Papers do lie upon the Table, and that the Paper relative to Civil Services ( Appropriation Accounts) be printed.

**Mr. Attorney General** presented, pursuant to Standing Order 175a,—Copy of Report by the Attorney General on the Burnley Corporation Bill.

**Ordered,** That the Report be referred to the Committee on the Bill.

**Mr. Cecil Hornsowrth** presented, by His Majesty's Command,—Copy of Agreement between Great Britain and Greece relating to the suppression of the Capitulations in Egypt (Athens, 22nd August—4th September 1920).

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

**Statistical Abstract (United Kingdom).**

**Sir William Mitchell-Thomas** also presented, pursuant to the directions of an Act of Parliament,—Copy of Thirty-eighth Report of the Controller-General of Patents, Designs, and Trade Marks, with Appendices, for the year 1920.

**Ordered,** That the said Papers do lie upon the Table, and that the Paper relative to Patents, Designs, and Trade Marks be printed.

**Supreme Court (Rulers).**

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 Supreme Court Funds Rules, 1921, dated 24th March 1921.

**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 Chester (Edisbury Division), in the room of Major Harry Barnston, who, since his Election as such Member, hath accepted the Office of Controller of His Majesty's Household. 

**Lords**

Sir Halford Mackinder reported from Standing Committee D, to whom the Docking of Horses Bill was referred; That they had gone through the Bill, and had directed him to report the same, without Amendment, to the House.

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

**Ordered,** That the Minutes of the Proceedings of the Standing Committee be printed.

**Ordered,** That the Bill, not amended in the Standing Committee, be taken into consideration upon Monday next.

Sir Halford Mackinder reported from Standing Committee D, to whom the Perforating Animals (Prohibition) Bill was referred; That they had gone through the Bill and made Amendments thereto.

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

**Ordered,** That the Bill, as amended in the Standing Committee, be taken into consideration upon Friday the 3rd day of June next; and be printed.

Sir Francis Blake reported from the Committee of Supply and the Estimates of a further sum required for the Office of Controller of His Majesty's Household.

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

**Sir William Middlesbrough** reported from the Local Legislation Committee; That in the case of the County of Chester Corporation Bill they had examined the allegations contained in the Preamble of the Bill, and amended the same so as to make it consistent with the provisions of the Bill as passed by the Committee, and found the same, as amended, to be true; and had gone through the Bill and made Amendments thereto.

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

Sir Samuel Roberts reported from the Committee of Selection; That they had added the following Member to Standing Committee A:—

Mr. Dennis Herbert.

**Standing Committee A.**

Sir Samuel Roberts further reported from the Standing Committee; That they had added the following Nine Members to Standing Committee A (in respect of the Police Pensions Bill and the Greenwich Hospital Bill):—

**Mr. James Bell,** Mr. Neville Chamberlain, Mr. Munro, Mr. Solicitor General, and Mr. Secretary.
The House, according to Order, resolved itself into the Committee of Supply. (In the Committee.)

Civil Services and Revenue Departments Estimates, 1921-22.

Class IV.

1. Motion made, and Question proposed, That a sum not exceeding £28,014,665 be granted to His Majesty, to complete the sum necessary to defray the charge which will come in course of payment during the year ending on the 31st day of March 1922 for the Salaries and Expenses of the Board of Education and of the various Establishments connected therewith, including sundry Grants in Aid:

Whereupon Motion made, and Question, That £28,014,665 be granted for the said Services—(Mr. Irving)—put and negatived.

Original Question put, and agreed to.

2. £206,209 for Grants in aid of the Expenses of certain Universities, Colleges, Medical Schools, &c., in the United Kingdom, and of the Expenses under the Welsh Intermediate Education Act, 1889.

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 Deputy Chairman reported, That the Committee had come to several Resolutions.

Ordered, That the Report be received to-morrow.

The Deputy Chairman also acquainted the House, That he was directed to move, That the Committee may have leave to sit again.

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

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

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

The Order of the day being read, for the Public Health Second Reading of the Public Health (Tuberculosis) Bill;

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

The Order of the day being read, for the Housing Bill;

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

The Order of the day being read, for the Reserve Forces (Admiralty) Bill;

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

The Order of the day being read, for the Revenue 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 Treaty of Peace (Hungary) Bill;

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

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

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

The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Ministry of Transport (Transfer of Railways) Bill:

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

The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Importation of Plumage (Prohibition) (No. 3) Bill;

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

The Order of the day being read, for the Prevention of Unemployment Bill;

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

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

Distribution by Mr. Speaker, pursuant to Standing Order No. 47, of Bills committed to a Standing Committee.

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Wednesday, 13th April 1921.

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

PRAYERS.

A BILL, to regulate the expenditure on capital account and lending of money by the London County Council during the financial period from the first day of April, one thousand nine hundred and twenty-one, to the thirtieth day of September, one thousand nine hundred and twenty-two, and for other purposes, was presented, and read the first time; and referred to the Examiners of Petitions for Private Bills.

Sir Alfred Mond presented a Bill to confirm certain Provisional Orders of the Minister of Health relating to Chalderton, Glossop, Ilfracombe, Kettering, Padiham, and the North Staffordshire Joint Smallpox Hospital District; and the same was read the first time.

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

Sir Arthur Griffith-Boscawen presented, by Exportation of His Majesty's Command,—Copy of Report to the Ministry of Agriculture and Fisheries on the circumstances attending the exportation of Horses to the Continent.

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

Mr. Secretary Shortt presented, pursuant to a notification of the directions of an Act of Parliament,—Copy of Report of the Inspector under the Inebriates Acts, 1879 to 1909, for the year 1920.

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

Sir William Mitchell-Thomson presented, pursuant to a notification of the directions of an Act of Parliament, Companies (Capital Distribution by Mr. Speaker, pursuant to the directions of the House of Lords) Act, 1920.

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

Secretary Sir Laming Worthington-Evans presented, pursuant to a notification of the directions of an Act of Parliament, Companies (Capital Act, 1920)

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

The following Paper, pursuant to a notification of the directions of an Act of Parliament, was laid upon the Table by the Clerk of the House:—Copy of Scheme made by the Army Council for the establishment and constitution of an Association for the county of Lanark under the Territorial and Reserve Forces Act, 1907.

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

The Order made upon the 15th day of March Agriculture as a 'e Paper re a live o agricul'tre o Act, 1920, do lie upon the Table, was read, and discharged.

Ordered, That the Paper be withdrawn.

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

The Lords have passed a Bill, intited An Act to confer further powers on the Falmouth Docks Bill, Lords.]

The Lords have passed a Bill, intitled An Act to authorize the Mayor, Aldermen, and Corporation of Burgessos of the borough of Nelson to provide and work motor omnibuses; to make further provision with regard to the supply of electricity, with regard to the health, local government, and improvement of the borough; the consolidation of the rates in the borough, and for other purposes; to which the Lords desire the concurrence of this House.

The Lords have passed a Bill, intitled An Falmouth Docks Bill, Lords.]

The Lords have appointed a Committee consisting of Four Lords to join with a Committee Bill, Lords.] of the Commons to consider the Taf Fechan Valley Water Board, Taf Fechan Water Supply, Rhymney Valley Water Board, and Rhymney
11 Geo. V. 13th April.

and Aber Valleys Gas and Water Bills [Lords], and request the Commons to appoint an equal number of their Members to be joined with the said Lords.

The Lords concur with the Commons in their Resolution, communicated to them on Tuesday the 12th day of this instant April, that it is expedient that the Metropolitan Water Board (Charges), Thames Conservancy, and Lee Conservancy Bills be committed to a Joint Committee of the Lords and Commons.

Falmouth Docks Bill [Lords.] The Falmouth Docks Bill [Lords] was read the first time.

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

Nelson Corporation Bill [Lords.] The Nelson Corporation Bill [Lords] was read the first time.

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

Standing Committees (Chairman's Panel.)

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

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

Lympington Rural District Council

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

Mr. Speaker laid upon the Table,—Report Provisional from one of the Examiners of Petitions for Order Bills Private Bills, That in the case of the following Bill, referred on the First Reading thereof, no Standing Orders are applicable, viz.:

Ministry of Health Provisional Orders (No. 2) Bill

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

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

Ministry of Health Provisional Orders (No. 1) Bill

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

The House was moved, That the Resolution Water of the House of the 7th day of this instant April, (Charges) relative to the Metropolitan Water Board (Charges) Bill, the Thames Conservancy Bill, and the Lee Conservancy Bill, which was ordered to be communicated to the Lords, and the Lords' Message of the 13th day of this instant April, signifying their concurrence in the said Resolution might be read; and the same being read, as follow:

That it is expedient that the Metropolitan Water Board (Charges) Bill, the Thames Conservancy Bill, and the Lee Conservancy Bill be committed to a Joint Committee of Lords and Commons.

The Lords concur with the Commons in their Resolution, communicated to them on Tuesday the 12th day of this instant April, That it is expedient that the Metropolitan Water Board (Charges) Bill, the Thames Conservancy Bill, and the Lee Conservancy Bill be committed to a Joint Committee of Lords and Commons.

The Orders made upon the 7th day of this instant April, that the Metropolitan Water Board (Charges) Bill, the Thames Conservancy Bill, and the Lee Conservancy Bill be committed to a Standing Committee, were read, and discharged.

Ordered, That the said Bills be committed to a Select Committee of Four Members, to be joined with a Committee of Four Lords, (The Chairman of Ways and Means.)

Ordered, That a Message be sent to the Lords to acquaint them therewith: And that the Clerk do carry the said Message.
Order of the Day — Agriculture (Amendment) Bill.

Mr. Muir presented a Bill to confirm a Provisional Order under the Burgh Police (Scotland) Act, 1889, relating to Perth Burgh (General Assessment: And the same was read the first time.

Order, That the Bill be referred to the Examiners of Petitions for Private Bills; and be printed.

Sir Arthur Griffith-Boscawen presented, by His Majesty's Command, — Copy of Statement showing the effect of the Amendments proposed to be made by the Agriculture (Amendment) Bill.

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

Mr. Hilton Young presented, by His Majesty's Command, — Copy of Treasury Minute, dated 24th March 1921, relative to the German Re-paration (Recovery) Act, 1921.

Mr. Hilton Young also presented, pursuant to the directions of an Act of Parliament, — Abstract Account of Receipts and Payments of the Treasury Solicitor, in the year ended 31st December, 1920, in the Administration of Estates on behalf of the Crown, and Alphabetical List Vol. 178.

The Lords have passed a Bill, intituled An Early Urban Act to enable the Early Urban District Council of the Taf Fechan Valley Water Board Bill (Lords), the Taf Fechan Water Supply Bill (Lords), the Rhymney Valley Water Board Bill (Lords), and the Rhymney and Aber Valleys Gas and Water Bill (Lords), to be taken into consideration. — (The Chairman of Ways and Means.)

Order, That a Select Committee of Four Members be appointed to join with the Committee of the Lords to consider the Taf Fechan Valley Water Board Bill (Lords), the Taf Fechan Water Supply Bill (Lords), the Rhymney Valley Water Board Bill (Lords), and the Rhymney and Aber Valleys Gas and Water Bill (Lords), as requested by their Lordships. — (The Chairman of Ways and Means.)

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

Order, That the Committee be nominated by the Committee of Selection.

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

Order, That Three be the quorum of the Committee. — (The Chairman of Ways and Means.)

Mr. John Wilson reported from the Standing Chairman's Panel; that they had appointed Sir William Watson Rutherford to act as Chairman of the Standing Committee B (in respect of the Public Health (Tuberculosis) Bill).

Order, That the Report do lie upon the Table.

Mr. Hodge reported from Standing Committee D, to whom the Health Reseas and Watering Places Bill was referred: That they had gone through the Bill, and had directed him to report the same, without Amendment, to the House.

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

Order, That the Minutes of the Proceedings of the Standing Committee be printed.

Order, That the Bill, not amended in the Standing Committee, be taken into consideration upon Monday next.

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

The Lords have passed a Bill, intituled An Early Urban Act to enable the Early Urban District Council to acquire the undertakings of the Early Urban Company, Limited, and the Kelbrook Water Company, Limited, and to make further provision in regard to the water supply of the district, and for other purposes; to which the Lords desire the concurrence of this House.

The Lords have passed a Bill, intituled An East Act to confer additional powers upon the North Eastern Railway Company for the construction of new railways and other works and the
acquisition of lands; to authorise the said company and the Hull and Barnsley Railway Company to acquire lands and property and a portion of the undertaking of the Hedon Haven Commissioners; to extend the time limited by certain Acts for the completion of works and for the compulsory purchase of lands, and for other purposes; to which the Lords desire the concurrence of this House.

The Early Urban District Council Bill [Lords] was read the first time.

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

The North Eastern Railway Bill [Lords] was read the first time.

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

The Chairman of Ways and Means reported the Corporation of London (Bridge) Bill [Lords], without Amendment.

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

The Chairman of Ways and Means reported the South Metropolitan Gas Bill [Lords], with Amendments.

Ordered, That the Report do lie upon the Table.

Colonel Jackson reported from the Committee on Group B of Private Bills; That, for the convenience of parties, the Committee had adjourned till Tuesday next, at Eleven of the clock.

Ordered, That the Report do lie upon the Table.

Colonel Jackson reported from the Committee on Group B of Private Bills; That the parties opposing the Croydon Corporation Water Bill had stated that the evidence of Mr. H. E. Stilgoe, Chief Engineer to the Metropolitan Water Board was essential to their case; and, it having been proved that his attendance could not be procured without the intervention of the House, he had been instructed to move that the said Mr. H. E. Stilgoe do attend the said Committee during the further proceedings on the Croydon Corporation Water Bill.

Ordered, That Mr. H. E. Stilgoe do attend the said Committee during the further proceedings on the Croydon Corporation Water Bill.

Sir Francis Blake reported from the Committee on Group C of Private Bills; That, for the convenience of parties, the Committee had adjourned till Tuesday next, at Eleven of the clock.

Ordered, That the Report do lie upon the Table.

Ordered, That the proceedings in Committee on Public Health (Tuberculosis) [Expenses] be exempted at this day's Sitting from the provisions of the Standing Order (Sittings of the House), and may, notwithstanding anything in Standing Order No. 15, be taken before Eleven of the clock. —(Mr. Austen Chamberlain.)

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

(In the Committee.)

Civil Services Estimates, and Supplementary Estimates, 1921-22.

Class II.

1. £307,900 to complete the sum for the Salaries and Expenses of the Office of the Commissioners of His Majesty's Works and Public Buildings:

Resolution to be reported.

And it being a quarter-past Eight of the clock, and there being Private Business set down by direction of the Chairman of Ways and Means under Standing Order No. 8, further Proceeding was postponed without Question put.

The Order of the day being read, for the Durham County Transport 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.”—(Captain Bowyer.)

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. Robert Richardson, )

Yeas, 46.

Tellers for the ( Mr. Lawson; )

Nos, 112.

So it passed in the Negative.

And the Question being put, That the words “upon this day six months” be added at the end of the Question:—It was resolved in the Affirmative.

Then the Main Question, so amended, being put;

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time upon this day six months.

Postponed Proceeding resumed.

Motion made, and Question proposed, That a Supply sum not exceeding £42,589 (including a supplementary sum of £6,050) 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 1922 for the Salary of the Minister without Portfolio, and Salaries and Expenses of the Cabinet Offices and of the Committee of Imperial Defence, including the cost of preparation of War Histories:
11 Geo. V. 14th—15th April.

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

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

Ordered, That the Report be received tomorrow.

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

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

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

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

The House, according to Order, resolved itself into a Committee on Public Health (Tuberculosis) [Expenses].

(In the Committee.)

Resolved, That it is expedient to make provision for the payment, in the first instance out of moneys provided by Parliament, of any expenses incurred by the Minister of Health in arranging for the treatment of tuberculosis under any Act of the present Session, to make further provision with respect to arrangements by local authorities for the treatment of tuberculosis, subject, however, to power being conferred on the Minister to recover any amounts so paid from local authorities failing to make such arrangements.—(Sir Alfred Mond.)

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 of Reserve Forces (Address);

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

The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Housing 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 Electricity (Supply) 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 Revenue Bill;

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

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 Treaty of Peace (Hungary) Bill;

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

Resolved, That the Ministry of Health (Factories and Workshops, Transfer of Powers) Bill, was, according to Order, read a second time, and committed to a Standing Committee.

The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Local Elections (Proportional Representation) Bill [Lords];

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

The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Treaty of Peace, 1911 Act, 1911 (Repeal) Bill;

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

The Public Health (Officers) (No. 2) Bill was, according to Order, read a second time, and committed to a Standing Committee.

The Order of the day being read, for the Local Elections (Proportional Representation) Bill [Lords];

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

Ordered, That, Lieutenant-Colonel Guinness Public Accounts, be added to the Committee of Public Accounts, Accounts. 

—(Colonel Gibbs.)

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

STANDING COMMITTEES.

Distribution by Mr. Speaker, pursuant to Standing Orders No. 47, of Bills committed to a Standing Committee.

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[No. 40.]

Friday, 15th April 1921.

The House met at Twelve of the clock.

PRAYERS.

The Ministry of Health Provisional Orders (No. 1) Bill was, according to Order, read a second time, and committed.

The Ministry of Health Provisional Orders (No. 2) Bill was, according to Order, read a second time, and committed.

Mr. Hilton Young presented, by His Majesty's Command,—Copy of Report of the General Manager to the Central Control Board (Liquor Traffic) with reference to the Carlisle and District Direct Control Area for the year 1920.
Ordered, That the said Paper do lie upon the Table.

New Member sworn.

Lieutenant-Colonel Sir John Gilmore, Baronet, D.S.O., Member for the Burgh of Glasgow (Pollok Division) was sworn.

Corn Sales Bill.
The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Corn Sales 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. Heald.)

And the Question being put, That the word "now" stand part of the Question:—It was resolved in the Affirmative.

The Bill was read a second time, and committed to a Standing Committee.

The Tithe Annuites Apportionment Bill was, according to Order, read a second time, and committed to a Standing Committee.

Sex Disqualification (Removal) Act (1919) Amendment (No. 2) Bill:

And notice being taken at Two of the clock that Forty Members were not present, the House was told by Mr. Speaker, and Nineteen Members being present, Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair; and it not being Four of the clock, Mr. Speaker retired from the Chair; and it not being Four of the clock, and only being present, Mr. Speaker retired from the Chair; and it not being Four of the clock, and only being present, Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair.

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

And accordingly the House, having continued to sit till twenty-seven minutes after Four of the clock, adjourned till Monday next.

STANDING COMMITTEES.
Distribution by Mr. Speaker, pursuant to Standing Order No. 47, of Bills committed to a Standing Committee.

Name of Bill | Standing Committee
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Public Health Officers (No. 2) Bill | D.

Monday, 18th April 1921.
The House met at a quarter of an hour before Three of the clock.

PRAYERS.

ORDERED, That the Corporation of London (Bridge) Bill [Lords] be read the third time to-morrow.

The House proceeded to take into consideration the Chatham and District Light Railways Company Bill [Lords], not amended in the Committee.

Ordered, That the Bill be read the third time.

Ordered, That the Saint Helens Corporation Bill, as amended in the Committee, be taken into consideration upon Wednesday next.

The Westminster City Council (General Powers) Bill [Lords] was read a second time, and committed.

The Order made upon the 10th day of December, 1920, in the last Session of Parliament, That the Paper relative to Friendly Societies, &c., be printed, was read and discharged.

Mr. Hilton Young presented, pursuant to the Bankruptcy directions of several Acts of Parliament,—Act, 1914—(Proceedings) Account showing the Receipts and Expenditure on account of Bankruptcy Proceedings during the year ended 31st March 1921.

Account showing Receipts and Expenditure Companies on account of Proceedings in connection with (Consolidation) Act, 1906, during the year ended 31st March 1921.

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

Mr. Secretary Shortt presented, pursuant to the directions of an Act of Parliament,—Copy (Engaged and of Order made by the Secretary of State for Wales) of the Diseases of Animals Acts, entitled the Home Department, for the discontinuance of Devices Prison.

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

Sir Arthur Griffith-Boscawen presented pursuant to the directions of an Act of Parliament,—Copy (Engaged and of Order made by the Secretary of State for Wales) of the Diseases of Animals Acts, entitled the Manchester (Landing of Animals) Order of 1921.

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

Sir Hamar Greenwood presented, pursuant to the directions of an Act of Parliament,—Copy (Engaged and of Order made by the Secretary of State for Wales) of the Irish Insurance Commissioners, entitled the (Ireland) National Health Insurance, (Decision of Questions) Regulations (Ireland), 1921.

Ordered, That the said Paper do lie upon the Table.
Mr. Cecil Harmsworth presented, by His Majesty’s Command,—Copy of Recognition by His Majesty’s Government of the Treaty of Rapallo of 12th November 1920 between the Kingdom of Italy and the Kingdom of the Serbs, Croats, and Slovenes.

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

Sir William Mitchell-Thomson presented, pursuant to the directions of an Act of Parliament, a Copy of Report on an application by the Brentwood Gas Company to the Board of Trade under the Public Utility Companies (Capital Issues) Act, 1920.

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

Mr. Amery presented, by His Majesty’s Command,—Copy of Statement showing the probable effect on the Programme of Shipbuilding, Repairs, Alterations, Maintenance, &c., due to Supplementary Estimate, Re-appropriation of Cash Provision, &c.

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

The following Papers, pursuant to the directions of an Act of Parliament, were laid upon the Table by the Clerk of the House:

Supreme Court (Rules).—Copy of the Rules of the Supreme Court (Indemnity Act), 1921, dated 11th April 1921.

Supreme Court (Rules).—Copy of the Rules of the Supreme Court (Costs No. 1, Rules), dated 11th April 1921.

Supreme Court (Rules).—Copy of the National Health Insurance (Procedure on Appeal) Rules, 1921, dated 11th April, 1921, made by the Rule Committee of the Supreme Court.

Supreme Court (Rules).—Copy of the Unemployment Insurance Act Rules, 1921, dated 11th April 1921, made by the Rule Committee of the Supreme Court.

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 West Sussex (Chichester Division), in the room of the Right Honourable Lord Edward Bernard Talbot, C.G.V.O., D.S.O., 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.—(Colonel Leslie Wilson.)

Sir Samuel Roberts reported from the Committee of Selection; That they had discharged the following Members from Standing Committee D:—Major Hennessy and Sir Samuel Hibbert; and had appointed in substitution, Viscountess Austin and Mr. Secretary Shortt.

Ordered, That the Report do lie upon the Table.

The House, according to Order, resolved itself into the Committee of Supply, 18th April. (In the Committee.)

Army Supplementary Estimate, 1921-22.

1. Motion made, and Question proposed, That an additional number of Land Forces not exceeding 300,000, 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, for the year ending on the 31st day of March 1922:

Whereupon Motion made, and Question put, That an additional number of Land Forces, not exceeding 200,000, be maintained for the said Service.—(Major Barnes.)

The Committee divided.

Tellers for the (Mr. Arthur Henderson, ) 50.
Yeas, (Mr. Hogge : ) 199.

Tellers for the (Colonel Leslie Wilson , )
Noes, (Mr. McCurdy : ) 901.

Original Question put.

The Committee divided.

Tellers for the ( Mr. McCurdy, )
Yeas, ( Colonel Leslie Wilson : ) 44.

Tellers for the ( Mr. Griffiths, )
Noes, ( Mr. Neil Maclean : ) 197.

Air Supplementary Estimate, 1921-22.

2. Motion made, and Question put, That an additional number of Air Forces not exceeding 10,000, all ranks, be maintained for the Service of the United Kingdom of Great Britain and Ireland at Home and Abroad, exclusive of those serving in India, during the year ending on the 31st day of March 1922.

The Committee divided.

Tellers for the ( Mr. McCurdy, )
Yeas, ( Colonel Leslie Wilson : ) 46.

Tellers for the ( Mr. Griffiths, )
Noes, ( Mr. Neil Maclean : ) 197.

Navy Supplementary Estimate, 1921-22.

3. Motion made, and Question proposed, That an additional number of Officers and Men not exceeding 25,000, be employed for the Sea and Coast Guard Services borne on the books of His Majesty’s Ships and at the Royal Marine Division for the year ending on the 31st day of March 1922.—Debate arising;

Mr. Austen Chamberlain rose in his place and claimed to move, That the Question be now put.

Question put, That the Question be now put.

The Committee divided.

Tellers for the (Colonel Leslie Wilson , )
Yeas, (Mr. McCurdy : ) 194.

Tellers for the (Mr. Hogge, )
Noes, (Mr. Charles White : ) 45.

Question put accordingly.

The Committee divided.

Tellers for the ( Colonel Leslie Wilson, )
Yeas, ( Mr. McCurdy : ) 194.

Tellers for the ( Mr. Hogge, )
Noes, ( Mr. Neil Maclean : ) 45.

Resolutions to be reported.

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

Ordered, That the Report be received to-morrow.

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

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

The Order of the day being read, for receiving the Report from the Committee of Supply of the 14th day of this instant April;

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.

Housing Bill

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

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

Revenue Bill

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

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

Treaty of Peace

The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Treaty of Peace (Hungary) Bill;

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

Public Health

Colonel Leslie Wilson reported from the Committee on Public Health (Tuberculosis) [Expenses] a Resolution which was read, as followeth:

That it is expedient to make provision for the payment, in the first instance out of moneys provided by Parliament, of any expenses incurred by the Minister of Health in arranging for the treatment of tuberculosis under any Act of the present Session, to make further provision with respect to arrangements by local authorities for the treatment of tuberculosis, subject, however, to power being conferred on the Minister to recover any amounts so paid from local authorities failing to make such arrangements.

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

Reserve Forces

The Order of the day being read, for resuming the adjourned Debate on the Question proposed upon the 11th day of this instant April, That an humble Address be presented to His Majesty thanking His Majesty for His Most Gracious Message communicating to this House His Majesty's intentions with respect to the Reserve Forces;

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

Electricity

The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Electricity (Supply) 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 Capital Punishment (Limitations) Bill;

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

The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Minimum Wage (Temporary Suspension) Bill;

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

The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Merchant Shipping (No. 2) Bill;

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

The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Sex Disqualification (Removal) Act (1919) 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 Increase of Rent (Restrictions) 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 Ministry of Transport (Transfer of Railways) 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 Prevention of Unemployment Bill;

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

The House, according to Order, proceeded to consider the Standing Committee;

Ordered, That the Bill be read the third time upon Tuesday the 26th day of this instant April.

The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Parliament Act, 1911 (Repeal) Bill;

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

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

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time upon Wednesday the 27th day of this instant April.

And then the House, having continued to Adjournment, sit till twenty-seven minutes after Eleven of the clock, adjourned till to-morrow.
STANDING COMMITTEES.

Distribution by Mr. Speaker, pursuant to Standing Order No. 47, of Bills committed to a Standing Committee.

Name of Bill | Standing Committee
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Corn Sales Bill | D
Tithe Annuities Apportionment Bill | D

[No. 42.]

Tuesday, 19th April 1921.

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

PRAYERS.

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

West Ham Corporation [Lords].

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

Mr. Speaker laid upon the Table—Report from one of the Examiners of Petitions for Private Bills, That in the case of the following Bills, 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.—

Falmouth Docks Bill [Lords].
North Eastern Railway Bill [Lords].
Earby Urban District Council Bill [Lords].
Nelson Corporation Bill [Lords].

Ordered, That the Bills be read a second time.

The Corporation of London (Bridge) 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.

Dr. Macnamara presented, by His Majesty's Command,—Copy of Statistics of Standard Time Rates of Wages and Hours of Labour in the United Kingdom at 31st December 1920.

Dr. Macnamara also presented, pursuant to the directions of an Act of Parliament—Copy of the Unemployment Insurance (Courses of Instruction) (Ireland) Regulations, 1921, made by the Minister of Labour under the Unemployment Insurance Act, 1920.

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


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Copy of Seven Orders in Council, dated 24th March and 5th April 1921, under the Naval and Marine Pay and Pensions Act, 1895.

Copy of Order in Council under the Restoration of Orders in Ireland Act, 1920, dated 5th April 1921, further amending the Restoration of Order in Ireland Regulations.

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

Mr. Secretary Guest presented, by His Majesty's Command,—Estimate of the further (Supplementary) Sum required to be voted for the Royal Air Force for the year ending 31st March 1922.

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

Ordered, That there be laid before this House an Account of the Receipts and Payments of Money, under the Air Force Act, 1921, and the Assistant Paymaster General for Supreme Court business on behalf of the Admiralty, 1919-20.

Division Prize for the year ended the 31st day of March 1920, and for the period 4th day of August 1914 to 31st day of March 1920; together with Copy of Correspondence with the Comptroller and Auditor General thereon.—(Mr. Hilton Young.)

Sir Samuel Roberts reported from the Committee of Selection that they had added the following Four Members to Standing Committee B (in respect of the Public Health Committee B) [Tuberculosis) Bill:—Mr. Copse, Major David Davies, Mr. Evan Davies, Captain Elliott, Mr. Forrester-Walker, Mr. Hinds, Major Molson, Sir Alfred Mond, Sir Herbert Nield, Lieutenant-Colonel Rea, Mr. Robert Richardson, Sir Robert Thomas, Mr. Trenchy Thomson, Lieutenant-Colonel Sir Alfred Warren, and Sir Kingsley Wood.

Sir Samuel Roberts further reported from the Joint Committee; That they had nominated the following Four Members to serve on the Joint Committee of Lords and Commons on Gas and Water Bills:—Mr. Neville Chamberlain, Major Farguharson, Mr. Lindsay, and Mr. Rose.

Sir Samuel Roberts further reported from the Joint Committee; That they had nominated the following Four Members to serve on the Joint Committee of Lords and Commons on Gas and Water Bills:—Lieutenant-Colonel Bell, Sir Reginald Blair, Mr. Tyson Wilson, and Sir Alfred Yeoo.

Sir Samuel Roberts further reported from Standing Committee C, That they had added the following Ten Members to Standing Committee D (in respect of the Captive Birds Shooting (Prohibition) Bill):—Sir John Baird, Sir Frederick Bannaby, Mr. Betterton, Mr. James Brown, Sir John Butcher, Sir Robert Burton Chadwick, Mr. Frederich Green, Mr. Kiley, Mr. Lawson, and Mr. Charles White.

Sir Samuel Roberts further reported from the Standing Committee C, That they had added the following Four Members to Standing Committee D (in respect of the Merchant Shipping Bill):—Captain Vincent Carbon, Mr. Hayday, Sir William Joynoon-Hicks, Sir William Mitchell-Thomson, Sir Herbert Nield, Major Palmer, Sir William Reckharm, Sir Robert Thomas, Mr. Tillett, and Mr. Amerin Williams.

Sir Samuel Roberts further reported from Standing Committee C, That they had added the following Fifteen Members to Standing Committee D (in respect of the Importation of Plumage (Prohibition) (No. 3) Bill):—
Colonel Archer-Shew, Captain Wedgwood Benn, Captain Brown, Sir John Butcher, Mr. Cairns, Sir Godfrey Collins, Mr. Bartley Dempsey, Mr. Kennedy, Mr. Kitto, Sir Philip Lloyd-Greame, Mr. Secretary Montagu, Sir Charles Townshend, Lieutenant-Colonel Dalrymple White, and Colonel Sir Charles Yate.

Standing Committee D.

Sir Samuel Roberts further reported from the Committee: That they had added the following Ten Members to Standing Committee D (in respect of the Public Health (Officers) (No. 2) Bill):—Major Barnes, Sir William Barton, Mr. Bromfield, Sir Henry Crick, Sir Philip Maynou, Sir Alfred Mond, Mr. John Murray, Mr. Myers, Mr. Samuel Roberts, and Sir Kingsley Wood.

Standing Committee D.

Sir Samuel Roberts further reported from the Committee: That they had added the following Fourteen Members to Standing Committee D (in respect of the Corn Sales Bill and the Tithe Apportionment Bill):—Sir Edward Beauchamp, Sir Arthur Griffith-Boscawen, Mr. Cauley, Brigadier-General Colin, Major David Davies, Mr. George Edwards, Mr. Gardiner, Mr. Hallwood, Major Hayward, Mr. Lane-Fox, Mr. Pretyman, Mr. Rogers, Lieutenant-Colonel Royds, and Sir Courtney Warner.

Ordered, That the Reports do lie upon the Table.

Lieutenant-Colonel Arthur Murray, supported by Colonel Burn, Mr. William Graham, Colonel Greg, Mr. Murray Macfowld, Mr. Lindsay, Mr. Frederick Thomson, Mr. Macallum Scott, Mr. Wallace, and Major Macbeanie Wood, presented a Bill to amend the Protection of Animals (Scotland) Act, 1912: And the same was ordered to be read a second time upon Tuesday next; and to be printed.

Mr. Broad, supported by Mr. John Murray, Mr. Briant, Captain Tudor-Ross, and Mr. Gange, presented a Bill to promote Temperance in England and Wales by conferring on the parliametary electors in prescribed areas the power over the grant and renewal of licences for the sale of intoxicating liquors and to amend the Law relating to the sale of such liquors on licensed premises and clubs, with other provisions incidental thereto: And the same was ordered to be read a second time upon Tuesday the 3rd day of May next; and to be printed.

Mr. Arthur Michael Samuel, supported by Sir Robert Rosburn, Sir Robert Burton Chadwick, Colonel Archer-Shew, Mr. Alexander Richardson, Brigadier-General Cockrell, and Sir Charles Townshend, presented a Bill to provide that when a ballot of trade union members is taken on questions relating to strikes it shall be conducted by independent officials and under a system of secrecy: And the same was ordered to be read a second time upon Tuesday the 3rd day of May next; and to be printed.

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

(A in the Committee.)

Civil Services and Revenue Departments Estimates, 1921-22.

Class I.

1. £1,711,505 to complete the sum for the Salaries and Expenses of the Ministry of Agriculture and Fisheries, including Grants for Agricultural Education and Training, a Grant in Aid of the Small Holdings Account, and certain other Grants in Aid of the Agricultural Wages Board, and of the Royal Botanic Gardens, Kew.

Class I.

2. £178,346 to complete the sum for the Survey of the United Kingdom, and for minor services connected therewith.

Resolutions to be reported.

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

Ordered, That the Report be received to-morrow.

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

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

The Order of the day being read, for receiving the Report from the Committee of Supply of the Resolution on the 14th day of this instant April;

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 Resolution on the 18th day of this instant April;

Ordered, That the Report be received to-morrow.

Ordered, That the Order of the day being read, for the Wages and Committee of Ways and Means;

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

The Order of the day being read, for the Housing Bill:

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

Ordered, That the Order of the day being read, for the Revenue Bill;

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

Ordered, That the Order of the day being read, for the Treaty of Peace;

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

Ordered, That the Order of the day being read, upon the 11th day of this instant April, That an humble Address be presented to His Majesty thanking His Majesty for His Most Gracious Message communicating to this House His Majesty's intentions with respect to the Reserve Forces;

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

The Order of the day being read, for the Electricity (Supply) Bill;

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

Ordered, That the Order of the day being read, for the Reserve Forces the adjourned Debate on the Question proposed (Motion for an Address) upon the 11th day of this instant April, That an humble Address be presented to His Majesty thanking His Majesty for His Most Gracious Message communicating to this House His Majesty’s intentions with respect to the Reserve Forces;

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

Ordered, That the Order of the day being read, for the Reserve Forces;
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Mr. Secretary Shortt presented, by His Majesty's Command,—Copy of Report of the Committee on Child Adoption.

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 (a) Particulars 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 1920, been registered at the Home Office; (b) Information as to any Aliens who have, during the same period, obtained Acts of Naturalisation from the Legislature; and (c) Particulars of cases to which Certificates of Naturalisation have been revoked within the same period (in continuation of Parliamentary Paper, No. 95 of Session 1920).—(Sir John Baird.)

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 Hastings, in the room of Laurence Lyon, 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.—(Colonel Leslie Wilson.)

Sir William Middlebrook reported from the Local Legislation Committee (Section A): That in the case of the Leicester Corporation Bill they had examined the allegations contained in the Preamble of the Bill, and amended the same so as to make it consistent with the provisions of the Bill as passed by the Committee, and found the same, as amended, to be true; and had gone through the Bill and made Amendments thereto; and had amended the Title, as follows:—A Bill to confer further powers upon the Mayor Aldermen and Citizens of the City of Leicester with reference to their gas water and markets undertakings, and for other purposes.

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

Mr. John William Wilson reported from the Standing Select Committee on Standing Orders several Orders: which were read, as follows:

That in the case of the Coventry Corporation Bill, Petition for additional Provision, the Standing Orders ought to be dispensed with; that the parties be permitted to insert their additional Provision if the Committee on the Bill think fit.

That in the case of the Lymington Rural District Council Petition for Bill, the Standing Orders ought to be dispensed with; that the parties be permitted to proceed with their Bill.

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

Mr. Speaker acquainted the House, That a Message from Lord Londonderry had been brought from the Lords by one of their Clerks, as follows:

The Lords have agreed to the Army and Air Force (Annual) Bill, without any Amendment. (Copy (Annual) Bill.)

The Lords have passed a Bill, intituled An Act to confer further powers on the Wandsworth, Wimbledon and Roehampton District Gas Company, and for other purposes, to which the Lords desire Bill [Lords.]

The concurrence of this House.

(0 3)
The Wandsworth, Wimbledon, and Epsom District Gas Bill [Lords] was read the first time.

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

Sir Samuel Roberts reported from the Committee of Selection that they had added the following Member to Standing Committee D:—

Mr. Marsham

Ordered, That the Report do lie upon the Table.

The Order for reading a second time, upon Friday the 29th day of this instant April, the Trade Union Act (1913) Amendment Bill was read, and discharged.

Ordered, That the Bill be withdrawn.

Mr. Gardiner reported from the Local Legislation Committee (Section B) that in the case of the Nuneaton Corporation Bill they had examined the allegations contained in the Preamble of the Bill, and amended the same so as to make it consistent with the provisions of the Bill as passed by the Committee, and found the same, as amended, to be true; and had gone through the Bill and made Amendments thereto; and had amended the Title, as followeth:—A Bill to confirm an agreement between the Corporation of Nuneaton and the Corporation of Leicester with reference to the supply of water in bulk; to empower the Corporation of Nuneaton to construct additional waterworks; to confirm an agreement between the Corporation and the Birmingham and Midland Motor Omnibus Company, Limited; to consolidate the rates of the borough; and to confer further powers upon the Corporation with reference to the health local government and improvement of the borough, and for other purposes.

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

Imprisonment of a Member:

Mr. Speaker informed the House that he had received the following letter relating to the arrest and internment of a Member:—

The Right Honourable
The Speaker,
House of Commons,
London, S.W.1.

Curragh Camp,
Co. Kildare, Ireland,
18th April 1921.

I have the honour to report the arrest, on the 21st November 1920, of Joseph McBride, M.P. for the Parliamentary Division of West Mayo.

Mr. McBride is now interned in the Curragh internment camp, under Regulation 14B of the Restoration of Order in Ireland Act, 1920.

I regret that the Parliamentary procedure to be followed in such cases was not brought to my notice, and that therefore considerable delay has occurred in reporting the case of Mr. McBride's arrest. I have, however, issued instructions to prevent the recurrence of such delay should any further cases of this nature arise within the area under my command.

I have the honour to be,

Sir,
Your obedient servant,
H. S. Juddwine,
Major-General,
Commanding 5th Division.
The Order of the day being read, for the Electricity Second Reading of the Electricity (Supply) (Supply) Bill:

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

Resolved, That an humble Address be presented to His Majesty representing that the state of business in the King's Bench Division of the High Court of Justice requires that a vacancy should be filled in the number of puisne Judges of the King's Bench Division, notwithstanding that the number of those Judges amounts to fifteen or upwards, and praying that His Majesty will be graciously pleased to fill such a vacancy accordingly in pursuance of the Supreme Court of Judicature Act, 1910.—(Mr. Attorney General.)

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.

A Motion being made, That this House will, to-morrow, resolve itself into a Committee to consider of authorising the payment, out of moneys provided by Parliament, of expenses incurred under any Act of the present Session for carrying into effect the Treaty of Peace between His Majesty and Hungary — (Mr. Secretary Shortt);

Mr. Secretary Shortt, by His Majesty's Command, acquainted the House, That His Majesty, having been informed of the subject matter of this Motion, recommends it to the consideration of the House.

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

And it being after half-past Eleven of the Adjournment clock, Mr. Speaker adjourned the House to-morrow, resolve itself into the said Committee.

STANDING COMMITTEES.

Distribution by Mr. Speaker, pursuant to Standing Order No. 47, of Bills committed to a Standing Committee.

Name of Bill.

| Protection of Animals Act (1911) | D. |

Amendment Bill.
21st April. 1921.

The Right Honourable Stanley Baldwin, New Member for the County of Worcester (Bewdley division), was sworn.

Major Harry Barnston, Member for the County of Chester (Eddisbury division), was sworn.

Sir Halford Mackinder reported from Standing Committee D, to whom the Coroners (Re-investigation) Bill was referred; that they had gone through the Bill and made Amendments thereto.

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

Ordered, That the Minutes of the Proceedings of the Standing Committee be printed.

Ordered, That the Bill, as amended in the Standing Committee, be taken into consideration upon Tuesday next; and be printed.

Sir Halford Mackinder reported from Standing Committee D, to whom the Metropolitan Water Board (Various Powers) Bill was referred; that they had gone through the Bill and made Amendments thereto.

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

Ordered, That the Minutes of the Proceedings of the Standing Committee be printed.

Ordered, That the Bill, as amended in the Standing Committee, be taken into consideration upon Monday next; and be printed.

Sir William Watson Rutherford reported from Standing Committee B, to whom the Public Health (Tuberculosis) Bill was referred; that they had gone through the Bill and made Amendments thereto.

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

Ordered, That the Minutes of the Proceedings of the Standing Committee be printed.

Ordered, That the Bill, as amended in the Standing Committee, be taken into consideration to-morrow; and be printed.

Sir Samuel Roberts reported from the Committee of Selection, that they had discharged the following Members from Standing Committee D:—Viscountess Astor; and had appointed in Committee D, in the place of the said Members, Major Sir Samuel Hill-Wood.

Sir Samuel Roberts further reported from the Standing Committee; that they had discharged the following Members from Standing Committee D:—Mr. Murchison and Mr. Secretary Shortt.

Sir Samuel Roberts further reported from the Standing Committee; that they had discharged the following Member from Standing Committee D (in respect of the Importation of Plumage (Prohibition) Bill):—Mr. Charles White, and had added him to the Committee (in respect of the Importation of Plumage (Prohibition) No. 3 Bill); and that they had discharged the following Member from Standing Committee C (in respect of the Importation of Plumage (Prohibition) No. 3 Bill):—Captain Wedgewood Benn, and had added him to the Committee (in respect of the Importation of Plumage (Prohibition) Bill).

Ordered, That the Reports do lie upon the Table.

Ordered, That the Select Committee appointed Indian Affairs by this House to join with a Committee of the
Mr. Acland reported from the Select Committee appointed to join with a Committee of the House of Lords on Indian Affairs; that they had made Progress in the matters to them referred, and had directed him to make a Report thereof to the House.

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

The Chairman of Ways and Means reported from the Committee on the Pilotage Provisional Orders (No. 2) Bill; that they had considered the Orders therein contained; that the said Orders ought to be confirmed; and that they had directed him to report the Bill, without Amendment, to the House.

Ordered, That the Report do lie upon the Table.

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

The Chairman of Ways and Means reported the Liverpool Mineral and Metal Storage Company (Delivery Warrant) Bill [Lords], without Amendment.

Ordered, That the Report do lie upon the Table.

Ordered, That the Bill be read the third time.

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

Ordered, That the Report do lie upon the Table.

Mr. Gardner reported from the Local Legislation Committee (Section B); that in the case of the Burnley Corporation Bill, they had examined the allegations contained in the Preamble of the Bill, and amended the same so as to make it consistent with the provisions of the Bill as passed by the Committee, and found the same, as amended, to be true; and had gone through the Bill and made Amendments thereto; and had amended the Title, as followeth—A Bill to authorise the Corporation of Burnley to construct a street improvement and additional waterworks, to extend the time for the construction of certain waterworks authorised by the Burnley Corporation Act 1908, to empower the Corporation to purchase and develop lands referred to in the will of the late James William Thompson and to modify the provisions of that will, to make further provision with regard to the omnibus tramways water and markets undertakings of the Corporation and the health local government and improvement of the borough, and for other purposes.

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

Colonel Jackson reported from the Committee on Group B of Private Bills; that, for the convenience of parties, the Committee had adjourned till Monday next, at a quarter past Eleven of the clock.

Ordered, That the Report do lie upon the Table.

Sir Francis Blake reported from the Committee on Group C of Private Bills; that, for the convenience of parties, the Committee had adjourned till Tuesday next, at Eleven of the clock.

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necessary to defray the charge which will come in course of payment during the year ending on the 31st day of March 1922 for Expenditure in respect of Customs and Excises, Inland Revenue, Post Office and Telegraph Buildings in Great Britain, and certain Post Offices Abroad:

Whereupon Motion made, and Question proposed, That a sum not exceeding £1,428,450, be granted for the said Service.—(Mr. Godfrey Locker-Lampson.)

Mr. Godfrey Locker-Lampson moved, That the Chairman do report Progress; and ask leave to sit again; but the Chairman, being of opinion that the Motion was an abuse of the Rules of the House, declined to propose the Question thereupon to the Committee.

Question put.
The Committee divided.

Tellers for the Yeas, 72.
Mr. Godfrey Locker-Lampson, 55.

Tellers for the Nays, 120.
Colonel Leslie Wilson, 153.
Mr. McCurdy, 153.

Original Question put, and agreed to.

12. Motion made, and Question proposed, That a sum not exceeding £942,350 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 this instant April; for the said Service.—(Major Mccurdy.)

The Committee divided.

Tellers for the Yeas, 55.
Mr. Lordsen: 55.

Tellers for the Nays, 120.
Mr. McCurdy: 120.

Original Question put, and agreed to.

And it being after Eleven of the clock, the Chairman left the Chair to make his Report to the House.

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

Ordered, That the Report be received to-morrow.

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

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

The Order of the day being read, for taking into consideration the Second and Third of the Resolutions which, upon the 20th day of this instant April, were reported from the Committee of Supply of the 18th day of this instant April;

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

The Order of the day being read, for receiving the Report from the Committee of Supply of the 19th day of this instant April;

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 Treaty of Peace Committee on the Treaty of Peace (Hungary) Bill;

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

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

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

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

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

The Order of the day being read, for resuming the adjourned Debate on the Question proposed (Motion for an Address) upon the 11th day of this instant April, That an humble Address be presented to His Majesty thanking His Majesty for His Most Gracious Message, communicating to this House His Majesty’s intentions with respect to the Reserve Forces.

Ordered, That the Debate be further adjourned till Monday next.

The House, according to Order, resolved itself into a Committee on Treaty of Peace (Hungary) Expenses.

(In the Committee.)

Resolved, That it is expedient to authorise the payment, out of moneys provided by Parliament, of expenses incurred under any Act of the present Session for carrying into effect the Treaty of Peace between His Majesty and Hungary.—(Mr. Cecil Harmsworth.)

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.

Resolved, That the Draft of a Special Order proposed to be made by the Board of Trade Regulation under Section 10 of the Gas Regulation Act, 1920, on the application of the Swansea Gas Light Company, which was presented on the 17th March, be approved.—(Sir William Mitchell-Thomson.)

The Order of the day being read, for the Capital Second Reading of the Capital Punishment (Limitations) Bill;

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

The Order of the day being read, for the Merchant Second Reading of the Merchant Shipping (No. 2) Bill;

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

The Order of the day being read, for the Parliament Second Reading of the Parliament Act, 1911 (Repeal) Bill;

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time upon Monday next.
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His Majesty's Government of the principal and interest of a loan authorised by the Government of the Straits Settlements,

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

The following Papers, pursuant to the directions of an Act of Parliament, were laid upon the Table by the Clerk of the House:

Copy of the Ecclesiastical Commissioners Church of Measures, 1921, passed by the National Assembly of the Church of England, to amend the Ecclesiastical Commissioners Act, 1840. No. 87.

Copy of Second Report by the Ecclesiastical Committee, being a Report on the Ecclesiastical Commissioners Measure, 1921.

Ordered, That the said Papers be printed. No. 88.

Sir Samuel Roberts reported from the Committee, of Selection; That they had added the following Member to Standing Committee D:—Mr. Charles Williams.

Sir Samuel Roberts further reported from the Committee; That they had discharged the following Member from the Joint Committee of Lords and Commons on Gas and Water Bills:—Sir Reginald Blair; and had appointed in substitution: Mr. Hood.

Ordered, That the Reports do lie upon the Table.

The Order of the day being read, for the Licensing Bill,

Second Reading of the Licensing Bill;

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

An Amendment was proposed to be made to the Question, by leaving out the word "now," and, at the end of the Question, adding the words "upon this day six months."—(Mr. Broad.)

And the Question being proposed, That the word "now" stand part of the Question:—And a Debate arising thereupon;

And it being Five of the clock, the Debate stood adjourned.

The Order of the day being read, for the Representation of the People Bill;

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

The Order of the day being read, for the Secretary for Second Reading of the Secretary for Wales Bill; Wales Bill.

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

The Order of the day being read, for the Juries' Second Reading of the Juries' Expenses Bill; Expense Bill

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

The Order of the day being read, for the Importation Second Reading of the Importation of Plumage (No. 2) Bill;

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

A Motion was made, and the Question being Adjournment proposed, That this House do now adjourn:—(Mr. Secretary Shortt):—The said Motion was, with leave of the House, withdrawn.

Mr. Cecil Harmsworth presented, by His Majesty's Command,—Copy of Minute of the Committee of Council on Education in Scotland, dated 22nd April 1921, providing for the payment of Grants from the Education (Scotland) Fund under the Education (Scotland) Act, 1918.

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

Mr. Cecil Harmsworth presented, by His Majesty's Command,—Copy of Convention between the United Kingdom and France (Supplementary to the Declaration of 21st March 1899 and the Convention of 14th June 1899) respecting boundaries west and east of the Niger (with map), Signed at Paris, 8th September 1919.

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

Mr. Hilton Young presented, by His Majesty's Command,—Copy of Treasury Minute, dated 7th March 1921, relative to the Guarantee by Vol. 176.
The Order of the day being read, for taking into consideration the Public Health (Tuberculosis) Bill, as amended in the Standing Committee:

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

The Order of the day being read, for receiving the Report from the Committee of Supply of the 18th day of this instant April:

Ordered, That the Report be received upon Monday next.

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

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

The Order of the day being read, for taking into consideration the Second and Third of the Resolutions which, upon the 20th day of this instant April, were reported from the Committee of Supply of the 18th day of this instant April:

Ordered, That the said Resolutions be taken into consideration upon Monday next.

The Order of the day being read, for receiving the Report from the Committee of Supply of the 19th day of this instant April:

Ordered, That the Report be received upon Monday next.

The Order of the day being read, for the Committee of 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 Treaty of Peace (Hungary) Bill:

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

The Order of the day being read, for receiving the Report from the Committee on Treaty of Peace (Hungary) [Expenses]:

Ordered, That the Report be received upon Monday next.

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

Adjournment.

The South Metropolitan Gas Bill [Lords] was read the third time and passed, with Amendment.

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 Harrogate Gas Bill, as amended in the Committee:

Ordered, That the Bill be read the third time.

The Earby Urban District Council Bill [Lords] was read a second time, and committed.

The Falmouth Docks Bill [Lords] was read a second time, and committed.

The Nelson Corporation Bill [Lords] was read a second time, and committed.

The North-Eastern Railway Bill [Lords] was read a second time, and committed.

The House, according to Order, proceeded to take into consideration the Saint Helens Corporation Bill, as amended in the Committee: And an Amendment was made to the Bill.

Ordered, That the Bill be read the third time.

Sir Alfred Mond presented, pursuant to the Census Act, directions of an Act of Parliament,—Copy of 1910,

Draft Order in Council under the Census Act 1920, entitled the Census Draft Order, 1921.

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

Sir Harum Greenwool presented, by His Majesty's Command, — Copy of Sixty-second Annual Report of the Board of Superintendence of Dublin Hospitals, with Appendices, for 1919—20.

Copy of Return of Advances made under the Irish Land Purchase Acts, during July, August, and October 1919.

Copy of the Annual Report of the Commissioners of Education in Ireland for 1920.

Copy of Return under the Land Law (Ireland) Act, 1897, showing (1) the number of Evictions Notices filed; and (2) the number of Evictions in Ireland for 1920.

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

Mr. Secretary Montagu presented, by His Majesty's Command,—Copy of Return showing the results of Elections in India.

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

Mr. Hilton Young presented, pursuant to the Public directions of an Act of Parliament,—Amount of the Public Income and Expenditure of the United Kingdom of Great Britain and Ireland in the year ended 31st March 1921; together with the Balances in the Exchequer on the 1st April 1920, the Receipts and Payments (not being Income and Expenditure) in the year ended 31st March 1921, and the Balances in the Exchequer on that day.

Ordered, That the said Paper do lie upon the Table; and be printed.
11 Geo. V.
25th April.

It is now almost thirty-eight years since I first entered this Chamber as Member for Rutland. There are now only remaining in the House, I believe, four Members who were colleagues of mine in August 1885 when I entered this Chamber. In the year 1885 the House was pleased to appoint me Chairman of Ways and Means and I held that office for ten years. In 1905 the House unanimously elected me as its Speaker. During the sixteen years that have elapsed since then, on no fewer than five occasions has the House done me the very great honour of electing me unanimously to the Chair. I think that such an honour in recent times—although it has been equalled—has never been surpassed; and I can assure the House that I feel the honour most deeply and am very grateful for it to the confidence it has so repeatedly reposed in me. But time is passing away, somewhat too rapidly. We have been through very troubled and anxious times in this House and in the Country, and the troubles and anxieties of the Chair have not diminished. They have in fact increased. During the sixteen years that I have held this position there have been only three years in which there has not been an Autumn Session, and the policy which the House adopted of sending important Bills to Standing Committees upstairs has not relieved, but has rather increased, the labours and anxieties of the Chair.

I have now already passed the age at which we expect our civil servants to retire, considering presumably that the best work has been obtained from them, and that the time has come when their duties should devolve upon younger shoulders. I feel myself—although, thank God, in good health and I trust also mind—that my senses are not so acute as they were, and that possibly what I am gaining in experience I am losing in alertness. But in addition to these personal reasons—these sixty-six personal reasons to which I have referred—there is another, and I think a stronger, reason which should commend to the House my resolution.

This House has now been in existence for some months over two years. It has nearly half run its course. In the ordinary circumstances, and if no accident happens, the House may expect to have another two years or thereabouts of life. It has been the practice of this House, certainly during the last century, to re-elect, at the commencement of the next Session, the Speaker of the former Parliament, provided he has shown aptitude for the high duties placed upon him. I believe that it will be in the interests of the House—not of this House only, but of the House of Commons generally—that my successor, whoever he may be, should have some experience of the duties and responsibilities of the Chair before he is called upon to undertake these important duties in the next Parliament; and certainly my last three, and I think four, predecessors have been elected not at the commencement of a new Parliament, but during the course of a current Parliament. That presents many advantages, and I think, indeed, it would hardly be fair either to the new Speaker or to the new House that they should both commence their careers simultaneously. Therefore, without expressing great regret at my separation from the House—in which I have made a great many acquaintances and I also trust a great many friends—I must crave once again what has been so frequently given to me in the past, namely, the generosity and indulgence of the House, and ask the House to allow me respectfully to submit to them my resignation from this Chair.
Whereupon the Prime Minister and Mr. Austen Chamberlain severally addressed the House.

Ordered, That the Proceedings of the Committee of Ways and Means and the Proceedings on the Treaty of Peace (Hungary) Bill, and on the Public Health (Tuberculosis) Bill be exempted at this day's sitting from the provisions of the Standing Order (Sittings of the House).

—(Mr. Austen Chamberlain.)

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

(In the Committee.)

CUTOMS AND EXCISE.

Continuation of Duties (Customs).

1. Resolved, That the duties of Customs, specified in the first column of the following table which were imposed by Part I. of the Finance (No. 2) Act, 1915, and continued by section one of the Finance Act, 1920, in the case of the new import duties until the first day of May, nineteen hundred and twenty-one, and in the case of other duties until the first day of August, nineteen hundred and twenty-one, shall continue to be charged as from those respective dates until the dates specified as regards the said duties respectively in the third column of the said table:

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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. Austen Chamberlain.)

Continuation of additional Medicine Duties (Excise).

2. Resolved, That the additional duties of Excise upon medicines imposed by section eleven of the Finance (No. 2) Act, 1915, and continued by section two of the Finance Act, 1920, until the first day of August, nineteen hundred and twenty-one, shall continue to be charged as from that date until the first day of August, nineteen hundred and twenty-two.

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. Austen Chamberlain.)

Wines (Customs).

3. Resolved, That, in lieu of the additional Customs duty of five shillings per gallon and the further additional Customs duty equal to thirty-three and one-third per cent. of the value of the wine now chargeable on sparkling wine, there shall on and after the tenth day of May, nineteen hundred and twenty-one, be charged on all sparkling wines imported into Great Britain or Ireland an additional duty of twelve shillings and sixpence per gallon.

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. Austen Chamberlain.)

INCOME TAX.

Charge of Tax.

4. Resolved, That—

(a) Income Tax shall be charged for the year beginning the sixth day of April, nineteen hundred and twenty, at the rate of six shillings in the pound, and the same super-tax shall be charged for that year as was charged for the year beginning the sixth day of April, nineteen hundred and twenty-one, and in the case of other duties until the first day of August, nineteen hundred and twenty-one, shall continue to be charged as from those respective dates until the dates specified as regards the said duties respectively in the third column of the said table:

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(b) the like provisions shall have effect with respect to Income Tax and super-tax so charged and the annual value of property as had effect with respect thereto for the year beginning the sixth day of April, nineteen hundred and twenty-two.

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. Austen Chamberlain.)

Reliefs.

5. Resolved, That—

(a) sections forty-three and forty-four of the Income Tax Act, 1918, shall be deemed not to have been continued in force as respects the year 1920-21 ; and

(b) paragraph (1) of Rule 3 of the Miscellaneous Rules applicable to Schedule D shall not apply, and shall be deemed never to have applied, in any case where the person charged has continued to carry on throughout the year of assessment the trade, profession, employment, or vocation in respect of which the assessment was made.

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. Austen Chamberlain.)

Excess Profits Duty.

6. Resolved, That—

(a) in the case of a trade or business which was commenced after the fourth day of August, nineteen hundred and fourteen, excess profits duty shall be charged for the period (whether an accounting period or a part of such a period) ending on the thirty-first day of December, nineteen hundred and twenty, and that period shall be the last accounting period for the purposes of the said duty; and

(b) in the case of a trade or business which was commenced on or before the fourth day of August, nineteen hundred and fourteen, excess profits duty shall be charged for the period (whether an accounting period or a part of such period) ending on the expiration of eighty-four months from the date of the commencement of the first accounting period of that trade or business, and that period shall be the last accounting period for the purposes of the said duty; and

(c) in the case of a trade or business formed by the amalgamation after the
fourth day of August, nineteen hundred and fourteen, of two or more trades or businesses, excess profits duty shall be charged for the period (whether an accounting period or a part of such a period) ending on the earliest date on which the said duty would have ceased to be chargeable in respect of any one of the constituent trades or businesses if it had remained a separate trade or business, and that period shall be the last accounting period for the purposes of the said duty:

Provided that where a trade or business is after the termination of its last accounting period amalgamated with another trade or business it shall not for the purposes of the said duty be treated as part of the trade or business with which it has been amalgamated; and

(d) assessments and additional assessments in respect of excess profits duty may be made at any time unless and until Parliament otherwise determine.—(Mr. Austen Chamberlain.)

Resolutions to be reported.

Amendment of Law.

Motion made, and Question proposed, That it is expedient to amend the Law relating to the National Debt, Customs, and Inland Revenue (including Excise); and to make further provision in connection with Finance.—(Mr. Hilton Young):

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

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

Ordered, That the Report be received tomorrow.

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

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

Mr. Towyn Jones reported from the Committee on Treaty of Peace (Hungary) [Expenses] a Resolution; which was read, as followeth:

That it is expedient to authorise the payment out of moneys provided by Parliament of expenses incurred under any Act of the present Session for carrying into effect the Treaty of Peace between His Majesty and Hungary.

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

The House, according to Order, resolved itself into a Committee on the Treaty of Peace (Hungary) Bill.

(In the Committee.)

Clause No. 1 (Power of His Majesty to give effect to Peace Treaties).

Amendment proposed, in p. 1, l. 15, at the end, to insert the words "excepting the appointment of representatives for the Assembly of the League of Nations."—(Lieutenant-Commander Kenworthy.)

Treaty of Peace

(Treaty of Peace (Hungary) Bill)

(Hungary)

[Expenses.

Treaty of Peace

(Treaty of Peace (Hungary))

Question put, That those words be there inserted.

The Committee divided.

Tellers for the:—(Lieutenant-Commander Kenworthy, [Mr. Henry Austin Williams:]

Tellers for the:—Colonel Leslie Wilson, [Mr. Dudley Ward:]

Clause agreed to.

Clause No. 2 agreed to.

Preamble agreed to.

Bill to be reported.

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

Ordered, That the Bill be now read the third time:—The Bill was accordingly read the third time and passed.

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

The House, according to Order, proceeded to Public Health take into consideration the Public Health (Tuberculosis) Bill, as amended in the Standing Committee.

A Clause was offered to be added to the Bill (Delegation of certain powers to Seamen's National Insurance Society).—(Major Henderson.)

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 (Extension of Section 3 of the Public Health (Prevention and Treatment of Disease) Act, 1913).—(Mr. Tyson Wilson.)

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.

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 Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Electricity (Supply) Bill; (Supply) Bill.

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

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

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

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

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

The Order of the day being read, for resuming the adjourned Debate on the Question proposed (Motion for an adjournment) the fourth day of August, nineteen hundred and fourteen, of two or more trades or businesses, excess profits duty shall be charged for the period (whether an accounting period or a part of such a period) ending on the earliest date on which the said duty would have ceased to be chargeable in respect of any one of the constituent trades or businesses if it had remained a separate trade or business, and that period shall be the last accounting period for the purposes of the said duty:

Provided that where a trade or business is after the termination of its last accounting period amalgamated with another trade or business it shall not for the purposes of the said duty be treated as part of the trade or business with which it has been amalgamated; and

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Resolutions to be reported.

Amendment of Law.

Motion made, and Question proposed, That it is expedient to amend the Law relating to the National Debt, Customs, and Inland Revenue (including Excise); and to make further provision in connection with Finance.—(Mr. Hilton Young):

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

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

Ordered, That the Report be received tomorrow.

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.

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

The House, according to Order, resolved itself into a Committee on the Treaty of Peace (Hungary) Bill.

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The House proceeded to take into considera-
tion the Manchester Corporation Waterworks
Bill, as amended in the Committee.

Ordered, That the Bill be read the third time.

The House proceeded to take into considera-
tion the Nuneaton Corporation Bill, as amended
in the Committee.

Ordered, That the Bill be read the third time.

Doupe’s Divorce Bill [Lords] was read a Doupe’s
Divorce Bill [Lords, 2nd].

The Lord Advocate presented, by His Majesty’s
Command,—Copy of Return of the Vote for
Private Bills, Copies of the Provision for the
Temperance (Scotland) Act, 1913, which had
been made (Prohibition) Bill was referred; That they
went through the Bill and
had gone through the Bill and
made Amendments thereunto.

Mr. Bridgeyman presented, by His Majesty’s Board of Trade
Command,—Copy of Statistical Summary of Output and of the Costs of Production & Profits of the Coal-Mining Industry as a
whole, and for the various districts, in respect of the
month ended 31st March 1921.

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

Mr. Hilton Young presented, by His Majesty’s University
Command,—Copy of Returns from Universities Grants
and University Colleges in receipt of Treasury
Committee Grant, 1919-20.

Mr. Hilton Young also presented, pursuant to High Court of
Justice and Court of Criminal
Appeal, &c, in respect of the High Court of Justice, the Court of Appeal, and the Court of Criminal
Appeal during the year ended 31st March 1921.

Account of Receipts and Payments in respect Land Registry,
of the Land Registry for the year ended 31st
March 1921.

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

Mr. Hodge reported from Standing Com-
mittee D, to whom the Captive Birds Shooting
(Prohibition) Bill was referred; That they had
gone through the Bill and made Amend-
ments thereunto.

Ordered, That the Report do lie upon the
No. 93, March 1921.

Ordered, That the Minutes of the Proceedings
of the Standing Committee be printed.

Ordered, That the Bill, as amended in the
Standing Committee, be taken into considera-
tion upon Tuesday next; and be printed.
Colonel Jackson reported from the Committee on the Croydon Corporation Water Bill; That they had examined the allegations contained in the Preamble of the Bill, and amended the same, so as to make it consistent with the provisions of the Bill as passed by the Committee, and found the same, as amended, to be true, and had gone through the Bill and made Amendments thereunto; and had amended the Title, as followeth—A Bill to empower the Mayor Aldermen and Burgesses of the County Borough of Croydon to purchase a well and pumping station situate within that borough from the Metropolitan Water Board, to confer further powers upon them in regard to their water undertaking, and for other purposes.

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

Sunderland and South Shields Water Bill.

Mr. Speaker's Bill.

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

Mr. John William Wilson reported from the Chairman's Panel; That they had appointed Sir John Baildon Mackinder to act as Chairman of Standing Committee D (in respect of the importation of Plumeage (Prohibition) (No. 3) Bill); and Sir Samuel Roberts to act as Chairman of Standing Committee D (in respect of the Public Health Officers (No. 2) Bill).

Ordered, That the Report do lie upon the Table.

Mr. Speaker's Retirement.

On the Motion of the Prime Minister, which was seconded by Mr. Stephen Walsh, and supported by Mr. Asquith:

Resolved, nemine contradicente, That the thanks of this House be given to Mr. Speaker for his distinguished and useful services in the Chair for more than fifteen years; that he be assured that this House fully appreciates the zeal, ability, and impartiality with which he has discharged the duties of his high office through a period of unusual labour, difficulty, and anxiety, and the judgment and firmness with which he has maintained its privileges and dignity; and that this House feels the strongest sense of his unremitting attention to the constantly increasing business of Parliament and the uniform urbanity and kindness which have earned for him the respect and esteem of this House.

Then Mr. Speaker addressed the House, as followeth (all the Members being uncovered):

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quarters, by their power of expression, by the assiduity and zeal which they have brought to the discharge of their duties, and, above all, by the high sense of justice which invariably actuates them. As has been observed already, twice since I entered this Chamber I have witnessed a very large extension of the suffrage, and twice a redistribution of political power, but naturally standing that—and I think possibly even by reason of that—the House has increased in usefulness and in authority. No man will claim that this House is a perfect human institution, but I will say that, in my judgment, it is, of all the institutions of a similar character which are known to the political observer, the most admirably fashioned for expressing the will of a high-spirited and a free people, and for promoting the welfare of all classes of the community. Those are the sentiments which I have long held, which I hold more deeply than ever, and which I shall never cease to hold as long as breath may remain in my body.

Before I say farewell, I would like to pay a tribute to the gentlemen who sit below me and to those whom I never see who sit above me. They are in the House, but they are not of the House. I desire to thank those who sit below me most sincerely for the great knowledge and zeal which they have displayed in assisting the Chair in solving some of the great and difficult problems which are sometimes presented to it. To the gentlemen above me, I desire to express my thanks for the admirable accuracy with which they have recorded, and sometimes improved, my rulings. In bidding a final farewell to the House of Commons, I trust that it will not be thought inappropriate or presumptuous of me if I use the words which I have often read from this spot when reading to the House the Gracious Speech from the Throne and say in the words of the concluding paragraph—

"I pray that the blessings of Almighty God may rest upon your deliberations."

Resolved, That the thanks of this House be given to Mr. Speaker for what he has said this day to the House; and that the same be printed in the Votes of this day and entered in the Journals of this House.—(The Prime Minister.)

Resolved, nemine contradicente, That an humble Address be presented to His Majesty, praying for His Majesty that He will be most graciously pleased to confer some signal mark of His Royal Favours upon the Right Honourable James William Lowther, Speaker of this House, for his eminent services during the important period in which he has with such distinguished ability and dignity presided in the Chair of this House, and assuring His Majesty that whatever expense His Majesty shall think fit to be incurred upon that account this House will make good the same.—(The Prime Minister.)

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

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

(In the Committee.)

Amendments of Law.

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

Periods.
Mr. Austen Chamberlain moved, That this House do now adjourn.

Mr. Speaker-elect thereupon put the Question, which being agreed to, the House adjourned accordingly at two minutes after Four of the clock till to-morrow; and Mr. Speaker-elect went away without the Mace before him.

[No. 49.]

Thursday, 28th April 1921.

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

PRAYERS.

Mr. Speaker-elect having taken the Chair;

A Message was delivered by Lieutenant-General Sir William Pulteney, K.C.B., K.C.M.G., M.O., 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.

Accordingly, Mr. Speaker-elect, with the House, went up to the House of Peers, where he was presented to the said Lords Commissioners for His Majesty's Royal Approval.

Then the Lord High Chancellor, one of the said Lords Commissioners, signified His Majesty's Approval of Mr. Speaker-elect in the name and on behalf of His Majesty.

The House having returned;

Mr. Speaker reported, That the House had been to the House of Peers; where His Majesty was pleased, by His Majesty's Commissioners, to approve of the choice the House had made of him to be their Speaker.

And then Mr. Speaker repeated his most honourable acknowledgments to the House for the honour done to him by them.

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.:

Eastbourne Watersworks Bill [Lords].

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time.

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

Perth Corporation Provisional Order Bill.

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

The Order made upon the 15th day of March last that the Grampian Electricity Supply Bill be committed, was read and discharged.

Ordered, That the Bill be withdrawn.

Ordered, That Mr. Speaker do issue his Warrant to the Clerk of the Crown to make out a new Writ for the electing of a Member to serve in this present Parliament for the County of Cumberland (Peel and Cockermouth Division), in the room of the Right Honourable James William Lowther, 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,—(Colonel Leslie Wilson.)

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

Mr. Secretary Shortt presented, by His Majesty's Command,—Copy of Final 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 1st March 1921.

Copy of Report of the Royal Commissioners on Defence of the Realm (Licensed Trade Claims).

Copy of Return of Alien Passengers (excluding Transmigrants), landed, embarked, and refused leave to land during each quarter of the year 1921.

Mr. Secretary Shortt also presented,—Return of Alien Naturalisation, for the year 1921.

Mr. Secretary Shortt also presented, pursuant to the directions of an Act of Parliament, Accounts showing the Sums received and expended for the purposes of the Metropolitan Police and Police Pension Funds between 1st April 1920 and the 31st March 1921.

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

Sir Alfred Mond presented, pursuant to the Census Acts, directions of several Acts of Parliament,—Copy of Provisional Regulations, dated 27th April 1921, made by the Ministry of Health under Section 3 (1) of the Census Act, 1920.

Copy of Regulations, dated 28th April 1921, National Health Insurance (Termination of Sanatorium Benefit) Regulations, 1921.

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


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Sir Arthur Griffith-Boscawen presented, pursuant to the directions of an Act of Parliament,—Copy of Order, dated 19th April 1921, made by the Minister of Agriculture and Fisheries under the Diseases of Animals Acts, authorising the landing of four Antelopes in the Port of Tilbury.

Copy of Order, dated 19th April 1921, made by the Minister of Agriculture and Fisheries under the Diseases of Animals Acts, entitled the Glasgow (Merklands Wharf) Order of 1921 (No. 2).

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

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Mr. Baldwin presented, by His Majesty’s Command, a Copy of Report on Iron and Steel Products (Cut Nails, Bolts and Nuts, and Horse-nail Trades), prepared by a Sub-Committee appointed by the Standing Committee on Trusts, under the Profiteering Acts.

Copy of Second Report on the Standard Boot and Shoe Scheme prepared by the Sub-Committee appointed by the Joint Committee of the Standing Committees on Trusts and Prices, under the Profiteering Acts.

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

Mr. Amery 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, 1896, 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 1919-20.

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

Naval Savings Banks.

No. 95.

Mr. Fisher presented, by His Majesty’s Command,—Copy of Report on the Health of the Army for 1914.

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 follows:

The Lords have agreed to the Pilotage Provisional Orders (No. 1) Bill, with Amendments; to which the Lords desire the concurrence of this House.

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

South Metropolitan Gas Bill [Lords.]

The Lords have agreed to the Amendments made by this House to the South Metropolitan Gas Bill [Lords], without any Amendment.

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

Pilotage Provisional Orders (No. 1) Bill.

The Lords have passed a Bill, intituled An Act to explain proviso (4) to section twelve of the Agriculture Act, 1920, and the First Schedule to that Act so far as that Schedule amends subsection (1) of section one of the Agricultural Holdings Act, 1908, and the Agricultural Holdings (Scotland) Act, 1908, and to remove doubts as to the procedure in arbitrations as to rent under section ten of the Agriculture Act, 1920; to which the Lords desire the concurrence of this House.

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

The Lords have passed a Bill, intituled An Act to confer further powers upon the Corporation of Preston with reference to their water undertaking; to increase the water rates, harbour tolls, dock rates, light dues, and market tolls leviable by the Corporation; to make better provision for the health, local government, and finance of the borough of Preston; to consolidate the local rates leviable in the borough, and for other purposes; to which the Lords desire the concurrence of this House.

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

Mr. Gardner reported from the Local Legislation Committee (Section B); That in the case of the Middlesex County Council (General Powers) Bill they had examined the allegations contained in the Preamble of the Bill, and amended the same so as to make it consistent with the provisions of the Bill as passed by the Committee, and found the same, as amended, to be true; and had gone through the Bill and made Amendments thereunto; and had amended the Title, as followeth:—A Bill to empower the London County Council to acquire lands, to amend the law relating to coroners employment agencies and lying-in homes, and for other purposes.

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

Colonel Bowles reported from the Committee Bradford on the Bradford Canal (Abandonment) Bill; That they had examined the allegations contained in the Preamble of the Bill, but the same had not been proved to their satisfaction.

Ordered, That the Report do lie upon the Table; and be printed.
Railway Bills (Group 1.)

Colonel Bowles reported from the Committee on Group I of Railway and Canal Bills; That, for the convenience of parties, the Committee had adjourned till Tuesday next, at Eleven of the clock.

Ordered, That the Report do lie upon the Table.

Private Bills (Group D.)

Sir Harry Samuel reported from the Committee on Group D of Private Bills; That, for the convenience of parties, the Committee had adjourned till Monday next, at half-past Eleven of the clock.

Ordered, That the Report do lie upon the Table.

Adjournment of the House.

Mr. James Hope appointed Chairman.

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

(In the Committee.)

Mr. Austen Chamberlain proposed, That Mr. James Hope do take the Chair of the Committee;

And Lieutenant-Commander Kenworthy having risen to address the Committee, Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair.

A Motion was made, and the Question being put, That Mr. James Hope do take the Chair of the Committee—(Mr. Austen Chamberlain)—It was resolved in the Affirmative.

Then the House again resolved itself into the Supply Committee.

(Class II.)

Civil Services and Revenue Departments Estimates, 1921-22.

Motion made, and Question proposed, That a sum not exceeding £44,120 be granted to His Majesty, to complete the sum necessary to defray the charge which will come in course of payment during the year ending on the 31st day of March 1922 for the Salaries and Expenses of the Offices of the Chief Secretary in Dublin, Belfast, and London, of the Irish Public Health Council, and of the Inspectors of Lunatic Asylums, Expenses under the Inebriates Acts, and certain Allowances for Disturbance, &c.:

Whereupon the Gentleman Usher of the Black Rod being come with a Message, the Chairman left the Chair.

Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair.

A Message was delivered by Lieutenant-Royal Assent, General Sir William Pulteney, K.C.B., K.C.M.G., D.S.O., Gentlemen 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. Corporation of London (Bridge) Act, 1921.
3. Chatham and District Light Railways Company Act, 1921.
4. Liverpool Mineral and Metal Storage Company, Limited (Delivery Warrants), Act, 1921.
5. South Metropolitan Gas Act, 1921.

The House again resolved itself into the Supply Committee of Supply.

(In the Committee.)

Question again proposed, That a sum not exceeding £44,120 be granted to His Majesty, to complete the sum necessary to defray the charge which will come in course of payment during the year ending on the 31st day of March 1922 for the Salaries and Expenses of the Offices of the Chief Secretary in Dublin, Belfast, and London, of the Irish Public Health Council, and of the Inspectors of Lunatic Asylums, Expenses under the Inebriates Acts, and certain Allowances for Disturbance, &c.:

Whereupon Motion made, and Question put, That a sum not exceeding £44,120 be granted for the said Service—(Captain Nealmond);
The Order of the day being read, for receiving the Report from the Committee of Ways and Means of the 21st 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 Dogs' Protection Bill:

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

The Order of the day being read, for the House of Commons and Municipal Corporations (Qualification of Clergymen) Bill:

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

The Order of the day being read, for the Diseases of Animals Act (1910) Amendment Bill was, according to Order, read a second time, and committed to a Standing Committee.

The Order of the day being read, for the Protection of Animals (Scotland) Act (1912) Amendment Bill was, according to Order, read the third time and passed.

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

The Protection of Animals (Scotland) Act 1912 Amendment Bill was, according to Order, read a second time, and committed to a Standing Committee.

The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Ministry of Transport (Transfer of Railways) Bill:

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

The Health Resorts and Watering Places Bill was, according to Order, read the third time and passed.

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

The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Capital Punishment (Limitations) Bill:

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

The Order of the day being read, for the Merchant Shipping (No. 2) Bill:

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

The Order of the day being read, for the Increase of Second Reading of the Merchant Shipping (Restricions) Bill:

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

The Order of the day being read, for the Revenue Bill:

Ordered, That the Report be received upon Monday next.

The Order of the day being read, for the Housing Bill:

Ordered, That the Report be received upon Monday next.

The Order of the day being read, for the Revenue Bill:

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

The Order of the day being read, for the Reserve Forces (Motion for an Address):

Ordered, That the Debate be further adjourned till Monday next.

The Order of the day being read, for the Revenue Bill:

Ordered, That the Report be received upon Monday next.

The Order of the day being read, for the Reserve Forces (Motion for an Address):

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

The Order of the day being read, for the Supply and Means (26th April) Report:

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

The Order of the day being read, for the Supply and Means (21st April) Report:

Ordered, That the Report be received upon Monday next.

The Order of the day being read, for the Supply and Means (18th April) Report:

Ordered, That the Report be received upon Monday next.

The Order of the day being read, for the Supply and Means (19th April) Report:

Ordered, That the said Resolutions be taken into consideration upon Monday next.

The Order of the day being read, for the Supply and Means (16th April) Report:

Ordered, That the said Resolutions be taken into consideration upon Monday next.

The Order of the day being read, for the Supply and Means (15th April) Report:

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

The Order of the day being read, for the Supply and Means (25th April) Report:

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

The Order of the day being read, for the Supply and Means (24th April) Report:

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

The Order of the day being read, for the Supply and Means (23rd April) Report:

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

The Order of the day being read, for the Supply and Means (22nd April) Report:

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

The Order of the day being read, for the Supply and Means (21st April) Report:

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

The Order of the day being read, for the Supply and Means (20th April) Report:

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

The Order of the day being read, for the Supply and Means (19th April) Report:

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

The Order of the day being read, for the Supply and Means (18th April) Report:

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

The Order of the day being read, for the Supply and Means (17th April) Report:

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

The Order of the day being read, for the Supply and Means (16th April) Report:

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

The Order of the day being read, for the Supply and Means (15th April) Report:

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

The Order of the day being read, for the Supply and Means (14th April) Report:

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

The Order of the day being read, for the Supply and Means (13th April) Report:

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

The Order of the day being read, for the Supply and Means (12th April) Report:

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

The Order of the day being read, for the Supply and Means (11th April) Report:

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

The Order of the day being read, for the Supply and Means (10th April) Report:

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

The Order of the day being read, for the Supply and Means (9th April) Report:

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

The Order of the day being read, for the Supply and Means (8th April) Report:

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

The Order of the day being read, for the Supply and Means (7th April) Report:

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

The Order of the day being read, for the Supply and Means (6th April) Report:

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

The Order of the day being read, for the Supply and Means (5th April) Report:

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

The Order of the day being read, for the Supply and Means (4th April) Report:

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

The Order of the day being read, for the Supply and Means (3rd April) Report:

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

The Order of the day being read, for the Supply and Means (2nd April) Report:

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

The Order of the day being read, for the Supply and Means (1st April) Report:

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

The Order of the day being read, for the Supply and Means (30th April) Report:

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 Representation of the People Bill:
Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time upon Wednesday next.

The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Jurores' Expenses Bill:
Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time upon Monday next.

The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Minimum Wage (Temporary Suspension) 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 Sex Disqualification (Removal) Act (1919) 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 Prevention of Unemployment 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 Local Elections (Proportional Representation) Bill [Lords):
Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time upon Monday next.

The Order of the day being read, for taking into consideration the Decedent Wife's Sister's Marriages Act (1897) Amendment Bill, as amended in the Standing Committee:
Ordered, That the Bill be taken into consideration upon Monday next.

The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Exercise of the Parliamentary Franchise 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 Representation of the People Acts (1918 to 1920) 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 Parliament Act, 1911 (Repeal) 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 Importation of Pumice (Prohibition) (No. 2) Bill:
Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time upon Thursday next.

Adjourned, And then the House, having continued to sit till seventeen minutes after Eleven of the clock, adjourned till to-morrow.
Sir Alfred Mond presented a Bill to confirm certain Provisional Orders of the Minister of Health relating to Ardsley East and West, Beaumont, Pugaston, West Houghton, and Whiston (Rural); and the same was read the first time.

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

Sir Alfred Mond presented a Bill to confirm certain Provisional Orders of the Minister of Health relating to Oswestry, Wakefield, the Craigbrook and Tenterden Joint Hospital District, the Crediton Joint Cemetery District, and the North East Kent United Districts; and the same was read the first time.

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

Sir Alfred Mond presented a Bill to confirm a Provisional Order of the Minister of Health relating to Barnsley; 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. Hilton Young presented a Bill to amend National the Unemployment Insurance Acts, 1920 and 1921, and the National Health Insurance Acts, 1911 to 1920, in their application to seamen, marines, soldiers, and airmen called up from the Reserves or enlisted for short periods of service during an emergency and to men of the Reserve and Territorial Force during training; 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 Local Rates Second Reading of the Local Rates (Increase Prevention) 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. Myers.) 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 [Colonel Royds],
Yea, [Mr. Cauley: ] 96.
Tellers for the [Mr. Neville Chamberlain],
Noes, [Mr. John Jones: ] 60.

So it was resolved in the Affirmative.

The Bill was read a second time.

A Motion was made, and the Question being put, That the Bill be committed to a Committee of the whole House—(Mr.Thomas Shaw);

The House divided.

The Yeas to the Right;

The Noes to the Left.

Tellers for the [Mr. Neville Chamberlain],
Tellers for the [Colonel Royds],

So it was passed in the Negative.

The Bill was committed to a Standing Committee.

The Order of the day being read, for the Bastardy Bill;

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

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

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time upon Wednesday next.
Diseases of Animals Act (1910) D. Amendment Bill.

Mr. Speaker being of opinion that the Protection of Animals (Scotland) Act (1912) Amendment Bill is a Bill relating exclusively to Scotland, the Bill will be considered by the Standing Committee on Scottish Bills.

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Monday, 2nd May 1921.

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

Prayers.

Burslem Corporation Bill. Croydon Corporation Water Bill.

The House proceeded to take into consideration the Burslem Corporation Bill, as amended in the Committee.

Ordered, That the Bill be read the third time.

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The House proceeded to take into consideration the Croydon Corporation Water Bill, as amended in the Committee.

Ordered, That the Bill be read the third time.

Wandsworth, Wimbledon, and Epsom District Gas Bill (Lords.)

The Wandsworth, Wimbledon, and Epsom District Gas Bill (Lords) was read a second time, and committed.

The House, according to Order, proceeded to take into consideration the Perth Corporation Provisional Order Bill.

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

Sir William Mitchell-Thomson presented a Bill to confirm certain Pilotage Orders made by the Board of Trade under the Pilotage Act, 1913, relating to pilotage in the Pilotage Districts of Arbroath, Elgin and Lossiemouth, Eyemouth, Irvine, Thurso, and Wick: 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. Munro presented a Bill to confirm a Provisional Order under the Private Legislation Procedure (Scotland) Act, 1899, relating to the North British Railway: And the same was ordered, under Section 7 of the Act, to be taken into consideration to-morrow.

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Insurance (Medical Benefit) Amendment Regulations, No. 3, 1921.

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

Russia (No. 1, 1921.)

Mr. Cecil Harmsworth presented, by His Majesty’s Command,—Copy of Report (Political and Economic) of the Committee to collect Information on Russia.

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

Sutton Distirct or Waterworks Bill.

Colonel Jackson reported the Sutton District Waterworks Bill, with Amendments.

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

East Surrey Water Bill.

Colonel Jackson reported the East Surrey Water Bill, with Amendments.

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

Private Bills (Group B."

Colonel Jackson reported from the Committee on Group B of Private Bills: That, for the convenience of parties, the Committee had adjourned till Monday next, at a quarter of an hour after Eleven of the clock.

Ordered, That the Report do lie upon the Table.

Mr. Secretary Shortt, acquiesced the House that their Address of Tuesday the 26th day of April last, to His Majesty, praying His Majesty That he will be most graciously pleased to confer some signal mark of His Royal Favour upon the Right Honourable James William Lowther, Speaker of this House, for his eminent services during the important period in which his has with such distinguished ability and dignity presided in the Chair of this House; and to assure His Majesty that whatever expense his Majesty may think proper to incur on that account this House will make good the same, had he been presented to His Majesty; and His Majesty had been pleased to receive the same very graciously, and had commanded him to acquaint this House that His Majesty is desirous, in compliance with the wishes of His Faithful Commands, to confer upon the said Right Honourable James William Lowther some signal mark of His Royal Favour; but, as the same cannot be effectually granted and secured without the concurrence of Parliament, His Majesty recommends to the House of Commons the adoption of such measures as may be necessary for the accomplishment of this purpose.

Resolved, That this House will, to-morrow, resolve itself into a Committee to consider His Majesty’s Most Gracious Answer.—(Mr. Secretary Shortt.)

Mr. Secretary Shortt, at the Bar, acquainted the House that he had a Message from His Majesty to this House, signed by His Majesty’s own hand, and he presented the same to the House; and it was read by Mr. Speaker (all the Members of the House being uncovered), and it is as followeth:-

GEORGE R.I.

The continued cessation of work in coal mines on the 30th day of April 1921 having constituted, in the opinion of His Majesty, a state of emergency within the meaning of the Emergency Powers Act, 1920, His Majesty has deemed it proper, by proclamation made in pursuance of the said Act, and dated the 30th day of April 1921, to declare that a state of emergency exists.

Ordered, that His Majesty’s Most Gracious Message be taken into consideration upon Wednesday next.—(Mr. Secretary Shortt.)

Colonel Sir Robert Sandars reported from the Ways and Means Committee of Ways and Means of the 26th day of April last, several Resolutions; which were read, as follow:

CUSTOMS AND EXCISE.

Continuation of Duties (Customs).

1. That the duties of Customs, specified in Customs and the first column of the following table which were imposed by Part I. of the Finance (No. 2) of Duties Act, 1915, and continued by section one of the Finance Act, 1920, in the case of the new import duties until the first day of May, nineteen hundred and twenty-one, and in the case of other duties until the first day of August, nineteen hundred and twenty-one, shall continue to be charged as from those respective dates until the dates specified as regards the said duties respectively in the third column of the said table:

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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.

Continuation of additional Medicine Duties (Excise).

2. That the additional duties of Excise upon continuation medicines imposed by section eleven of the of Additional Duties on Excise under the Finance Act, 1920, until the (Excises) first day of August, nineteen hundred and twenty-one, shall continue to be charged as from that date until the first date of August, nineteen hundred and twenty-two.

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.

Wines (Customs).

3. That in lieu of the additional Customs Wines duty of five shillings per gallon and the further (Customs) additional Customs duty equal to thirty-three and one-third per cent. of the value of the wine now chargeable on sparkling wine, there shall, on and after the tenth day of May, nineteen hundred and twenty-one, be charged on all sparkling wine imported into Great Britain or Ireland an additional duty of twelve shillings and sixpence per gallon.

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.
Beliefs.

Charge of Tax.

Income Tax.

Duty.

Excess Profits Duty.

Provisional Collection of Taxes Act, 1913.

Statutory effect under the provisions of the resolution.

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.

Reliefs.

5. That—

(a) sections forty-three and forty-four of the Income Tax Act, 1918, shall be deemed not to have been continued in force as respects the year 1920-21; and

(b) paragraph (1) of Rule 3 of the Miscellaneous Rules applicable to Schedule D shall not apply, and shall be deemed never to have applied, in any case where the person charged has continued to carry on throughout the year of assessment the trade, profession, employment, or vocation in respect of which the assessment was made.

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.

Reliefs.

6. That—

(a) in the case of a trade or business which was commenced on or before the fourth day of August, nineteen hundred and fourteen, excess profits duty shall be charged for the period (whether an accounting period or a part of such a period) ending on the thirty-first day of December, nineteen hundred and twenty, and that period shall be the last accounting period for the purposes of the said duty; and

(b) in the case of a trade or business which was commenced on or before the fourth day of August, nineteen hundred and fourteen, excess profits duty shall be charged for the period (whether an accounting period or a part of such period) ending on the expiration of eighty-four months from the date of the commencement of the first accounting period of that trade or business, and that period shall be the last accounting period for the purposes of the said duty; and

(c) in the case of a trade or business formed by the amalgamation after the fourth day of August, nineteen hundred and fourteen, of two or more trades or businesses, excess profits duty shall be charged for the period (whether an accounting period or a part of such a period) ending on the earliest date on which the said duty would have ceased to be chargeable in respect of any one of the constituent trades or businesses.

If it had remained a separate trade or business, and that period shall be the last accounting period for the purposes of the said duty:

Provided that where a trade or business is after the termination of its last accounting period amalgamated with another trade or business it shall not for the purposes of the said duty be treated as part of the trade or business with which it has been amalgamated; and

(d) assessments and additional assessments in respect of excess profits duty may be made at any time and unless and until Parliament otherwise determines.

The First Resolution being read a second time:

An Amendment was proposed to be made to the Resolution by leaving out line 11.—(Major Barnes.)

And the Question being put, That the words proposed to be left out stand part of the Resolution;

The House divided.

The Yeas to the Right;

The Noes to the Left.

Tellers for the (  Colonel Leslie Wilson, Yeas,  Mr. Parker : 188.

Tellers for the ( Major Barnes, Noes,  Dr. Murray : 32.

So it was resolved in the Affirmative.

Another Amendment was proposed to be made to the Resolution, by leaving out line 13.—(Mr. Kiley.)

And the Question being put, That the words proposed to be left out stand part of the Resolution;

The House divided.

The Yeas to the Right;

The Noes to the Left.

Tellers for the (  Colonel Leslie Wilson, Yeas,  Mr. Mc Corry : 186.

Tellers for the ( Mr. Kiley, Noes,  Major Haywood : 42.

So it was resolved in the Affirmative.

And the Resolution was agreed to.

The Second and Third Resolutions, being read a second time, were agreed to.

The Fourth Resolution being read a second time;

An Amendment was proposed to be made to the Resolution, in l. 2, by inserting after the first word or the," the words "first six months of the."—(Mr. Godfrey Locker-Lampson.)

And the Question being put, That those words be there inserted in the Resolution;

The House divided.

The Yeas to the Right;

The Noes to the Left.

Tellers for the ( Mr. Godfrey Locker-Lampson, Yeas,  Mr. Kiley : 25.

Tellers for the ( Colonel Leslie Wilson, Noes,  Mr. Dudley Ward : 154.

So it passed in the Negative.

And the Resolution was 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 to the Right;
The Noes to the Left.

Tellers for the [Colonel Leslie Wilson, Yeas, Mr. Dudley Ward: ] 141.
Tellers for the [Mr. Holmes, Noes, Major Entwistle: ] 32.
So it was resolved in the Affirmative.

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

Mr. Parker reported from the Committee of Ways and Means the 26th day of April last, a Resolution; which was read, as followeth:

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.

Finance.

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. Hilton Young do prepare and bring it in.

Mr. Hilton Young accordingly presented a Bill to grant certain duties of Customs and Inland Revenue (including Excise), to alter other duties, and to amend the Law relating to Customs and Inland Revenue (including Excise), and the National Debt, and to make further provision in connection with Finance: And the same was read the first time, and ordered to be read a second time to-morrow; and to be printed.

The House, according to Order, proceeded to take into consideration the Second and Third of the Resolutions which, upon the 20th day of April last, were reported from the Committee of Supply of the 18th day of April last.

The Second Resolution being read a second time, as followeth:

Air Supplementary Estimate, 1921–22.

2. That an additional number of Officers and Men, not exceeding 25,000, be employed for the Supplementary Estimate, of the Sea and Coast Guard Services borne on the books of His Majesty’s Ships and at the Royal Sea and Coast Marine Expenditures for the year ending on the 31st day of March 1922.

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 [Colonel Leslie Wilson, Yeas, Mr. McCarthy: ] 176.
Tellers for the [Mr. Haywood, Noes, Mr. Waterson: ] 22.

So it was resolved in the Affirmative.

Colonel Gibbs reported from the Committee of Supply of the 21st day of April last, several Air Estimates, which were read, as follow:

Air Estimates and Supplementary Estimate, 1921–22.

1. That a sum not exceeding £1,650,467 (in Air Estimates including a supplementary sum of £467) be granted to His Majesty, to defray the expense of the Air Ministry which will come in course of pay during the year ending on the 31st day of Air Ministry, March 1922.

2. That a sum not exceeding £3,018,000 be Works, Buildings, and Lands.

3. That a sum not exceeding £3,105,000 be Works, Buildings, Repairs, and Lands.

4. That a sum not exceeding £880,000 be Civil Aviation, granted to His Majesty, to defray the Expense of Civil Aviation which will come in course of payment during the year ending on the 31st day of March 1922.

5. That a sum not exceeding £3,758,000 be Technical and Warlike Stores.

6. That a sum not exceeding £1,706,000 be Experimental Services.

7. That a sum not exceeding £129,000 be Miscellaneous Services.

8. That a sum not exceeding £106,000 be Warlike Stores.
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The Order of the day being read, for the National Second Reading of the National Insurance (Forces of the Crown) Bill; Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time to-morrow.

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

The Order of the day being read, for resuming the adjourned Debate on the Question proposed (Motion for an Address) upon the 11th day of April last, That an humble Address be presented to His Majesty thanking His Majesty for His Most Gracious Message communicating to this House His Majesty's intentions with respect to the Reserve Forces; Ordered, That the Debate be further adjourned till to-morrow.

The Order of the day being read, for the Church of Second Reading of the Church of Scotland Bill; Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time upon Wednesday next.

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

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

The Order of the day being read, for the Jurors' Expenses Bill; Second Reading of the Jurors' Expenses Bill; And a Motion being made, and the Question being proposed, That the Bill be now read a second time; And a Debate arising thereupon; And it being Eleven of the clock, the Debate stood adjourned.

Ordered, That the Debate be resumed upon Monday next.

The Order of the day being read, for the Local Elections Second Reading of the Local Elections (Pro- portional Representation) Bill [Lords]; Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time upon Wednesday next.

The Order of the day being read, for taking Deceased into consideration the Deceased Wife's Sister's Marriage Act (1907) Amendment Bill, as amended in the Standing Committee; Ordered, That the Bill be taken into consideration upon Wednesday next.

The Order of the day being read, for the Exercise of the Second Reading of the Exercise of the Parlia- mentary Franchise Bill; Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time upon Thursday next.

The Order of the day being read for the Representation Second Reading of the Representation of the People Acts (1918 to 1920) Amendment Bill; Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time upon Thursday next.

the Air Force, which will come in course of payment during the year ending on the 31st day of March 1922.

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9. That a sum not exceeding £167,550 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 1922 for Expenditure in respect of the Royal Parks and Pleasure Gardens.

10. That a sum not exceeding £120,000 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 1922 for Employment Exchange and Insurance Buildings, Great Britain.

11. That a sum not exceeding £1,444,450 be granted to His Majesty, to complete the sum necessary to defray the charge which will come in course of payment during the year ending on the 31st day of March 1922 for Expenditure in respect of Diplomatic and Consular Buildings, and for the maintenance of certain Consulates Abroad.

12. That a sum not exceeding £242,550 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 1922 for Expenditure in respect of Customs and Excise, Inland Revenue, Post Office and Telegraph Buildings, Great Britain. 

The Order of the day being read, for the Air Force, which will come in course of payment during the year ending on the 31st day of March 1922.
The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Parliament Act, 1911 (Repeal) Bill:

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

Standing Order Bill.

The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Bastardy Bill:

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

Adjournment.

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

STANDING COMMITTEES.

Distribution by Mr. Speaker, pursuant to Standing Order No. 47, of Bills committed to a Standing Committee.

Name of Bill | Standing Committee
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Local Rates (Increase Prevention) Bill | D.

[No. 52.]

Tuesday, 3rd May 1921.

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

PRAYERS.

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

British Dye Stuffs Corporation (Railway Transfer) Bill.

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, and referred on the First Reading thereof, the Standing Orders which are applicable thereto have been complied with, viz.:—

London County Council Bill (Money) Bill.

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, and referred on the First Reading thereof, the Standing Orders not previously inquired into, which are applicable thereto, have been complied with, viz.:—

Preston Corporation 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, and referred on the First Reading thereof, the Standing Orders not previously inquired into, which are applicable thereto, have been complied with, viz.:—

Anglo Continental Supply Company, Limited [Lords].

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

The Eastbourne Waterworks Bill [Lords] was read a second time, and committed.

The Colne Corporation Bill was, according to Order, read the third time and passed.

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

The Lord Advocate, Mr. Bonnerman, Mr. Diverse Bills, Brassey, Sir Henry Craik, Mr. Jodrell, Mr. Purchase, Mr. Randall, Captain Watton, and Lieutenant-Colonel Sir Gilbert Gibbs, were nominated Members of the Select Committee on Divorce Bills.—(Lieutenant-Colonel Gibbs.)

The Perth 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 House, according to Order, proceeded to take into consideration the North British Railway Order Confirmation Bill.

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

Sir Alfred Moss presented a Bill to confirm certain Provisional Orders of the Minister of Health under the Gas and Water Facilities Act, 1870, relating to Blandford Water, Bournemouth Gas and Water, Brompton, Chatham, Gillingham, and Rochester Water, and Woodbridge District Water: And the same was read the first time.

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

Sir Hamar Greenwood presented, pursuant to the directions of an Act of Parliament,—Agriculture, Copy of the Black Sow in Potatoes (Special Provisions) Order, 1921, made by the Department of Agriculture and Technical Instruction for Ireland.

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

Mr. Macpherson presented, by His Majesty's Command,—Copy of List of Exceptions to the Pension, Regulations—Colonel to Pay, Non-Effective Pay, and Allowances sanctioned by the Ministry of Pensions during the year ended 31st March 1920.

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

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

Copy of the Parochial Church Councils Church of (Powers) Measure, 1921, passed by the National Assembly of the Church of England, to confer powers on Parochial Church Councils, and to 1919, No. 100.
amend the Law relating to the parochial organisation of the Church of England, and for other purposes connected therewith.

Copy of Third Report by the Ecclesiastical Committee, being a Report on the Parochial Church Councils (Powers) Measure, 1921, under the Church of England Assembly (Powers) Act, 1921.

Ordered, That the said Papers be printed.

Ordered, That a Message be sent to the Lords to request that their Lordships will be pleased to communicate to this House Copies of the Minutes of Evidence and Proceedings, together with the Documents deposited, in the case of Doupe's Divorce Bill [Lords]. — (The Lord Advocate.)

The Order for taking into consideration tomorrow the Coroners (Remuneration) Bill, as amended in the Standing Committee, was read, and discharged.

Ordered, That the Bill be taken into consideration upon Wednesday the 11th day of this instant May.

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

The Lords have passed a Bill, intituled An Act to make provision in England and Wales for annulling marriage in certain cases; for presuming the death of a husband or a wife in certain circumstances; for placing the two sexes in a position of equality in respect of the dissolution of marriage; and for amending and simplifying procedure in matrimonial cases and extending the grounds of divorce; to which the Lords desire the concurrence of this House.

Colonel Boules reported from the Committee on Group 1 of Railway Bills; That, for the convenience of parties, the Committee had adjourned till Thursday next, at Eleven of the clock.

Ordered, That the Report do lie upon the Table.

Sir Samuel Roberts reported from the Committee of Selection; That the following Members representing Scottish Constituencies are appointed to serve on the Standing Committee for the consideration of all Public Bills relating exclusively to Scotland, and committed to a Standing Committee: — Rear-Admiral Adair, Mr. Adamson, Mr. Angus, Sir Robert Balfour, Mr. George Barnes, Mr. Charles Barrie, Captain Wedgwood Benn, Mr. James Brown, Lieutenant-Colonel Buchanan, Mr. Chancellor of the Exchequer, Sir William Watson Clapham, Colonel Sir Geoffrey Collins, Mr. Cherwell, the Lord Advocate, Mr. Coven, Sir Henry Coven, Sir Henry Craik, Captain Elliot, Mr. Ford, Mr. James Gardiner, Lieutenant-Colonel Gilmore, Major Glen, Mr. Duncan Graham, Mr. William Graham, Colonel Greig, Sir Leicester Harmsworth, Major Henderson, Mr. Hogge, Sir Harry Hope, Lieutenant-Colonel Sir John Hope, Mr. John Dearn Hope, Lieutenant-General Sir Aymer Hunter-Weston, Mr. Jameson, Mr. Johnstone, Mr. Kennedy, Mr. Kidd, Mr. Bonar Law, Mr. Murray Macdonald, Sir Holford Mackinder, Mr. Robert McLaren, Mr. Donald Maclean, Mr. Neil Maclean, Mr. Macleod, Major M'Gill, Mr. Macpherson, Mr. Macquisten, Mr. Murrey, Lieutenant-Colonel Arthur Murray, Mr. George Murray, Dr. Murray, Mr. William Murray, Mr. Neison, Mr. Pring, Sir William Rutburn, Mr. Robertson, Mr. Rodger, Mr. Rose, Vol. 176.

Mr. MacCallum Scott, Mr. Alexander Shaw, Mr. William Shaw, Mr. Solicitor General for Scotland, Colonel Sir Alexander Sprag, Mr. Starrock, Sir William Sutherland, Mr. Taylor, Mr. Frederic Thomson, Sir William Mitchell-Thomas, Mr. Wallace, Sir Archibald Williamson, Mr. Wilkie, Major Mackenzie Wood, Mr. William Young, and Sir George Younger.

Sir Samuel Roberts further reported from the Standing Committee; That they had added the following Ten Members to the Standing Committee on Scottish Bills (in respect of the Protection of Animals (Scotland) Act (1912) Amendment Bill): — Mr. Armitage, Colonel Burns, Mr. Finney, Mr. Gauge, Mr. John Jones, Mr. Lindsay, Mr. Henry McLaren, Brigadier-General Palmer, Major Steel, and Mr. Tweedsmuir Thomson.

Sir Samuel Roberts further reported from the Standing Committee; That they had added the following Fifteen Members to Standing Committee D (in respect of the Protection of Animals Act (1912) Amendment Bill): — Sir John Baird, Sir Frederick Banbury, Sir Thomas Bennett, Colonel Burns, Sir John Butler, Mr. Alfred Davie, Major David Davies, Mr. Ewan Davies, Mr. Gardiner, Lieutenant-Colonel Sir Raymond Greene, Major Howard, Mr. Lindsay, Mr. Newbold, Mr. Spoor, and Sir Alfred Yeo.

Sir Samuel Roberts further reported from the Standing Committee; That they had added the following Fifteen Members to Standing Committee D (in respect of the Local Rates (Increase Prevention) Bill): — Sir William Hyland Adkins, Major Burns, Mr. Cauley, Mr. Neville Chamberlain, Lieutenant-Colonel Craft, Mr. Charles Edwards, Colonel Greig, Mr. Lane-Fox, Mr. Myers, Mr. Pretyman, Lieutenant-Colonel Rogers, Mr. Seddon, Mr. Simm, Mr. James Wilson, and Mr. Kington-Young.

Ordered, That the Reports do lie upon the Table.

The Order for reading a second time, upon importation Thursday next, the Importation of Plumage (Prohibition) (No. 2) Bill was read, and discharged.

Ordered, That the Bill be withdrawn.

Mr. Raffan, supported by Mr. Brood, Mr. Hancock, Mr. Kenyon, Mr. Calboth, Mr. John Murray, Mr. Wurtheringham, Mr. Aneurin Williams, Mr. Sidney Robinson, and Mr. Tweedsmuir Thomson, presented a Bill to enable the parliamentary electors in prescribed areas by direct vote to prohibit the issue within such areas of licences for the sale of intoxicating liquors and also to prohibit the common sale or supply of such liquors in licensed premises, clubs, or elsewhere within such areas: And the same was ordered to be read a second time upon Monday next; and to be printed.

A Motion was made, and the Question being put, That the Proceedings on the Second Reading of the Housing Bill be exempted at this day's Sitting from the provisions of the Standing Order (Sittings of the House) (M. Aucen Chamberlain);

The House divided.

The Yeas to the Right;

The Noes to the Left.

Tellers for the [Colonel Leslie Wilson, Mr. Yeas; Mr. MacCordy:]

Tellers for the [Mr. Griffiths, Noes; Mr. Hogge:]

So it was resolved in the Affirmative.
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The Ninth Resolution, being read a second time, as followeth:

That a sum not exceeding £167,550 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 1922 for Expenditure in respect of the Royal Parks and Pimlou Gardens;

An Amendment was proposed to be made to the Resolution, by leaving out “£167,550,” and inserting “£167,050,”—(Lieutenant-Commander Kenworthy),—instead thereof.

And the Question being put, That “£167,550” stand part of the Resolution:—It was resolved in the Affirmative.

And the Resolution was agreed to.

The Tenth Resolution, being read a second time, as followeth:

That a sum not exceeding £120,000 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 1922 for Expenditure in respect of Diplomatic and Consular Buildings, and for the maintenance of certain Cemeteries abroad;

An Amendment was proposed to be made to the Resolution, by leaving out “£120,000,” and inserting “£110,000,”—(Sir Frederick Banbury),—instead thereof.

And the Question being proposed, That “£120,000” stand part of the Resolution:—The said proposed Amendment was, with leave of the House, withdrawn.

And the Resolution was agreed to.

The Eleventh Resolution, being read a second time, as followeth:

That a sum not exceeding £1,441,450 be granted to His Majesty, to complete the sum necessary to defray the charge which will come in course of payment during the year ending on the 31st day of March 1922 for Expenditure in respect of Customs and Excise, Inland Revenue Office and Telegraph Buildings in Great Britain, and certain Post Offices abroad;

An Amendment was proposed, to be made to the Resolution, by leaving out “£1,441,450,” and inserting “£941,450,”—(Lieutenant-Commander Kenworthy),—instead thereof.

And the Question being proposed, That “£1,441,450” stand part of the Resolution:—The said proposed Amendment was, with leave of the House, withdrawn.

And the Resolution was agreed to.

The Twelfth Resolution, being read a second time, as followeth:

That a sum not exceeding £1,441,450 be granted to His Majesty, to complete the sum necessary to defray the charge which will come in course of payment during the year ending on the 31st day of March 1922 for Expenditure in respect of Diplomatic and Consular Buildings, and for the maintenance of certain Cemeteries abroad;

An Amendment was proposed, to be made to the Resolution, by leaving out “£1,441,450,” and inserting “£841,450,”—(Lieutenant-Commander Kenworthy),—instead thereof.

And the Question being proposed, That “£1,441,450” stand part of the Resolution:—And a Debate arising thereupon;

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

Ordered, That the Debate be resumed to-morrow.

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

The House, according to Order, proceeded to take into consideration the Ninth and subsequent Resolutions which, upon the 2nd day of this instant May, were reported from the Committee of Supply of the 21st day of April last.
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Sir Alfred Mond, 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.

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

And then the House, having continued to Adjournment, sat till three minutes after Eleven of the clock, adjourned till to-morrow.

[No. 53.]

Wednesday, 4th May 1921.

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

PRAYERS.

ORDERED, That Mr. Speaker do issue his Berks County 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, Abingdon Division, in the room of Brigadier-General John Tyson Wigan, C.E., C.M.G., D.S.O., 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.—(Colonel Leslie Wilson.)

A Motion being made, That the Leicester Corporation Bill be now read the third time; Dr. Macnamara, by His Majesty's Command, acquainted the House, That His Majesty, having been informed of the purport of the Bill, gives His consent, as far as His Majesty's interest is concerned, that the House may do therein as they shall think fit.

Then the Bill was read the third time and passed.

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

The North British Railway Order Confirmation Bill was, according to Order, read the third time and passed.

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

Mr. Neal presented a Bill to confirm certain Pier and Provisional Orders made by the Minister of Harbour Transport under the General Pier and Harbour Provisional Orders Act, 1881, relating to Brixham, Cowes, Great Yarmouth, Limerick, and Morecambe: 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 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 grants under the Housing (Additional Powers) Act, 1919, in respect of houses completed within two years and six months of the passing of that Act or such period not exceeding four months, as the Minister of Health may allow in pursuance of any Act of the present Session to amend the law relating to the housing of the people—(Sir Alfred Mond); vol. 178.
which there are or may be public rights of way, was presented, and read; and referred to the Examiners of Petitions for Private Bills.

Mr. Arthur Balfour presented, pursuant to the directions of several Acts of Parliament,—Copy of Order in Council under the British Settlements Act, 1887, dated 32nd April 1921, entitled the Lakes Victoria and Kioga Navigation Order in Council, 1921.

Copy of Order in Council under the Naval and Marine Pay and Pensions Act, 1895, dated 22nd April 1821, relating to the Payment of Senior Lieutenants' Allowance.

Copy of Order in Council under the Territorial and Reserve Forces Act, 1907, dated 22nd April 1921, transferring certain property from the present Trustees to the County Association.

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

Mr. Cecil Harmsworth presented, by His Majesty's Command,—Copy of First Report of a Committee appointed by the Secretary of State for the Colonies to consider certain questions relating to Rhodesia.

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

Mr. Fisher presented, by His Majesty's Command,—Copy of Report of the Board of Education under the Welsh Intermediate Education Act, 1889, for the year 1920.

Mr. Fisher also presented, pursuant to the directions of an Act of Parliament,—Copy of Report of the Board of Education under Section 44 (5) of the Education Act, 1918, as to a deduction from the Substantive Grant for Elementary Education payable to the Local Education Authority for the Borough of Pembroke in respect of the year 1919-20.

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

Mr. Hilton Young presented, by His Majesty's Command,—Copy of Memorandum on the proposed Financial Resolution relative to the National Insurance (Pensions of the Crown) Bill.

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

Sir Eric Geddes presented, pursuant to the directions of an Act of Parliament,—Copy of Report on an application by the North Metropolitan Electric Power Supply Company to the Ministry of Transport under the Public Utility Companies (Capital Issues) Act, 1920.

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

The following Paper, pursuant to the directions of an Act of Parliament, was laid upon the Table by the Clerk of the House: — Copy of the West Riding of Yorkshire Registry Fees (Fees Abolition) Rules, 1921, made under the Yorkshire Registrars Act, 1894.

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 Forth Conservancy Order Confirmation Bill [Lords], without any Amendment.

Sir Harry Samuel reported from the Committee on Group D of Private Bills: That, for (Group B) the convenience of parties, the Committee had adjourned till Friday next, at Eleven of the clock.

Ordered, That the Report do lie upon the Table.

Mr. John William Wilson reported from the Standing Select Committee on Standing Orders a Resolution; which was read, as followeth:

That in the case of the Metropolitan Water Metropolitan Board (Various Powers) Bill, Petition for additional Provision, the Standing Orders ought to be dispensed with; that the parties be permitted to insert their additional Provision if the Committee on the Bill think fit.

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

The Order for reading a second time upon Importation Friday next, the Importation of Plumes (Prohibition) Bill, was read, and discharged.

Ordered, That the Bill be withdrawn.

Mr. Hilton Young reported from the Committee on Speaker's Retirement [King's Address] a Resolution; which was read, as followeth:

That the annual sum of £4,000 net be granted to His Majesty out of the Consolidated Fund of the United Kingdom of Great Britain and Ireland, the said annuity to commence and take effect upon the day upon which the Right Honourable James William Lowther, late Speaker of the House of Commons, ceased to hold the office of Speaker of the House of Commons, to be settled in the most beneficial manner upon and to continue during the life of him the said Right Honourable James William Lowther.

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

Ordered, That a Bill be brought in upon the Mr. Speaker's said Resolution; And that the Chairman of Retirement, Ways and Means, the Prime Minister, Mr. Austen Chamberlain, Mr. Chancellor of the Exchequer, and Mr. Hilton Young, do prepare and bring it in.

Mr. Austen Chamberlain accordingly presented a Bill to settle and secure an annuity upon the Retirement of Right Honourable James William Lowther in consideration of his eminent services: And the same was read the first time, and ordered to be read a second time to-morrow; and to be printed.

A Motion was made, and the Question being proposed, That the Regulations made by His Majesty in Council under the Emergency (Regulations) Powers Act, 1920, shall continue in force, subject, however, to the provisions of Section 2 (4) of the Act.—(Mr. Speaker's Shortt.)

An Amendment was proposed to be made to the Question, 1a. 1, by inserting after the word "Regulations," the words "other than Regulations 19, 20, 21, 22, 23, 24, 27 and 28."—(Captain Wedgwood Benn.)

And the Question being put, That those words be there inserted;
The House divided.
The Yeas to the Right;
The Noes to the Left.
Tellers for the [Mr. Charles White, Yea, [Mr. John Jones,] 61.
Tellers for the [Colonel Leslie Wilson, Noe, [Mr. McCurdy: 230.
So it passed in the Negative.
And the Main Question being again proposed:
—and a Debate arising thereupon;
Commander Ballance rose in his place and claimed to move, That the Question be now put, but Mr. Speaker withheld his assent, and declined then to put that Question:—Then the House resumed the Debate.
Mr. Secretary Shurtt rose in his place and claimed to move, That the Question be now put.
And the Question being put, That the Question be now put;
The House divided.
The Yeas to the Right;
The Noes to the Left.
Tellers for the [Colonel Leslie Wilson, Yea, [Mr. McCurdy: 219.
Tellers for the [Mr. Mill, Noe, [Mr. Sean: 57.
So it was resolved in the Affirmative.
And the Main Question being accordingly put;
The House divided.
The Yeas to the Right;
The Noes to the Left.
Tellers for the [Mr. McCurdy, Yea, [Colonel Leslie Wilson: 216.
Tellers for the [Mr. Thomas Shaw, Noe, [Mr. Neil Maclean: 54.
So it was resolved in the Affirmative.
Resolved, That the Regulations made by His Majesty in Council under the Emergency Powers Act, 1920, by Order dated the 30th day of April 1921, shall continue in force, subject, however, to the provisions of Section 2 (4) of the Act.
A Motion was made, and the Question being proposed, That the working of the Education (Scotland) Act, 1918, has inflicted a heavy burden on certain ratepayers in Scotland, and that it has not tended to increase the efficiency of Scotch education—(Sir Alexander Sprout);
An Amendment was proposed to be made to the Question, in l. 3, by leaving out from the word "That," to the end of the Question, and adding the words "a greater proportion of the financial responsibility ought to be borne by the national Exchequer"—(Mr. Kennedy)—instead thereof.
And the Question being proposed, That the words proposed to be left out stand part of the Question:—And a Debate arising thereupon;
Mr. Adamson rose in his place and claimed to move, That the Question be now put; but Mr. Speaker withheld his assent, and declined then to put that Question:—Then the House resumed the Debate.
And it being Eleven of the clock, the Debate stood adjourned.

The Order of the day being read, for the Trade Disputes Bill;
Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time upon Friday the 3rd day of June next.

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The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Dogs' Protection Bill;
Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time upon Friday the 3rd day of June next.

The Order of the day being read, for the Secretary for Wales Bill;
Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time upon Wednesday next.

The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Ministry of Transport (Transfer of Railways) Bill;
Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time upon Tuesday next.

The Order of the day being read, for the Increase of Rent (Restrictions) Bill;
Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time upon Monday next.

The Order of the day being read, for the Representation of the People Bill;
Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time upon Wednesday next.

The Order of the day being read, for the Sex Disqualification (Removal) Act (1919) Amendment Bill;
Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time to-morrow.

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

The Order of the day being read, for the Licensing (Scotland) Bill;
Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time upon Tuesday next.

The Order of the day being read, for the Local Elections (Proportional Representation) Bill [Lords];
Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time upon Wednesday next.

The Order of the day being read, for taking into consideration the Deceased Wife's Sister's Marriage Act, (1907) Amendment Bill, as amended in the Standing Committee;
Ordered, That the Bill be taken into consideration upon Wednesday next.

The Order of the day being read, for the Capital Punishment (Limitations) 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 Bastardy 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 National Insurance (Forces of the Crown) Bill;
Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time to-morrow.

The Order of the day being read, for resuming the adjourned Debate on the Question proposed upon the 2nd day of this instant May, that this House doth agree with the Committee in the Third of the Resolutions which were then reported from the Committee of Supply of the 21st day of April last;

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

The Order of the day being read, for resuming the adjourned Debate on the Amendment which, upon the 3rd day of this instant May, was proposed to be made to the Eleventh of the Resolutions which upon the 2nd day of this instant May were reported from the Committee of Supply of the 21st day of April last;

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

The Order of the day being read, for taking into consideration the Twelfth of the Resolutions which upon the 2nd day of this instant May were reported from the Committee of Supply of the 21st day of April last;

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

The Order of the day being read, for receiving the Report from the Committee of Supply of the 19th day of April last;

Ordered, That the Report be received to-morrow.

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

Ordered, That the said Order be discharged.

Ordered, That the Bill be withdrawn.

The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Church of Scotland Bill;

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

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

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

The Order of the day being read, for 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 resuming the adjourned Debate on the Question proposed upon the 11th day of April last, That an humble Address be presented to His Majesty thanking His Majesty for His Most Gracious Message communicating to this House His Majesty’s intentions with respect to the Reserve Forces;

Ordered, That the Debate be further adjourned till Monday next.

The House, according to Order, resolved itself into a Committee on Housing [Grants].

(In the Committee.)

Resolved, That, for the purpose of any Act of the present Session to amend the Law relating to housing of the people, and for purposes in connection therewith, it is expedient to authorise the payment, out of moneys provided by Parliament, of grants under section one of the Housing (Additional Powers) Act, 1919, in respect of houses completed within two years and six months of the passing of that Act, or such further period, not exceeding four months, as the Minister of Health may in any special case allow.—(Sir Alfred Mist; )

Resolution to be reported.

Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair; and Sir Frederick Banbury 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 taking Emergency into consideration His Majesty’s Message of the 2nd day of this instant May relative to the Emergency Powers Act, 1920;

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

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

STANDING COMMITTEES.

Distribution by Mr. Speaker, pursuant to Standing Order No. 47, of Bills committed to a Standing Committee.

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[No. 54.]

Thursday, 5th May 1921.

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

PRAYERS.

The Burnley Corporation Bill was read the Burnley third time and passed.

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

The Croydon Corporation Water Bill was Croydon read the third time and passed.

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

Mr. Hilton Young presented, pursuant to the Ministry of directions of several Acts of Parliament, Munitions Appropriation Account of the sums granted by Parliament to defray the Expenses of the Ministry of Munitions for the year ended 31st
March 1920; with the Annual Accounts of the National Factories and the Report of the Comptroller and Auditor General thereon. 

Appropriation Account of the sums granted by Parliament for the Expenditure of the Ordnance Factories, the cost of the production of which has been charged to the Army, Navy, Ministry of Munitions, and Indian and Colonial Governments, etc., for the year ended 31st March 1920; with the Report of the Comptroller and Auditor General thereon.

Annual Accounts of the Ordnance Factories for the year 1919-20, with the Report of the Comptroller and Auditor General thereon.

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

Mr. Secretary Shortt presented, pursuant to the directions of an Act of Parliament,—Copies of Orders made under the Shops Act, 1912, by the Councils of the under-mentioned Local Authorities, and confirmed by the Secretary of State for the Home Department:—

- Borough of Brighton;
- Borough of Chatham;
- Borough of Oldham;
- Borough of Preston.

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

Mr. Kelby, pursuant to the directions of an Act of Parliament,—Copy of the Telephone Regulations, 1921, dated 31st March 1921.

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

The following Paper, pursuant to the directions of an Act of Parliament, was laid upon the Table by the Clerk of the House:—General Report of the Proceedings of the Conservators of the River Thames during the year 1920, with a Statement of the Accounts of the Conservators for that year.

Ordered, That the said Paper be printed.

Colonel Bowles reported from the Committee on the North Staffordshire Railway Bill; That they had examined the allegations contained in the Preamble to 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 thereof.

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

Colonel Bowles reported from the Committee on Group 1 of Railway Bills; That, for the convenience of parties, the Committee had adjourned till Thursday the 26th day of this instant May, at Eleven of the clock.

Ordered, That the Report do lie upon the Table.

Mr. John William Wilson reported from the Chairman’s Panel; That they had appointed Sir William Pearce to act as Chairman of Standing Committee B (in respect of the Housing Bill).

Ordered, That the Report do lie upon the Table.

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Mr. Speaker acquainted the House, That a Message from the Lords by the Lords’ Clerk of the House, had been brought from the Lords by the Lords’ one of their Clerks, as follows:

The Lords have agreed to the Portsmouth Portsmouth Water Bill, with Amendments; to which the Lords desire the concurrence of this House.

The Lords communicate the Minutes of Doupe’s Evidence and Proceedings taken upon the Second Reading of Doupe’s Divorce Bill (Lords) [Lords], as desired by the Commons, with a request that the same may be returned.

The Lords communicate that they have come to 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.

The Lords propose that the Joint Committee on Gas and Water Bills do meet in Committee Bills. Room No. 4, on Thursday the 9th day of June next, at Twelve of the clock.

The House proceeded to take so much of the Gas and Water Lords’ Message of this day as relates to the Bill, place and time of meeting of the Committee on Gas and Water Bills into consideration.

Ordered, That the Committee appointed by this House do meet the Lords’ Committee as proposed by their Lordships.—(Colonel Leslie Wilson.)

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

The Chairman of Ways and Means reported from the Committee on the Ministry of Health Provisional Orders (No. 1) Bill; That they had considered the Orders therein contained; that the said Orders ought to be confirmed; and that they had directed him to report the Bill, without Amendment, to the House.

Ordered, That the Report do lie upon the Table.

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

The Chairman of Ways and Means reported from the Committee on the Ministry of Health Provisional Orders (No. 2) Bill; That they had considered the Orders therein contained; that the said Orders ought to be confirmed; and that they had directed him to report the Bill, with Amendments, to the House.

Ordered, That the Report do lie upon the Table.

Ordered, That the Bill, as amended in the Committee, be taken into consideration to-morrow.

The Chairman of Ways and Means reported from the Committee on the Ministry of Health Provisional Orders (No. 3) Bill; That they had considered the Orders therein contained; that the said Orders ought to be confirmed; and that they had directed him to report the Bill, with an Amendment, to the House.

Ordered, That the Report do lie upon the Table.

Ordered, That the Bill, as amended in the Committee, be taken into consideration to-morrow.
The Chairman of Ways and Means reported from the Committee on the Radcliffe and Little Lever Joint Gas Board Bill; That they had examined the allegations contained in the preamble of the Bill, and found the same to be true; and had gone through the Bill and made Amendments thereto, and had amended the title, as followeth:—A Bill to constitute and incorporate a Joint Board consisting of representatives of the Urban District Councils of Radcliffe and Little Lever and to transfer to and vest in such Board the undertaking of the Radcliffe and Pilkington Gas Company, and for other purposes.

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

Westgate and Birchington Water Bill.

The Chairman of Ways and Means reported the Westgate and Birchington Water Bill, with Amendments.

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

Oxford Motor Services Bill [Lords].

The Chairman of Ways and Means reported the Oxford Motor Services Bill [Lords], without Amendment.

Ordered, That the Report do lie upon the Table.

Ordered, That the Bill be read the third time.

Ionian Bank Bill [Lords].

The Chairman of Ways and Means reported the Ionian Bank Bill [Lords], without Amendment.

Ordered, That the Report do lie upon the Table.

Ordered, That the Bill be read the third time.

Wrexham and East Denbighshire Water Bill.

The Chairman of Ways and Means reported from the Committee on the Wrexham and East Denbighshire Water Bill; That they had examined the allegations contained in the preamble of the Bill, and amended the same so as to make it consistent with the provisions of the Bill as passed by the Committee, and found the same, as amended, to be true; and had gone through the Bill and made Amendments thereto.

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

Dentists Bill, Bill 95.

Sir Alfred Mond, supported by Sir Hamar Greenwood and Mr. Muir, presented a Bill to amend the Dentists Act, 1878, and the provisions of the Medical Act, 1886, amending that Act: And the same was ordered to be read a second time upon Monday next; and to be printed.

Supply [9th allotted day].

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

(In the Committee.)

Civil Services and Revenue Departments Estimates, 1921-22.

Class II.

Motion made, and Question proposed, That a sum not exceeding £12,520 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 1922 for the Salaries and Expenses of the Department of His Majesty's Secretary of State for Foreign Affairs, including the News Department:

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 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 19th day of April last;

Ordered, That the Report be received upon Monday next.

The Order of the day being read, for resuming Supply the adjourned Debate on the Amendment which, upon the 3rd day of this instant May, was proposed to be made to the Eleventh of the Resolutions which, upon the 2nd day of this instant May, were reported from the Committee of Supply of the 21st day of April last;

Ordered, That the Debate be further adjourned till Monday next.

The Order of the day being read, for taking Supply into consideration the Twelfth of the Resolutions which, upon the 2nd day of this instant May, were reported from the Committee of Supply of the 21st day of April last;

Ordered, That the said Resolution be taken into consideration upon Monday next.

The Order of the day being read, for resuming Supply the adjourned Debate on the Question proposed upon the 2nd day of this instant May, That this House do agree with the Committee in the Third of the Resolutions which were then reported from the Committee of Supply of the 21st day of April last;

Ordered, That the Debate be further adjourned till Monday next.

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

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

Mr. Speaker's Retirement Bill was, according to Mr. Speaker's Order, read a second time.

Ordered, That the Bill be committed to a Committee of the whole House for Monday next.—(Colonel Leslie Wilson.)

Colonel Leslie Wilson reported from the Com-Committee on Housing [Grants] a Resolution; which [Grants] was read, as followeth:

That, for the purpose of any Act of the present Session to amend the Law relating to housing of the people and for purposes in connection therewith, it is expedient to authorise the payment, out of moneys provided by Parliament, of grants under section one of the Housing (Additional Powers) Act, 1919, in respect of houses completed within two years and six months of the passing of that Act, or such further period, not exceeding four months, as the Minister of Health may in any special case allow.

The said Resolution, being read a second time, was agreed to.
The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the National Insurance (Forces of the Crown) 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 House of Commons and Municipal Corporations (Qualification of Clergymen) 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 Merchant Shipping (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 Minimum Wage (Temporary Suspension) 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 Representation of the People Act, 1911 (Repeal) 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 Ministry of Health Provisional Orders (No. 1) Bill, as amended in the Committee.
Ordered, That the Bill be read a third time.

The House proceeded to take into consideration the Ministry of Health Provisional Orders (No. 2) Bill, as amended in the Committee.
Ordered, That the Bill be read the third time.

The House proceeded to take into consideration the Middlesex County Council (General Powers) Bill, as amended in the Committee.
Ordered, That the Bill be read the third time.

The House proceeded to take into consideration the Sunderland and South Shields Water Bill, as amended in the Committee.
Ordered, That the Bill be read the third time.

The House, according to Order, proceeded to consider the Ministry of Health Provisional Orders (No. 3) Bill, as amended in the Committee.
Ordered, That the Bill be read the third time upon Monday next.

A Public Petition was presented, and read; Public Petitions. Vide First Report.

Mr. Baldwin presented, pursuant to the directions of an Act of Parliament,—Copy of Report on an application by the Reddish Gas Company (Capital Companies (Scheme for the Board of Trade under the Public Utility Capital Powers) Act, 1929.)
Ordered, That the said Paper do lie upon the Table.

Mr. Secretary Shortt presented, pursuant to Factory and Workshop Act, 1907, for the regulation of the hours of employment of persons who light the laundry institutions, and ordered to lie upon the Table.

[No. 55.]

Friday, 6th May 1921.

The House met at Twelve of the clock.

PRAYERS.

THE House proceeded to take into consideration the London County Council (General Powers) Bill, as amended in the Committee.
Ordered, That the Bill be read the third time.

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Ordered, That the Bill be read the third time.

The House proceeded to take into consideration the London County Council (General Powers) Bill, as amended in the Committee.
Ordered, That the Bill be read the third time.
Convent of the Good Shepherd, Dalbeth, Toll Cross, Glasgow.

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

Sir Eric Geddes presented, by His Majesty's Command,—Copy of Order, dated 29th April 1921, made under the Roads Act, 1920, amending the Road Vehicles (Registration and Licensing) Regulations, 1921, as regards the county of Surrey.

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

Mr. Pretyman, supported by Captain Sir Bessie Stonier, Lieutenant-Colonel Marrowah Wilson, and Mr. Irving, presented a Bill to increase the maximum licence duties for fishing for salmon and freshwater fish: And the same was ordered to be read a second time upon Monday next; and to be printed.

Ordered, That the Bill be withdrawn.

The Guardianship, &c., of Infants Bill was, according to Order, read a second time, and committed to a Standing Committee.

The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Local Authorities (Payment of Expenses) Bill;

And a Motion being made, and the Question being proposed, That the Bill be now read a second time:—And a Debate arising thereupon;

Mr. Snow rose in his place and claimed to move, That the Question be now put, but Mr. Speaker withheld his assent, and declined then to put that Question:—Then the House resumed the Debate.

And it being Five of the clock, the Debate stood adjourned.

Ordered, That the Debate be resumed upon Monday next.

The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Temperance (Wales) Bill;

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time upon Friday the 3rd day of June next.

The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Trade Union Ballot 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 Bastardy Bill;

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

Sir Harry Samuel reported from the Committee on the Lochaber Water Power Bill; That they had examined the allegations contained in the Preamble of the Bill, and made an Amendment thereto, 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.

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

[No. 56.]
Monday, 9th May 1921.

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

PRAYERS.

The House proceeded to take into consideration the Amendments made by the Lords to the Portsmouth Water Bill: And the same were twice read, and agreed to.

Ordered, That the Clerk do carry the Bill to the Lords; and acquaint them that this House hath agreed to the Amendments made by their Lordships.

The Ionian Bank Bill [Lords] was read the third time and passed.

Ordered, That the Clerk do carry the Bill to the Lords; and acquaint them that this House hath agreed to the same, without Amendment.

The Oxford Motor Services Bill [Lords], That the Oxford Motor Services Bill [Lords], was read the third time and passed.

Ordered, That the Clerk do carry the Bill to the Lords; and acquaint them that this House hath agreed to the same, without Amendment.

The House proceeded to take into consideration the Bristol Water Bill [Lords], as amended in Bill [Lords] the Committee.

The House proceeded to take into consideration the East Surrey Water Bill, as amended in the Water Bill Committee.

The House proceeded to take into consideration the Sutton District Waterworks Bill, as amended in the Committee.

The House proceeded to take into consideration the Westgate and Birchington Water Bill, as amended in the Committee.

Ordered, That the Bill do lie upon the Table.
Ordered, That the London County Council (Money) Bill be read a second time to-morrow.

The Preston Corporation Bill [Lords] was read a second time, and committed.

The Ministry of Health 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.

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Bill 97.

Certain Provisional Orders of the Minister of Health relating to Oil in Papua.

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SIR ALFRED MAND presented a Bill to confirm certain Provisional Orders of the Minister of Health relating to Braintrout (Rural), Breda-stairs and Saint Peter's, Caerphilly, Ripon, Sheffield, Southend-on-Sea, Whitley and Monksheat, the Showbury and Atcham Joint Hospital Districts, and the county of Huntington: And the same was read the first time.

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

Sir HAMAR GROUNDS presented, pursuant to the directions of an Act of Parliament,—Copy of Report Companies on an application by the Llandravant and District (Capital) Gas Company to the Board of Trade under the Public Utility Companies (Capital Issues) Act, 1920.

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

Sir HAMAR GROUNDS presented, pursuant to the directions of an Act of Parliament,—Copy of Protocol establishing the Permanent Court of International Justice.

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

Mr. ATTORNEY GENERAL presented, by His Majesty's Command,—Copy of Memorandum on the Law of Property Bill [Lords.]

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

Mr. HILTON YOUNG presented, by His Majesty's Command,—Copy of Statement showing the Staffs of the Government Departments at 1st March 1921, compiled from Returns furnished to the Treasury.

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

Mr. HILTON YOUNG presented, by His Majesty's Command,—Copy of Statement showing the Staffs of Government Departments on 1st March 1921, compiled from Returns furnished to the Treasury.

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

Mr. ATTORNEY GENERAL presented, pursuant to the directions of an Act of Parliament,—Copy of Statement showing the Staffs of Government Departments on 1st April 1921, compiled from Returns furnished to the Treasury.

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

The Lord Advocate presented, pursuant to the directions of an Act of Parliament,—Copies (Scotland) of University Court Ordinance, No. 101 (Saint (Ordinances) Andrews, No. 21) (Foundation of Chair of French Language and Literature), and No. 102 (Saint Andrews, No. 22) (Library Committee, Supplementary to Ordinance No. 8, Saint Andrews, Aberdeen, and Edinburgh, No. 1 Libraries and Museums) under the Universities (Scotland) Act, 1889.

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

SIR SAMUEL ROBERTS reported from the Com-Selection mittee of Selection; That they had added (Standing Committee) the following Ten Members to Standing Committee A (in respect of the Agriculture Committee A. (Amendment) Bill [Lords].)—Sir Arthur Griffiths-Brown cen, Mr. Cauntley, Mr. Thomas Davies, Major Howard, Mr. Gardiner, Mr. Pentyman, T.
Mr. Royce, Mr. Walter Smith, Sir Courtenay Warner, and Mr. Charles White.

Standing Committee B. Sir Samuel Roberts further reported from the Committee: That they had added the following Member to Standing Committee B:—Mr. Solicitor General for Ireland.

Standing Committee B. Sir Samuel Roberts further reported from the Committee: That they had added the following Twelve Members to Standing Committee B (in respect of the Housing Bill):—Mr. Cowan, Lieutenant-Colonel Fraumont, Mr. Gilbert, Mr. Griffiths, Mr. John Guest, Lieutenant-Colonel Harst, Mr. Lorden, Major Molson, Sir Alfred Mond, Mr. Myers, Mr. Samuel Roberts, Mr. Trendelen Thompson, Earl Winterton, Sir Kingsley Wood, and Sir Alfred Yeo.

Ordered, That the Reports do lie upon the Table.

New Member sworn.

Eustace Sutherland Campbell Percy, Esquire, commonly called Lord Eustace Sutherland Campbell Percy, Member for the Borough of Hastings, was sworn.

Housing (Scotland) Bill. Mr. Munro, supported by Sir Charles Sugden, and Mr. Solicitor General for Scotland, presented a Bill to make further provision for the extension of the time for the construction of houses in Scotland for the purpose of obtaining grants under section one of the Housing (Additional Powers) Act, 1919, and to limit the aggregate amount of such grants in respect of houses in Scotland: And the same was ordered to be read a second time upon Wednesday next; and to be printed.

Public Defender Bill. Mr. Bettamley, supported by Mr. Leslie Scott, Sir John Butcher, Mr. George Jones, Sir Kingsley Wood, Mr. Sudder, Mr. Clement Edwards, Mr. Houston, Major Christopher Lovett, Sir Thomas Polson, and Sir Charles Townshend, presented a Bill to establish the office of Public Defender: And the same was ordered to be read a second time upon Tuesday the 24th day of this instant May; and to be printed.

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

(In the Committee.) Safeguarding of Industries. Motion made, and Question proposed, That for a period of five years from the passing of an Act for giving effect to this Resolution there shall be charged on any of the following articles imported into Great Britain or Ireland a customs duty of an amount equal to 33½ per cent. of the value of the article, that is to say:

(a) Optical glass and optical elements, whether finished or not, microscopes, field and opera glasses, theodolites, sextants, spectrometers, and other optical instruments;
(b) Beakers, flasks, burettes, measuring cylinders, thermometers, tubing, and other scientific glassware and lamp-blown ware, evaporating dishes, crucibles, combustion boats, and other laboratory porcelain;
(c) Galvanometers, pyrometers, electrosopes, barometers, analytical and other precision balances, and other scientific instruments, gauges, and measuring instruments of precision of the types used in engineering machine shops and viewing rooms, whether for use in such shops or rooms or not;
(d) Wireless valves and similar rectifiers, and vacuum tubes;
(e) Ignition magneto and permanent magnets;
(f) Arc-lamp carbons;
(g) Hosiery latch needles;
(h) Metallic tungsten, ferro-tungsten and manufactured products of metallic tungsten and compounds (not including ores or minerals) of thorium, cerium, and the other rare earth metals;
(i) All synthetical organic chemicals (other than synthetic organic dyestuffs, colours and colouring matters imported for use as such, and organic intermediate products imported for their manufacture), analytical reagents, all other fine chemicals and chemicals manufactured by fermentation processes; including any articles comprised in any list which may from time to time be issued by the Board of Trade for defining the articles which are to be taken as falling under any of the general descriptions set out above.—(Mr. Baldwin.)

Amendment proposed, in l.1, to leave out the words "five years," in order to insert the words "one year."—(Sir William Barton.)

Question proposed, That the words "five years" stand part of the Question:

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

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

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

The House, according to Order, resolved itself into Mr. Speaker's Retirement Bill.

(In the Committee.)

Clauses No. I 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 Order of the day being read, for the National Insurance (Forces of the Crown) Bill;

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

The Order of the day being read, for taking Emergency into consideration His Majesty's Message of the 12th March, 2nd day of this instant May relative to the Emergency Powers Act, 1920;

Ordered, That the said Message be taken into consideration upon Thursday next.
The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Dentists Bill;
Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time upon Wednesday next.

The Order of the day being read, for the Committee of Supply;
Resolved, That this House will, upon Wednesday next, resolve itself into the said Committee.

The Order of the day being read, for receiving the Report from the Committee of Supply of the 21st day of April last;
Ordered, That the Report be received upon Wednesday next.

The Order of the day being read, for resuming the adjourned Debate on the Amendment which, upon the 3rd day of this instant May, was proposed to be made to the Eleventh of the Resolutions which, upon the 2nd day of this instant May, were reported from the Committee of Supply of the 21st day of April last;
Ordered, That the Debate be further adjourned till Wednesday next.

The Order of the day being read, for taking into consideration the Twelfth of the Resolutions which, upon the 2nd day of this instant May, were reported from the Committee of Supply of the 21st day of April last;
Ordered, That the said Resolution be taken into consideration upon Wednesday next.

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

The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Church of Scotland Bill;
Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time upon Thursday next.

The Order of the day being read, for resuming the adjourned Debate on the Question proposed upon the 2nd day of this instant May, That this House doth agree with the Committee in the Third of the Resolutions which were then reported from the Committee of Supply of the 21st day of April last;
Ordered, That the Debate be further adjourned till Wednesday next.

The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Electricity (Supply) Bill;
Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time upon Thursday next.

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

The Order of the day being read, for resuming the adjourned Debate on the Question proposed upon the 2nd day of this instant May, That the Jurors' Expenses Bill be now read a second time;
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Ordered, That the Clerk do carry the Bill to the Lords, and desire their concurrence.

The Sunderland and South Shields Water Sunderland Bill was read the third time and passed.

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

The Order of the day being read, for the London County Council (General Powers: Second Reading of the London County Council (Money) Bill; Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time upon Wednesday the 25th day of this instant May.

Sir Hamar Greenwood presented a Bill to Local Government Board for Ireland relating to the county borough of Belfast and the urban districts of Enniskillen and Pembroke; And the Bill was read the third time.

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

Mr. Arthur Balfour presented, pursuant to the directions of several Acts of Parliament,—Copy of Order in Council under the Foreign Jurisdiction Act, 1890, dated 21st December 1920, entitled the China (Amendment) Order in Council, No. 3, 1920.

Copy of Order in Council under the Merchant Shipping Acts, dated 14th February 1921, Shipping Acts, declaring His Majesty’s Assent to a reserved Bill of the Commonwealth of Australia, entitled a Bill for an Act to amend the Navigation Act, 1912-19.

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

Sir Alfred Mond presented, pursuant to the approved directions of an Act of Parliament,—Copy of Societies Act, 1881. Report of the Departmental Committee of the Ministry of Health on Approved Societies (Departmental Administration Allowance).

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

Sir Hamar Greenwood presented, pursuant to the Act, for an Act to amend the Merchant Shipping Acts, 1854, entitled the China (Amendment) Order in Council, No. 3, 1920.

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

Mr. Cecil Harmsworth presented, by His Majesty’s Command,—Copy of Treaty Series (No. 8, 1921.) of Order in Council under the Pharmacy Act (Ireland ), 1875, dated 29th April 1921, approving of Regulations made by the Pharmaceutical Society of Ireland relating to the Preliminary and Pharmaceutical Licence Examinations.

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

Sir Halford Mackinder reported from Standing Committee D, to whom the Importation of Cosmetics D. Plumes (Prohibition) (No. 3) Bill was referred, That they had gone through the Bill and made Amendments thereinunto.

Ordered, That the Report do lie upon the No. 107. Table; and be printed.
Ordered, That the Minutes of the Proceedings of the Standing Committee be printed.

Bill 101.

Ordered, That the Bill, as amended in the Standing Committee, be taken into consideration upon Friday the 10th day of June next, and be printed.

Mr. John William Wilson reported from the Chairman's Panel; That they had appointed Mr. William Nicholson to act as Chairman of Standing Committee A (in respect of the Agriculture (Amendment) Bill [Lords]); Mr. Rendall to act as Chairman of Standing Committee D (in respect of the Ceres Sales Bill and the Title Annuities (Apportionment Bill); Mr. Hodgson to act as Chairman of Standing Committee D (in respect of the Protection of Animals Act 1911 Amendment Bill); Mr. Rendall to act as Chairman of Standing Committee D (in respect of the Local Rates Increase (Prevention) Bill and the Guardianship, etc., of Infants Bill); and Mr. John William Wilson to act as Chairman of the Standing Committee on Scottish Bills (in respect of the Protection of Animals (Scotland) Act 1912 Amendment Bill).

Ordered, That the Report do lie upon the Table.

Sir Samuel Roberts reported from the Committee of Selection; That they had discharged the following Member from Standing Committee A:—Mr. Reginald Nicholson.

Ordered, That the Report do lie upon the Table.

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

The Lords have agreed to the North British Railway Order Confirmation Bill, with an Amendment; to which the Lords desire the concurrence of this House.

The Lords have passed a Bill, intituled An Act to confirm a Provisional Order under the Private Legislation Procedure (Scotland) Act, 1899, to be taken into consideration to-morrow.

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

(Being the Committee.)

Safeguarding of Industries.

Question proposed, That for a period of five years from the passing of an Act for giving effect to this Resolution there shall be charged on any of the following articles imported into Great Britain or Ireland a customs duty of an amount equal to 331 per cent. of the value of the article, that is to say—

(a) Optical glass and optical elements, whether finished or not, microscopes, field and opera glasses, theodolites, sextants, spectrosopes, and other optical instruments;

(b) Beakers, flasks, burettes, measuring cylinders, thermometers, tubing, and other scientific glassware and lamp-blown ware, evaporating dishes, crucibles, combustion boats, and other laboratory porcelain;

(c) Galvanometers, pyrometers, electroscopes, barometers, analytical and other precision balances, and other scientific instruments, gauges; and measuring instruments of precision of the types used in engineering machine shops and viewing rooms, whether for use in such shops or rooms or not;

(d) Wireless valves and similar rectifiers, and vacuum tubes;

(e) Ignition magneto, and permanent magnets;

(f) Arc-lamp carbons;

(g) Hoseery latch needles;

(b) Metallic tungsten, ferro-tungsten and manufactured products of metallic tungsten and compounds (not including ores or minerals) of thorium, cerium, and the other rare earth metals;

(i) All synthetic organic chemicals (other than synthetic organic dyestuffs, colours and colouring matters imported for use as such and organic intermediate products imported for their manufacture), analytical reagents, all other fine chemicals and chemicals manufactured by fermentation processes; including any articles comprised in any list which may from time to time be issued by the Board of Trade for defining the articles which are to be taken as falling under any of the general descriptions set out above.

Amendment proposed, in L. 1, to leave out the words "five years" in order to insert the words "one year."

Question again proposed, That the words "five years" stand part of the Question.
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The Order of the day being read, the Second Reading of the Local Authorities (Disqualification Removal) Bill;

Ordered, That the Bill be rea a second time upon Wednesday the 1st day of June next.

The Order of the day being read, for the Bastardy Bill;

Second Reading of the Bastardy Bill;

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

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

[No. 58.]

Wednesday, 11th May 1921.

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

PRAYERS.

The House proceeded to take into consideration the Amendment made by the Lords to the North British Railway Order Confirmation Bill: And the same was twice read, and agreed to.

Ordered, That the Clerk do carry the Bill to the Lords; and acquaint them that this House hath agreed to the Amendment made by their Lordships.

The House, according to Order, proceeded to take into consideration the Dundee Gas Order Confirmation Bill [Lords].

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

The Ministry of Health Provisional Order (Barnsley Extension) Bill was, according to Order, read a second time, and committed.

The Ministry of Health Provisional Orders (No. 5) Bill was, according to Order, read a second time, and committed.

Mr. Neal presented a Bill to confirm certain Provisional Orders made by the Minister of Transport under the General Pier and Harbour Order Act, 1861, relating to Bridport, Brighton, Fowey, and Llanelli: And the same was read the first time.

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

Sir Alfred Mond presented a Bill to confirm certain Provisional Orders of the Minister of Health relating to Derby, Doncaster, Hemel Hempstead, Newton-in-Makerfield, Runcorn, Bill, Stockport, and Swanage: 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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Sir Alfred Mond presented a Bill to confirm a Provisional Order of the Minister of Health relating to Newark: 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.

Ministry of Health
Provincial Orders (Newark Extension) Bill. No. 105.

Sir Alfred Mond presented a Bill to confirm a Provisional Order of the Minister of Health relating to Shadeford: 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.

Ministry of Health
Provincial Orders (Shadeford Extension) Bill. No. 106.

Sir Alfred Mond presented a Bill to confirm a Provisional Order of the Minister of Health relating to Taunton: 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.

Ministry of Health
Provincial Orders (Taunton Extension) Bill. No. 107.

Sir Alfred Mond presented a Bill to confirm certain Provisional Orders of the Minister of Health relating to Rotherham and Sheffield: 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.

Ministry of Health
Provincial Orders (Rotherham and Sheffield Extension) Bill. No. 108.

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

Mr. Secretary Shortt presented, by His Majesty's Command,—Copy of Report of the Commissioner of Police for the Metropolis for the year 1920.

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

Dissolution of Animals Acts.

Six Arthur Griffith-Boscawen presented, pursuant to the directions of an Act of Parliament, —Copy of Order under the Diseases of Animals Acts, dated 2nd May 1921, authorising the landing of two Duiker Bok Antelopes in the Port of Southampton.

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

Dissolution of Animals Acts.

Six Alfred Mond presented, by His Majesty's Command,—Copy of Memorandum by the Government Actuary on the Washington Draft Convention concerning the employment of Women before and after Childbirth.

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

Government Insurance and Annuities.

Mr. Hilton Young 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 for the year 1920.

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

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Sir Eric Geddes presented, by His Majesty's Railways Bill, Command,—Copy of Memorandum by the Ministry of Transport on the Railways Bill.

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

Col. Jackson reported from the Committee Private Bills on Group B of Private Bills; That, for the convenience of parties, the Committee had adjourned till Monday the 30th day of this instant May, at Twelve of the clock.

Ordered, That the Report do lie upon the Table.

Sir William Pearce reported from Standing Standing Committee B, to whom the Housing Bill was Committee B referred; That they had gone through the Bill and made Amendments thereunto.

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

Ordered, That the Minutes of the Proceedings of the Standing Committee be printed.

Ordered, That the Bill, as amended in the Standing Committee, be taken into consideration to-morrow; and be printed.

The Chairman of Ways and Means reported Limerick the Limerick Markets Bill, without Amendment.

Ordered, That the Report do lie upon the Table.

Ordered, That the Bill be read the third time.

The Chairman of Ways and Means reported British from the Committee on the British Dyestuffs Dye-stuffs Corporation (Railways Transfer) 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 the Lords by the Lords, one of their Clerks, as followeth:

The Lords have agreed to the Treaty of Peace (Hungary) Bill, without any Amendment. Bill

The Lords have agreed to the Herts and Essex Water Bill, with an Amendment; to which the Lords desire the concurrence of this House.

The Lords have agreed to the Public Health Public Health (Tuberculosis) Bill, with Amendments; to (Tuberculosis) which the Lords desire the concurrence of this House.

The Lords have passed a Bill, intituled An Liverpool Act to consolidate, with Amendments, the local Liverpool Corporation Bill [Lords.]

Acts in force within the city of Liverpool; to provide for the union of the parishes therein and to consolidate the local rates leviable in the city; to authorise the construction of new tramways and street improvements and to make provision in regard to the various undertakings of the Corporation; to make better provision for the health, local government, and finance of the city, and for other purposes; to which the Lords desire the concurrence of this House.

The Lords have passed a Bill, intituled An Mid-Wales Act to transfer to and vest in the Mid-Glamorgan Glamorgan Water Board the water undertaking of the Water Board (Lords.); Bridgend (Glamorganshire) Gas and Water Companys; to extend the limits of the Board for the supply of water, and for other purposes;
to which the Lords desire the concurrence of this House.

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

The Liverpool Corporation Bill [Lords] was read the first time.

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

The Mid-Glamorgan Water Board Bill [Lords] was read the first time.

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

Mr. Alfred Davies, supported by Mr. Clynes, Mr. Thomas Shears, and Mr. James Bell, presented a Bill to re-enact and consolidate, with Amendments, certain enactments relating to animals, knackners, and knackners' yards, and to make further provision with respect thereto and with respect to slaughter-houses, and to repeal certain enactments, and for purposes connected with the matters aforesaid: And the same was ordered to be read a second time upon Tuesday the 31st day of this instant May; and to be printed.

Sir Eric Geddes, supported by Mr. Austen Chamberlain, Mr. Chancellor of the Exchequer, Mr. Secretary Shortt, Mr. Attorney General, Mr. Baldwin, Mr. Munro, and Mr. Neal, presented a Bill to provide for the reorganisation and further regulation of railways and the discharge of liabilities arising in connection with the possession of railways, otherwise to amend the Law relating to railways, and to extend the duration of the Rates Advisory Committee: And the same was ordered to be read a second time to-morrow; and to be printed.

Ordered, That the Proceedings of the Committee of Ways and Means be exempted at this day's Sitting from the provisions of the Standing Order (Sittings of the House).—(Mr. Austen Chamberlain.)

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

(The Committee.)

Safeguarding of Industries.

Question again proposed, That for a period of five years from the passing of an Act for giving effect to this Resolution there shall be charged on any of the following articles imported into Great Britain or Ireland a customs duty of an amount equal to 56.5 per cent. of the value of the article, that is to say:—

(a) Optical glass and optical elements, whether finished or not, microscopes, field and opera glasses, theodolites, sextants, spectoscopes, or other optical instruments;
(b) Beakers, flasks, burettes, measuring cylinders, thermometers, tubing, and other scientific glassware and lamp-blown ware, evaporating dishes, crucibles, combustion boats, and other laboratory porcelain;
(c) Galvanometers, pyrometers, electrodynamometers, barometers, analytical and other precision balances, and other scientific instruments, gauges, and measuring instruments of precision of the types used in engineering machine shops and viewing rooms, whether for use in such shops or rooms or not;
(d) Wireless valves and similar rectifiers, and vacuum tubes;
(e) Ignition magnets and permanent magnets;
(f) Arc-lamp carbons;
(g) Hosiery latch-needles;
(h) Metallic tungsten, ferro-tungsten and manufactured products of metallic tungsten and compounds (not including ores or minerals) of thorium, cerium, and the other rare earth metals;
(i) All synthetic organic chemicals (other than synthetic organic dyestuffs, colours, and colouring matters imported for use as such, and organic intermediate products imported for their manufacture), analytical re-agents, all other fine chemicals and chemicals manufactured by fermentation processes;

including any articles comprised in any list which may from time to time be issued by the Board of Trade for defining the articles which are to be taken as falling under any of the general descriptions set out above.

Another Amendment proposed, in 1. 9, after the word "articles," to insert the words "made in Germany". (Major Mackenzie Wood.)

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

Another Amendment proposed, in 1. 5, to leave out paragraph (a).—(Dr. Murray.)

Question proposed, That the words proposed to be left out stand part of the Question:—Debate arising:

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

Question put, That the Question be now put:

The Committee divided.

Tellers for the (w) Mr. Leslie Wilson, 238.

Tellers for the (w) Mr. McCurdy, 237.

Question proposed, That the words proposed to be left out stand part of the Question;

The Committee divided.

Tellers for the (w) Mr. Leslie Wilson, 247.

Tellers for the (w) Mr. McCurdy, 247.

Mr. Austen Chamberlain rose in his place and claimed to move, That the Question be now put.

Question put, That the Question be now put:

The Committee divided.

Tellers for the (w) Mr. Leslie Wilson, 238.

Tellers for the (w) Mr. McCurdy, 238.
Question put accordingly, That the words proposed to be left out stand part of the Question;—

The Committee divided.

Tellers for the Yes;—
Mr. McCardy, Colonel Sir John Gilmore;—235.
Mr. Kiley;—75.
Mr. Asen Chamberlain claimed, That the Main Question be now put.

Main Question put accordingly.

The Committee divided.

Tellers for the Yes;—
Mr. McCardy, Colonel Sir John Gilmore;—236.
Mr. Asen Chamberlain claimed, That the Main Question be now put.

Main Question put accordingly.

Heads. That for a period of five years from the passing of an Act for giving effect to this Resolution there shall be charged on any of the following articles imported into Great Britain or Ireland a customs duty of an amount equal to 33½ per cent. of the value of the article, that is to say—

(a) Optical glass and optical elements, whether finished or not, microscopes, field and opera glasses, theodolites, sextants, spectrosopes, and other optical instruments;

(b) Beakers, flasks, burettes, measuring cylin-
ders, thermometers, tubing, and other scientific glassware and lamp-blown ware, evaporating dishes, crucibles, combustion boats, and other laboratory porcelain;

(c) Galvanometers, pyrometers, electroscopes, barometers, analytical and other precision balances, and other scientific instruments, gauges, and measuring instruments of precision for the types of the uses in engineering machine shops and viewing rooms, whether for use in such shops or rooms or not;

(d) Wireless valves and similar rectifiers, and vacuum tubes;

(e) Ignition magneto and permanent magnets;

(f) Arc lamp carbons;

(g) Hosey lath needle;

(h) Metallic tungsten, ferro-tungsten, and manufactured products of metallic tungsten and compounds (not including ores or minerals) of thorium, cerium, and the other rare earth metals;

(i) All synthetic organic chemicals (other than synthetic organic dyestuffs, colours and colouring matters imported for use as such, and organic intermediate products imported for their manufacture), analytical re-agents, all other fine chemicals and manufactured by fermentation processes;

including any articles comprised in any list which may from time to time be issued by the Board of Trade for defining the articles which are to be taken as falling under any of the general descriptions set out above.

Safeguarding of Industries.

Motion made, and Question proposed, That there shall be charged on any of the following articles imported into Great Britain or Ireland, in addition to any other duties of customs chargeable thereon, a customs duty of an amount equal to 33½ per cent. of the value of the article, that is to say—

Articles of any class or description in respect of which an Order by the Board of Trade has been made under any Act of the present Session for giving effect to this Resolution, if manufactured in whole or in part in any of the countries specified in the Order, or deemed to be so manufactured.

Any such Order as aforesaid may be made on the ground that articles of the class or description in question are being sold or offered for sale in the United Kingdom—

(a) At prices below the cost of production thereof; or

(b) At prices which by reason of depreciation in the value in relation to sterling of the currency of the country in which the goods are manufactured, are below the prices at which similar goods can be profitably manufactured in the United Kingdom;

and that by reason thereof employment in any industry in the United Kingdom is being or is likely to be seriously affected.

For the purposes of this Resolution "cost of production" in relation to goods of any class or description means the current sterling equivalent of—

(a) The wholesale price at the works charged for goods of the class or description for consumption in the country of manufacture; or

(b) If no such goods are sold for consumption in that country, the price which, having regard to the prices charged for goods as near as may be similar when so sold or when sold for exportation to other countries, would be so charged if the goods were sold in that country."—(Mr. Baldwin.)

Amendment proposed, in l. 1, after the word "articles," to insert the words "not being food, raw materials, or semi-manufactured articles."—(Mr. Lyle-Samuels.)

Question proposed, That those words be there inserted.

And it being a quarter past Eight of the clock, further Proceeding was postponed without Question put, pursuant to Standing Order No. 4.

A Motion was made, and the Question being Old Age proposed, That, in the opinion of this House, the recommendation of the departmental committee on old age pensions in favour of the repeal of the provisions in the Old Age Pensions Acts as to calculation of means should be adopted and the Old Age Pensions Acts amended accordingly, thereby enabling applicants for and recipients of the old age pension to derive the full benefit of their thrift and personal provision for old age and to receive assistance from friends, employers, and organisations without reduction of or disqualification for the full pension—(Mr. Arthur Henderson); and the words "this House, while sympathetic with the hardships of many old age pensioners, nevertheless, in view of the stringent condition of the national finances and the urgent need for strict economy, is of opinion that the present time is inopportune for adding to the burdens already borne by the taxpayers of the Country,"—(Colonel Hurst)—instead thereof.

And the Question being proposed, That the words proposed to be left out stand part of the Question—And a Debate arising thereupon;
Mr. Arthur Henderson rose in his place and claimed to move, That the Question be now put.

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

The House divided.

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

Tellers for the [Mr. George Thorne: 116.]

Tellers for the [Sir Frederick Banbury: 64.]

So it was resolved in the Affirmative.

And the Question being accordingly put, That the words proposed to be left out stand part of the Question;

The House divided.

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

Tellers for the [Mr. George Thorne: 123.]

Tellers for the [Colonel Leslie Wilson: 135.]

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.

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time upon Tuesday the 24th day of this instant May.

The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Capital Punishment (Limitations) Bill;

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time upon Tuesday the 24th day of this instant May.

The Order of the day being read, for the Sex Disqualification (Removal) Act (1919) Amendment Bill;

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time upon the 24th day of this instant May.

The Order of the day being read, for the Prevention of Unemployment Bill;

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time upon the 24th day of this instant May.

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

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

Postponed Proceeding on Amendment to Ways and Means.

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time upon Tuesday the 24th day of this instant May.

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time upon Tuesday the 24th day of this instant May.

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time upon Wednesday the 25th day of this instant May.

The Order of the day being read, for the Capital Punishment (Limitations) Bill;

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time upon the 24th day of this instant May.

The Order of the day being read, for the Sex Disqualification (Removal) Act (1919) Amendment Bill;

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time upon the 24th day of this instant May.

The Order of the day being read, for the Prevention of Unemployment Bill;

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time upon the 24th day of this instant May.

The Order of the day being read, for resuming Local Authorities (Payment of Expenses) Bill;

Ordered, That the Debate be further adjourned till Wednesday the 25th day of this instant May.

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

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

Postponed Proceeding on Amendment to Ways and Means.

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time upon Wednesday the 25th day of this instant May.

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time upon Tuesday the 24th day of this instant May.

The Order of the day being read, for the Sex Disqualification (Removal) Act (1919) Amendment Bill;

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time upon the 24th day of this instant May.

The Order of the day being read, for the Prevention of Unemployment Bill;

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time upon the 24th day of this instant May.

The Order of the day being read, for resuming Local Authorities (Payment of Expenses) Bill;

Ordered, That the Debate be resumed.

The Order of the day being read, for the Capital Punishment (Limitations) Bill;

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time upon Tuesday the 24th day of this instant May.

The Order of the day being read, for the Sex Disqualification (Removal) Act (1919) Amendment Bill;

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time upon the 24th day of this instant May.

The Order of the day being read, for the Prevention of Unemployment Bill;

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time upon the 24th day of this instant May.

The Order of the day being read, for resuming Local Authorities (Payment of Expenses) Bill;

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The Order of the day being read, for the Prevention of Unemployment Bill;

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time upon the 24th day of this instant May.

The Order of the day being read, for resuming Local Authorities (Payment of Expenses) Bill;

Ordered, That the Debate be resumed.
Another Amendment proposed, in l. 4, to leave out from the word "which," to the word "under," in l. 5, in order to insert the words "a Resolution has been passed by the House of Commons."—(Major Mackenzie Wood.)

Question proposed, That the words proposed to be left out stand part of the Question:— Debate arising:

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

The Committee divided.

Tellers for the (Colonel Leslie Wilson, Yeas, Mr. McCurdy: 128.

Tellers for the (Major Mackenzie Wood, Noes, Major Barnes: 36.

Another Amendment proposed, in l. 11, to leave out paragraph (b).—(Mr. Kiley.)

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

The Committee divided.

Tellers for the (Colonel Leslie Wilson, Yeas, Mr. McCurdy: 121.

Tellers for the (Major Mackenzie Wood, Noes, Major Barnes: 43.

Main Question again proposed:— Debate arising;

Mr. Austen Chamberlain rose in his place and claimed to move, That the Question be now put.

Question put, That the Question be now put. Question put accordingly, That those words be there inserted:—Debate arising:

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

The Committee divided.

Tellers for the (Colonel Leslie Wilson, Yeas, Mr. McCurdy: 156.

Tellers for the (Major Barnes, Noes, Mr. Kyle Samuel: 41.

Question put accordingly, That those words be there inserted.

The Committee divided.

Tellers for the (Mr. Hogge, Yeas, Mr. Neil Maclean: 49.

Tellers for the (Mr. McCurdy, Noes, Colonel Leslie Wilson: 146.

Another Amendment proposed, in l. 2, after the word "Ireland," to insert the words "not being articles manufactured in other parts of the British Empire."—(Mr. Trevelyan Thomson.)

Question proposed, That those words be there inserted:—Debate arising:

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

The Committee divided.

Tellers for the (Colonel Leslie Wilson, Yeas, Mr. McCurdy: 142.

Tellers for the (Mr. Neilloud, Noes, Mr. Trevelyan Thomson: 37.

Question put accordingly, That those words be there inserted.

The Committee divided.

Tellers for the (Sir William Barton, Yeas, Major Mackenzie Wood: 40.

Tellers for the (Mr. McCurdy, Noes, Colonel Leslie Wilson: 138.

Another Amendment proposed, in l. 2, to leave out the words "in addition to any other duties of customs chargeable thereon."—(Major Mackenzie Wood.)

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

The Committee divided.

Tellers for the (Mr. McCurdy, Yeas, Colonel Leslie Wilson: 129.

Tellers for the (Mr. Hogge, Noes, Mr. George Thorne: 41.

For the purposes of this Resolution, "cost of production" in relation to goods of any class or description means the current sterling equivalent of—

(a) The wholesale price at the works charged for goods of the class or description for consumption in the country of manufacture; or

(b) If no such goods are sold for consumption in that country, the price which, having regard to the prices charged for goods as near as may be similar when so sold or when sold for exportation to other countries, would be so charged if the goods were sold in that country, resumed.

Question again proposed, That those words be there inserted:—Debate arising:

Thursday, 12th May 1921:

Mr. Baldwin rose in his place and claimed to move, That the Question be now put. The Committee divided.

Tellers for the (Colonel Leslie Wilson, Yeas, Mr. McCurdy: 156.

Tellers for the (Major Barnes, Noes, Mr. Kyle Samuel: 41.

Question put accordingly, That those words be there inserted.

The Committee divided.

Tellers for the (Mr. Hogge, Yeas, Mr. Neil Maclean: 49.

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

The Committee divided.

Tellers for the (Colonel Leslie Wilson, Yeas, Mr. McCurdy: 128.

Tellers for the (Major Mackenzie Wood, Noes, Major Barnes: 36.

Another Amendment proposed, in l. 11, to leave out paragraph (b).—(Mr. Kiley.)

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

The Committee divided.

Tellers for the (Colonel Leslie Wilson, Yeas, Mr. McCurdy: 121.

Tellers for the (Major Mackenzie Wood, Noes, Major Barnes: 43.

Main Question again proposed:— Debate arising;

Mr. Austen Chamberlain rose in his place and claimed to move, That the Question be now put.

Question put, That the Question be now put. Question put accordingly, That those words be there inserted.

The Committee divided.

Tellers for the (Colonel Leslie Wilson, Yeas, Mr. McCurdy: 156.

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

The Committee divided.

Tellers for the (Mr. McCurdy, Yeas, Colonel Leslie Wilson: 129.

Tellers for the (Mr. Hogge, Noes, Mr. George Thorne: 41.

Resolved, That there shall be charged on any of the following articles imported into Great Britain or Ireland, in addition to any other duties of customs chargeable thereon, a customs duty of an amount equal to 38½ per cent. of the value of the article, that is to say:—

Articles of any class or description in respect of which an order by the Board of Trade has been made under any Act of the present Session for giving effect to this Resolution, if manufactured in whole or in part in any of the countries specified in the Order, or deemed to be so manufactured.

Any such Order as aforesaid may be made on the ground that articles of the class or description in question are being sold or offered for sale in the United Kingdom—

(a) At prices below the cost of production thereof; or
At prices which, by reason of depreciation in the value in relation to sterling of the currency of the country in which the goods are manufactured, are below the prices at which similar goods can be profitably manufactured in the United Kingdom;

and that by reason thereof employment in any industry in the United Kingdom is being or is likely to be seriously affected.

For the purpose of this Resolution, “cost of production” in relation to goods of any class or description means the current sterling equivalent of—

(a) The wholesale price at the works charged for goods of the class or description for consumption in the country of manufacture; or

(b) If no such goods are sold for consumption in that country, the price which, having regard to the prices charged for goods as near as may be similar when so sold or when sold for exportation to other countries, would be so charged if the goods were sold in that country.

Resolutions to be reported.

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

Ordered, That the Report be received this day.

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

Resolved, That this House will, this day, again resolve itself into the said Committee.

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

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time this day.

The Dentists Bill was, according to Order, read a second time; and committed to a Standing Committee.

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

Resolved, That this House will, this day, 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 19th day of April last;

Ordered, That the Report be received this day.

The Order of the day being read, for resuming the adjourned Debate on the Amendment which, upon the 3rd day of this instant May, was proposed to be made to the Eleventh of the Resolutions, which upon the 2nd day of this instant May were reported from the Committee of Supply of the 21st day of April last;

Ordered, That the Debate be further adjourned till this day.

The Order of the day being read, for taking into consideration the Twelfth of the Resolutions which, upon the 2nd day of this instant May, were reported from the Committee of Supply of the 21st day of April last;

Ordered, That the said Resolution be taken into consideration this day.

The Order of the day being read, for resuming the adjourned Debate on the Question proposed upon the 2nd day of this instant May, That this House doth agree with the Committee in the Third of the Resolutions which were then reported from the Committee of Supply of the 21st day of April last;

Ordered, That the Debate be further adjourned till this day.

Resolved, That the Scottish Board of Health (Scotland) Act, Transfer of Powers of Health Act, from Secretary for Scotland) Order, 1921, presented the 21st day of February last, be approved.—(Colonel Sir John Gilmore.)

And it being after half-past Eleven of the Adjourned clock on Wednesday evening, Mr. Speaker adjourned the House without Question put, pursuant to the Standing Order, it being then seventeen minutes before Five of the clock on Thursday morning, till this day.

STANDING COMMITTEES.

Distribution by Mr. Speaker, pursuant to Standing Order No. 47, of Bills committed to a Standing Committee.

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Thursday, 12th May 1921.

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

Prayer

Mr. Speaker laid upon the Table,—Report on Order 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.:

Ministry of Health Provisional Orders (Water) 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 Order Bills, That in the case of the following Bill referred on the First Reading thereof, no Standing Orders are applicable, viz.:

Marriages Provisional Order Bill.

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time to-morrow.
Bristol Water Bill [Lords.]

The Bristol Water 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.

East Surrey Water Bill.

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

Sutton District Waterworks Bill.

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

Westgate and Birchington Water Bill.

The Westgate and Birchington Water Bill was read the third time and passed.

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

Dundee Gas Order Confirmation Bill [Lords] was, according to Order, read the third time and passed.

Ordered, That the Clerk do carry the Bill to the Lords; and acquaint them that this House hath agreed to the same, without Amendment.

Pilotage Provisional Order (No. 1) Bill, Bill 112.

Sir William Mitchell-Thomson presented a Bill to confirm certain Pilotage Orders made by the Board of Trade under the Pilotage Act, 1913, relating to the Pilotage Districts of Ballina, Limmerick, Tralee and Foirt, and Westport: 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.

Hamilton Water and Gas Provisional Order Bill, Bill 113.

Mr. Munro presented a Bill to confirm a Provisional Order under the Burgah Police (Scotland) Act, 1892, relating to Hamilton Water and 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.

Disease of Animals Acts.

Sir Arthur Griffith-Boscawen presented, pursuant to the directions of an Act of Parliament,—Copy of Order under the Diseases of Animals Acts, dated 5th May 1921, entitled the Manchester (Landing of Animals) Order of 1921 (No. 2).

Ordered, That the Bill was read the first time; and be printed.

Mr. Hilton Young presented, by His Majesty’s Command,—Estimate of a further sum required to be voted for the Civil Services for the year ending 31st March 1922.

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

The Lord Advocate presented, pursuant to the directions of an Act of Parliament,—Copy of University Court Ordinance, No. 103 (Glasgow, No. 27) (Foundation of the James Watt Chairs in the Department of Engineering), under the Universities (Scotland) Act, 1889.

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

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Mr. Macpherson presented, pursuant to the War Pensions directions of an Act of Parliament,—Copy of Administrative Provisions) Act, 1918, entitled the War Pensions Committees No. 112. (Expenses of Members) Regulations, 1921.

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

Resolved, That an humble Address be presented to His Majesty, that He will be graciously pleased to give directions that there be laid before this House a Return of the net Income and Expenditure of British India, under certain specified heads, for the three years from 1917-18 to 1918-19 (in continuation of Paper, No. 184, of Session 1920).—(Mr. Secretary Montagu.)

Ordered, That the Amendments made by the public health Lords to the Public Health (Tuberculosis) Bill [Lords.] be taken into consideration this day; and be Bill 111.

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 Mr. Speaker’s Retirement Bill, without any Amendment.

The Lords have agreed to the Amendments made by this House to the Bristol Water Bill [Lords.], without any Amendment.

The Lords have passed a Bill, intituled An Act to confer powers on the Lymington Rural District Council with reference to the borrowing of money, and for other purposes; to which the Lords desire the concurrence of this House.

The Lords have passed a Bill, intituled An Act to extend the powers of the County of London Electric Supply Company, Limited, with reference to the user of certain lands and the payment of interest out of capital, and for other purposes; to which the Lords desire the concurrence of this House.

The Lymington Rural District Council Bill Lymington Rural District Council [Lords.] was read the first time.

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

The County of London Electric Supply Company Bill [Lords.] was read the first time; and be printed.

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

Mr. Gardner reported from the Local Legislation Committee (Section B); That in the case of the Wigan Corporation Bill they had examined the allegations contained in the Preamble of the Bill, and amended the same so as to make it consistent with the provisions of the Bill as passed by the Committee, and found the same, as amended, to be true; and had gone through the Bill and made Amendments thereunto; and had amended the title, as followeth:—A Bill to empower the Mayor, Aldermen and Burgesses of the Borough of Wigan to construct tramways and a public slaughter-house, to provide and work omnibuses and to acquire lands for street improvements, to make further provision in regard to the gas, water, electricity, markets, baths and other undertakings of the Corporation and the health local government and improvement of the borough, to confer powers upon the Corporation in regard to
12th May, 1921.

A Message was delivered by Lieutenant-General Sir William Pulteney, K.C.B., K.C.M.G., D.S.O., 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. Mr. Speaker's Retiremen Act, 1921.
4. Forth Conservancy Order Confirmation Act, 1921.
5. Pilotage Orders Confirmation (No. 1) Act, 1921.

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

(In the Committee.)

Question again proposed, That a sum not exceeding £15,245,098 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 1922 for the Salaries and Expenses of the Ministry of Health; including Grants and other Expenses in connection with Housing, Grants to Local Authorities, &c., sundry Contributions and Grants in respect of Benefits and Expenses of Administration under the National Health Insurance Acts, 1911 to 1920, certain Grants in Aid, and certain Special Services arising out of the War.

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 a Report from the Committee of Supply of [19th April] the 19th day of April last;
Ordered, That the Report be received upon Tuesday the 24th day of this instant May.

The Order of the day being read, for resuming the adjourned Debate on the Amendment which, upon the 3rd day of this instant May, was proposed to be made to the Eleventh of the Resolutions which, upon the 2nd day of this instant May, were reported from the Committee of Supply of the 21st day of April last;

Ordered, That the Debate be further adjourned till Tuesday the 24th day of this instant May.

The Order of the day being read, for taking into consideration the Twelfth of the Resolutions which, upon the 2nd day of this instant May, were reported from the Committee of Supply of the 21st day of April last;

Ordered, That the said Resolution be taken into consideration upon Tuesday the 24th day of this instant May.

The Order of the day being read, for resuming the adjourned Debate on the Question proposed upon the 11th day of April last, That this House do agree with the Committee in the said Committee.

Ordered, That the Debate be further adjourned till Tuesday the 24th day of this instant May.

The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the National Insurance (Forces of the Crown) Bill;

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time upon Tuesday the 24th day of this instant May.

The Order of the day being read, for the Adjourned Debate on the House of Commons and Municipal Corporations (Qualification of Clergymen) Bill;

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time upon Tuesday the 24th day of this instant May.

The Order of the day being read, for resuming the adjourned Debate on the Question proposed upon the 11th day of April last, That an humble Address be presented to His Majesty, thanking His Majesty for His Most Gracious Message communicating to this House His Majesty's intentions with respect to the Reserve Forces;

Ordered, That the Debate be further adjourned till Tuesday the 24th day of this instant May.

The Order of the day being read, for taking into consideration the Housing Bill, as amended in the Standing Committee;

Ordered, That the Bill be taken into consideration upon Tuesday the 24th day of this instant May;

The Order of the day being read, for the Railways Bill;

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time upon Tuesday the 24th day of this instant May.

The Order of the day being read, for receiving the Report from the Committee of Ways and Means of the 11th day of this instant May;

Ordered, That the Report be received upon Tuesday the 24th day of this instant May.

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

Ordered, That the said Order be discharged.

Ordered, That the Bill be withdrawn.

Ordered, That the Order be for resuming the Adjourned Debate on the Question proposed upon the 2nd day of this instant May, That the Jurors' Expenses Bill be now read a second time;

Ordered, That the Debate be further adjourned till Tuesday the 24th day of this instant May.

The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Increase of Rent (Restrictions) Bill;

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time upon Wednesday the 25th day of this instant May.

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

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time upon Wednesday the 25th day of this instant May.

The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Merchant Shipping (Transfer of Shipping (No. 2) Bill);

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time upon Wednesday the 25th day of this instant May.

The Order of the day being read, for the Ministry of Transport (Transfer of Railways) Bill;

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time upon Wednesday the 25th day of this instant May.

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

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time upon Wednesday the 25th day of this instant May.

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Sir Alfred Mond presented a Bill to confirm certain Provisional Orders of the Minister of Health relating to Cardiff: 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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Mr. Secretary Shortt presented, by His Majesty's Command, — Copy of Second Report of the Royal Commission on the Sugar Supply.

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

Mr. Hilton Young presented, pursuant to the friendly dispositions of several Acts of Parliament,—Copy of Provisional Orders of Provisional Regulations, dated 30th April 1921, made by the Treasury under the Industrial and Provident Societies Act, 1896, the Friendly Societies Act, 1896, and the Collecting Societies and Industrial Assurance Companies Act, 1896.

Copy of Treasury Minute, dated 10th May 1921, under the Superannuation Act, 1884, 3rd & 4th, in respect of pensions paid to members of the War Office and the Foreign Office, and the Treasury appointed without a Civil Service Certificate through inadvertence on the part of the Head of his Department.

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

Mr. Baldwin presented, by His Majesty's Command,—Copy of Draft of a Special Order proposed to be made by the Board of Trade under Section 10 of the Gas Regulation Act, 1920, on the application of the Oswestry Corporation.

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

Mr. Cecil Harmsworth presented, by His Majesty's Command,—Copy of Convention (No. 1921) between the United Kingdom and Bolivia for the prevention of false indications of origin on goods, signed at La Paz, 5th April 1920.

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

Sir Samuel Roberts reported from the Committee of Selection; That they had discharged the following Member from the Standing Committee:

Ordered, That the Report do lie upon the Table.

Sir Samuel Roberts further reported from the Committee D:—That they had discharged the following Member from the Standing Committee:

Ordered, That the Report do lie upon the Table.

Mr. Secretary Shortt presented, by His Majesty's Command, — Copy of Second Report of the Royal Commission on the Sugar Supply.
Sir Harry Brittain, supported by Colonel Burn, Mr. Frederick Green, Mr. Henman, Lieutenant-Commander Kenworthy, Mr. Mac Veagh, Mr. Wallace, and Mr. Stephen Walsh, presented a Bill to provide for the further protection of Wild Birds in the United Kingdom: And the same was ordered to be read a second time upon Wednesday the 8th day of June next; and to be printed.

Adjournment of the House (Whitsuntide.) Resolved, That this House, at its rising this day, do adjourn till Tuesday the 24th day of this instant May.—(Colonel Leslie Wilson.)

A Motion was made, and the Question being proposed, That this House do now adjourn.—(Colonel Leslie Wilson.)

And it being Five of the clock, the Motion for the Adjournment of the House lapsed, without Question put.

Bastardy Bill. The Bastardy Bill was read a second time; and committed to a Standing Committee.

Supply (18th May) Report. The Order of the day being read, for receiving the Report from the Committee of Supply of the 12th day of this instant May; Ordered, That the Report be received upon Tuesday the 24th day of this instant May.

Supply. The Order of the day being read, for the Committee of Supply; Resolved, That this House will, upon Tuesday the 24th day of this instant May, resolve itself into the said Committee.

Whereupon Mr. Speaker adjourned the House without Question put, pursuant to Standing Order No. 3, it being then one minute after Five of the clock, till Tuesday the 24th day of this instant May, pursuant to the Resolution of the House of this day.

STANDING COMMITTEES.

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[No. 61.] Tuesday, 24th May 1921.

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

PRAYERS.

Mr. Speaker laid upon the Table.—Report from one of the Examiners of Petitions for Private Bills, That in the case of the following Bills, originating in the Lords, and referred on the First Reading thereof, the Standing Orders not previously inquired into, which are applicable thereto, have been complied with, viz.:—

Cattedown Wharves Bill [Lords].

Tending Hundred Water and Gas Bill [Lords].

Liverpool Corporation Bill [Lords].
Works executed other than General Repairs for the same period.

Copy of Licence granted to a Convict discharging her from Liverpool Convict Prison on condition that she enters a home.

Copy of Regulations, dated 20th May 1921, made under the Dangerous Drugs Act, 1920, for controlling and restricting the possession, sale, and distribution of raw opium.

Copy of Regulations, dated 20th May 1921, made under the Dangerous Drugs Act, 1920, for controlling the manufacture, sale, possession, and distribution of Morphone, Cocaine, Egonine, and Diamorphine (commonly known as Heroin), and their respective salts, and medicinal Opium, and preparations and substances containing not less than one-fifth per cent. of Morphone, or one-tenth per cent. of Cocaine, Egonine or Diamorphine.

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

Mr. Baldwin, presented, by His Majesty’s Command,—Copy of Report on Agricultural Implements and Machinery, prepared by a Sub-Committee appointed by the Standing Committee on the Investigation of Prices under the Profiteering Acts.

Copy of Report on a voluntary Scheme for Standard Clothing submitted by the Wool, Textile, and Clothing Trade of Great Britain, prepared by a Sub-Committee appointed by the Standing Committees on the Investigation of Prices and Trusts under the Profiteering Acts.

Mr. Baldwin also presented, pursuant to the directions of several Acts of Parliament,—Account of Receipts and Expenditure under the Seamen’s Fund Winding-up Act for 1920.

Copies of Reports on applications by the—Leyland Gas Company; Woking Water and Gas Company to the Board of Trade under the Public Utility Companies (Capital Issues) Act, 1920.

Copy of Report by the Board of Trade on their Proceedings and Business under the Weights and Measures Acts, during the years 1915-1920.

Ordered, That the said Papers do lie upon the Table; and that the Papers relative to Merchant Seamen’s Fund and Weights and Measures be printed.

The Lord Advocate presented, by His Majesty’s Command,—Copy of Thirty-first Annual Report of the Astronomer Royal for Scotland.

The Lord Advocate also presented, pursuant to the directions of an Act of Parliament,—Copy of Regulations, dated 4th May 1921, made by the Board of Agriculture for Scotland under the Corn Production Act, 1917, as to claims for payment under Part I. of the Act, and as to the form of Agricultural Returns.

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

Mr. Arthur Balfour, presented, pursuant to the directions of several Acts of Parliament,—Copy of Order in Council under the Foreign Jurisdiction Act, 1890, dated 9th November 1920, entitled the China (Amendment No. 2) Order in Council, 1920.

Copy of Statute made under the Universities of Oxford and Cambridge Act, 1877, by the Governing Body of Brasenose College, Oxford, on 19th January 1921, amending Statutes 3, 5, and 13 of the existing Statutes of the College.

Copy of Statutes made under the Universities of Oxford and Cambridge Act, 1877, by the Governing Body of Christ Church, Oxford, on 5th May and 10th November 1920, respectively, amending the existing Statutes of the House.

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

Sir Harmer Greenwood, presented, by His Agricultural Statutes of Ireland, with detailed Report, for the year 1917.

Copy of General Abstracts showing the Acreage under Crops and the Numbers and Descriptions of Live Stock in each County and Province in Ireland, 1916, 1919, and 1920.

Copy of Statistical Tables of the Dublin Metropolitan Police for the year 1919.

Sir Harmer Greenwood also presented, pursuant to the directions of an Act of Parliament,—Copy of Rules made by the General Nursing Council for Ireland under the Nurses Registration (Ireland) Act, 1919.

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

Sir Alfred Mond, presented, pursuant to the directions of several Acts of Parliament,—Copy of the National Health Insurance (Subsidiary Employment) Order, 1921, dated 15th May 1921, made by the National Health Insurance Joint Committee, the Minister of Health, and the Scottish Board of Health, acting jointly.

Copy of the National Health Insurance (Additional Benefits) Regulations, 1921, dated 17th May 1921, made by the National Health Insurance Joint Committee.

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

Mr. Bridgeman, presented, pursuant to the Mines and Directions of an Act of Parliament,—Copy of the National Health Insurance (Joint Committee) General Report, with Statistics, for 1920, by His Majesty’s Chief Inspector of Mines. Part I. Divisional Statistics.

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

Sir Arthur Griffiths-Boscawen, presented, pursuant to the directions of an Act of Parliament,—Copy of Order under the Destructive Insects and Pests Acts, dated 12th May 1921, entitled the Wart Disease of Potatoes (Imported Irish Seed Potatoes) Order of 1921.

Ordered, That the said Paper do lie upon the Table.

Mr. Kellaway, presented, by His Majesty’s Post Office Command,—Copy of Statement showing the proposed increases in certain Postal Charges.

Ordered, That the said Paper do lie upon the Table.

Mr. Hilton Young, presented, by His Majesty’s Expenditure Command,—Copy of Memorandum on the pre-War Expenditure, with particulars of Government Staffs at certain dates.
Copy of Treasury Circular, dated 13th May 1921, relative to securing a large reduction in the Estimates for the financial year 1922-23.

Ordered, That the said Papers do lie upon the Table.

Mr. Secretary Montagu presented, by His Majesty’s Command,—Copy of Report by Sir Benjamin Robertson, dated 4th August 1920, regarding the proposed Settlement of Indian Agriculturists in Tanganyika Territory, and Letter from the Government of India to the Secretary of State for India, dated 10th February 1921.

Copy of Correspondence regarding the position of Indians in East Africa (Kenya and Uganda).

Mr. Secretary Montagu also presented,—Return to a Motion made, and Question proposed, That Item B be reduced by £10,000—(Lieutenant-Coolan Commander Kenworthy).—Motion, by leave, withdrawn.

Original Question put, and agreed to.

2. £7,821,000 for Victoria and Clothing for the Navy, including the cost of victualling Establishments at Home and Abroad.

3. £720,500 for Medical Services, including the cost of Medical Establishments at Home and Abroad.

4. £389,000 for Civilians employed on Fleet Services.

5. £465,500 for Educational Services.

6. £449,000 for Scientific Services.

7. £580,600 for the Royal Naval Reserve, the Royal Fleet Reserve, and the Royal Naval Volunteer Reserve, &c.

8. £2,725,000 for various Miscellaneous Effective Services.

9. £2,093,500 for Half Pay and Retired Pay.

10. £4,003,500 for Naval and Marine Pensions, Gratuities, and Compassionate Allowances.

11. £816,700 for Civil Superannuation, Compensation Allowances, and Gratuities.

Resolutions to be reported.

Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair; and the Chairman of Ways and Means reported, that the Committee had come to several Resolutions.

Ordered, That the Report be received to-morrow.

The Chairman of Ways and Means also acquainted the House that he was directed to move, that the Committee may have leave to sit again.

Resolved, That this House will, to-morrow, again resolve itself into the said Committee.

The Order of the day being read, for receiving supply the Report from the Committee of Supply of [19th April] the 19th day of April last; ordered, That the Report be received to-morrow.

The Order of the day being read, for receiving supply the Report from the Committee of Supply of [18th May] the 12th day of this instant May; ordered, That the Report be received to-morrow.

The Order of the day being read, for resuming the adjourned Debate on the Amendment which, upon the 3rd day of this instant May, was proposed to be made to the Eleventh of the Resolutions which, upon the 2nd day of this instant May, were reported from the Committee of Supply of the 31st day of April last; ordered, That the Debate be further adjourned till to-morrow.

The Order of the day being read, for taking supply into consideration the Twelfth of the Resolutions which, upon the 2nd day of this instant
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May, were reported from the Committee of Supply of the 21st day of April last:

Ordered, That the said Resolution be taken into consideration to-morrow.

The Order of the day being read, for resuming the adjourned Debate on the Question proposed upon the 2nd day of this instant May, That this House doth agree with the Committee in the Third of the Resolutions which were then reported from the Committee of Supply of the 21st day of April last:

Ordered, That the Debate be further adjourned till 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 taking into consideration His Majesty's Message of the 2nd day of this instant May relative to the Emergency Powers Act, 1920;

Ordered, That the said Message be taken into consideration upon Monday next.

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 Church of Scotland Bill;

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time upon Monday next.

The Order of the day being read, for resuming the adjourned Debate on the Question proposed upon the 11th day of this instant May, That an humble Address be presented to His Majesty thanking His Majesty for His Most Gracious Message communicating to this House His Majesty's intentions with respect to the Reserve Forces;

Ordered, That the Debate be further adjourned till Monday next.

The Order of the day being read, for taking into consideration the Housing Bill, as amended in the Standing Committee;

Ordered, That the Bill be taken into consideration to-morrow.

The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Railways 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 Ways and Means of the 11th day of this instant May;

Ordered, That the Report be received to-morrow.

The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Electricity (Supply) Bill;

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time upon Monday next.

Resolved, That this House do now adjourn. Adjournment.

—(Colonel Leslie Wilson.)

And accordingly the House, having continued to sit till twenty-five minutes before Eight of the clock, adjourned till to-morrow.

STANDING COMMITTEES.

Distribution by Mr. Speaker, pursuant to Standing Order No. 47, of Bills committed to a Standing Committee.

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[No. 62.]

Wednesday, 25th May 1921.

The House met at a quarter of an hour before Three of the clock.

Ordered, That the Limerick Markets Bill be read the third time to-morrow.

The Radcliffe and Little Lever Joint Gas Bill was read the third time and passed.

Ordered, That the Clerk do carry the Bill to the Lords, and desire their concurrence.

Ordered, That the British Dye Stuffs Corporation (Railways Transfer) Bill, as amended in the Committee, be taken into consideration to-morrow.

Ordered, That the Wrexham and East Denbighshire Water Bill was, according to Order, read a second time, and committed.

Ordered, That the Second Reading of the London County Council (Money) Bill;

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time upon Monday next.

The Pilotage Provisional Orders (No. 3) Bill was, according to Order, read a second time, and committed.

Ordered, That Mr. Speaker do issue his Lancaster County Warrant to the Clerk of the Crown, to make out a new Writ for the election of a Member of Parliament to serve in this present Parliament for the County of Lancaster (Heywood and Radcliffe Division) in the room of the Right Honourable Albert Holden Illingworth, 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. McCurdy.)

Ordered, That Mr. Speaker do issue his Westminster Borough (Saint George's Division) Warrant to the Clerk of the Crown, to make out a new Writ for the election of a Member of Parliament to serve in this present Parliament for the Borough of Westminster, Saint George's Divi-
The Order of the day being read, for the Finance Bill; Second Reading of the Finance Bill;
And a Motion being made, and the Question being proposed, That the Bill be now read a second time;
An Amendment was proposed to be made to the Question, by leaving out from the word "That" to the end of the Question, and adding the words "this House, whilst willing to grant to His Majesty all moneys imperative for the public service, expresses its profound regret that in the third year after the great war, allowing for depreciation in money values and for the provision of the war pensions and interest upon war loans, the Country should be taxed to double the extent of that of the pre-war period, and calls upon the Government in the current financial year to exercise the most rigid economy consistent with efficiency with a view to relieving the taxpayers of some of the heavy burdens at present imposed upon them,"—(Mr. Bottomley), 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. Dudley Ward, Colonel Sir John Gilmour: 213.
Tellers for the Noes, Mr. Bottomley, Major Christopher Latham: 46.
So it was resolved in the Affirmative.
The Bill was read a second time, and committed to a Committee of the whole House for to-morrow.
The Order of the day being read, for taking Housing Bill, into consideration the Housing Bill, as amended in the Standing Committee;
Ordered, That the Bill be taken into consideration to-morrow.
The Order of the day being read, for the Railways Bill; Second Reading of the Railways Bill;
Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time to-morrow.
Secretary Sir Laming Worthington-Evans Supply
reported from the Committee of Supply of the 16th April last several Resolutions; which were read, as follow:
Civil Services and Revenue Departments Estimates, 1921-22.

Class II.
1. That a sum not exceeding £1,711,605 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 1922 for the Salaries and Expenses of the Ministry of Agriculture and Fisheries, including Grants for Agricultural Education and Training, a Grant in Aid of the Small Holdings Account, and certain other Grants in Aid of: of the Agricultural Wages Board, and of the Royal Botanic Gardens, Kew.

Class I.
2. That a sum not exceeding £178,146 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 1922 for the Survey...
21st May, 1921.

4. That a sum not exceeding £389,000 be granted to His Majesty, to defray the Expense of Civilians employed on Fleet Services.

5. That a sum not exceeding £465,500 be Educational Services.

6. That a sum not exceeding £449,000 be Educational Services.

7. That a sum not exceeding £580,000 be granted to His Majesty, to defray the Expenses of the Royal Naval Reserve, the Royal Fleet Reserve, and the Royal Naval Volunteer Reserve, &c., which will come in course of payment during the year ending on the 31st day of March 1922.

An Amendment was proposed to be made to the Resolution, by leaving out "£178,546," and inserting "£163,546," — (Lieutenant-Commander Kenworthy), instead thereof.

And the Question being proposed, That "£178,546" stand part of the Resolution;—

The First Resolution being read a second time;—

The Yeas to the Right;—

Mr. Dudley Ward, 141.

Tellers for the Colonel Sir John Gladstone, — (Lieutenant-Commander Kenworthy), instead thereof.

And the Question being proposed, That "£178,546" stand part of the Resolution;—

The Yeas to the Right;—

Mr. George Thorne, 73.

Tellers for the Colonel Sir John Gladstone, — (Lieutenant-Commander Kenworthy), instead thereof.

And the Resolution was agreed to.

Colonel Sir John Gladstone reported from the Committee of Supply of the 24th day of this instant May several Resolutions; which were read, as follow:

Navy Estimates, 1921-22.

1. That a sum not exceeding £5,836,600 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 1922.

2. That a sum not exceeding £7,821,000 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 31st day of March 1922.

3. That a sum not exceeding £720,000 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 1922.

4. That a sum not exceeding £5,836,600 be granted to His Majesty, to defray the Expense of Civilian employed on Fleet Services.

5. That a sum not exceeding £465,500 be Educational Services.

6. That a sum not exceeding £449,000 be Educational Services.

7. That a sum not exceeding £580,000 be granted to His Majesty, to defray the Expenses of the Royal Naval Reserve, the Royal Fleet Reserve, and the Royal Naval Volunteer Reserve, &c., which will come in course of payment during the year ending on the 31st day of March 1922.

8. That a sum not exceeding £5,725,000 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 1922.

9. That a sum not exceeding £2,063,000 be granted to His Majesty, to defray the Expense of Half Pay and Retired Pay which will come in course of payment during the year ending on the 31st day of March 1922.

10. That a sum not exceeding £4,003,500 be granted to His Majesty, to defray the Expense of Naval and Marine Pensions, Gratuities, and Compensations Allowances which will come in course of payment during the year ending on the 31st day of March 1922.

11. That a sum not exceeding £816,700 be Civil Superannuation, Compensation Allowances, and Gratuities which will come in course of payment during the year ending on the 31st day of March 1922.

The First Resolution being read a second time;—

An Amendment was proposed to be made to the Resolution, by leaving out "£5,836,600," and inserting "£5,036,600," — (Lieutenant-Commander Kenworthy), instead thereof.

And the Question being proposed, That "£5,836,600" stand part of the Resolution;—

A Debate arising thereupon;—

And it being Eleven of the clock, the Debate stood adjourned.

Ordered, That the Debate be resumed tomorrow.

Ordered, That the Second and subsequent Resolutions be taken into consideration tomorrow.

The Order of the day being read, for receiving Supply the Report from the Committee of Supply of 14th May, the 12th day of this instant May;—

Ordered, That the Report be received tomorrow.

The Order of the day being read, for resuming the adjourned Debate on the Amendment which, upon the 3rd day of this instant May, was proposed to be made to the Eleventh of the Resolution which, upon the 2nd day of this instant May, were reported from the Committee of Supply of the 21st day of April last;

Ordered, That the Debate be further adjourned till to-morrow.
The Order of the day being read, for taking into consideration the Twelfth of the Resolutions which, upon the 2nd day of this instant May, were reported from the Committee of Supply of the 21st day of April last; Ordered, That the said Resolution be taken into consideration to-morrow.

The Order of the day being read, for resuming the adjourned Debate on the Question proposed upon the 2nd day of this instant May, That this House doth agree with the Committee in the Third of the Resolutions which were then reported from the Committee of Supply of the 21st day of April last; Ordered, That the Debate be further adjourned till 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 receiving the Report from the Committee of Ways and Means of the 11th day of this instant May; Ordered, That the Report be received to-morrow.

Ordered, That so much of the Lords' Message of the 11th day of this instant May as refers to Consolidation Bills be now taken into consideration.—(Colonel Gibbs.)

The House accordingly proceeded to take so much of 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, to consider all Consolidation Bills of the present Session.—(Colonel Gibbs.)

Ordered, That a Message be sent to the Lords to acquaint them therewith: And that the Clerk acquaint them therewith: And that the Clerk do carry the said Message.

The Committee was nominated of Major Birchall, Sir Thomas Bramson, Mr. Hartshorn, Mr. Herbert Lewis, and Mr. Rawlinson.

Ordered, That the Committee have power to send for persons, papers, and records.

Ordered, That Three be the quorum of the Committee.—(Colonel Gibbs.)

The Order of the day being read, for taking into consideration the Coroners (Remuneration) Bill, as amended in the Standing Committee; Ordered, That the Bill be taken into consideration upon Monday next.

The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Capital Punishment (Limitations) Bill; Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time upon Monday next.

The Order of the day being read, for resuming the adjourned Debate on the Question proposed upon the 6th day of this instant May, That the Local Authorities (Payment of Expenses) Bill be now read a second time; Vol. 176.
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, to-morrow, resolve itself into a Committee to consider of authorising the payment, out of moneys provided by Parliament, of grants under section one of the Housing (Additional Powers) Act, 1919, in respect of houses in Scotland completed within three years and six months or within two years and six months, as the case may be, of the passing of that Act, or such further period, not exceeding four months, as the Scottish Board of Health may, in any special case, allow, and of limiting the aggregate amount of such grants in respect of houses in Scotland—(Colonel Leslie Wilson);

Mr. Austen Chamberlain, by His Majesty's Command, acquainted the House that His Majesty, having been informed of the subject-matter of this Motion, recommends it to the consideration of the House.

Resolved, That this House will, to-morrow, resolve itself into the said Committee.

And then the House, having continued to sit till six minutes after Eleven of the clock, adjourned till to-morrow.

[No. 63.]

Thursday, 26th May 1921.

The House met at a quarter of an hour before Three of the clock.

PRAYERS.

Mr. Speaker laid upon the Table,—Report from one of the Examiners of Petitions for Private Bills, That in the case of the following Bill, referred on the First Reading thereof, no Standing Orders are applicable, viz.:

Local Government (Ireland) Provisional Orders 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.:

Pilotage Provisional Orders (No. 4) Bill.

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time to-morrow.

The House proceeded to take into consideration the Amendment made by the Lords to the Herts and Essex Water Bill: And the same was twice read, and agreed to.

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 British Dye Stuffs Corporation (Railways Transfer) Bill, as amended in the Committee.

Ordered, That the Bill be read the third time.

The Order of the day being read, for taking into consideration the Lochaber Water Power Bill, as amended in the Committee;

Ordered, That the Bill be taken into consideration upon Monday next.

The House, according to Order, proceeded to take into consideration the Amendment made by the Lords to the Pilotage Provisional Orders (No. 2) 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.

Sir Philip Lloyd-Greame presented, by His Majesty's Command,—Copy of Memorandum of Expenditure likely to be incurred under the Overseas Trade (Credits and Insurance) Amendment Bill.

Ordered, That the said Paper do lie upon the Table.

Sir Arthur Griffiths-Boscawen presented, by Order of His Majesty's Command,—Copy of Report of the Ministry of Agriculture and Fisheries on the Progress of the Ordnance Survey to 31st March 1921.

Ordered, That the said Paper do lie upon the Table.

Sir William Middlebrooks reported from the Local Legislation Committee (Section A) ; That in the case of the Preston Corporation Bill (Section A) ; That, Local Lords, they had examined the allegations contained in the Preamble of the Bill, and found the same to be true; and had gone through the Bill and made Amendments thereto.

Ordered, That the Report do lie upon the Table; and be printed.

Sir Harry Samuel reported from the Committee on Group D of Private Bills; That, for the convenience of parties, the Committee had adjourned till Tuesday next, at Eleven of the clock.

Ordered, That the Report do lie upon the Table.

Colonel Rolles reported from the Committee on Railway Bills on Group 1 of Railway Bills; That the parties promoting the Thames Deep-Water Wharf and Railways Bill had stated that the evidence of Mr. P. A. Heitland was essential to their case; and it having been proved that his attendance could not be procured without the intervention of the House, he had been instructed to move that the said Mr. P. A. Heitland do attend the said Committee to-morrow, at Two of the clock.
Ordered, That Mr. P. A. Heitland do attend the Committee on Group I of Railway Bills to-morrow, at two of the clock.

Mr. Gardner reported from the Local Legislation Committee (Section E); That in the case of the Nelson Corporation Bill [Lords], they had examined the allegations contained in the Preamble 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.

Sir Samuel Roberts reported from Standing Committee D, to whom the Public Health (Officers) (No. 2) Bill was referred; That they had gone through the Bill and made Amendments thereunto.

Ordered, That the Report do lie upon the Table; and be printed.

Ordered, That the Minutes of the Proceedings of the Standing Committee be printed.

Bill 121.

Ordered, That the Bill, as amended in the Standing Committee, be taken into consideration upon Wednesday next; and be printed.

Bill 122.

The Matrimonial Causes Bill [Lords] was read the first time, and ordered to be read a second time upon Tuesday next; and to be printed.

Business of the House (Supply.)

Ordered, That the Proceedings on the Second Reading of the Railways Bill have precedence this day of the Business of Supply.—[Mr. Austen Chamberlain.]

Railways Bill.

The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Railways 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 effect that the words "This House cannot assent to the Second Reading of a Bill which not only fails to provide for the public ownership and control of the railways, but would prejudice the future acquisition of the railways by the State on a fair and economic basis, which provides for the payment to the railway companies of a sum far in excess of the amount due to them in consequence of temporary State control, and which, repealing the statutory limitation imposed upon railway rates, vests in a non-elected body the arbitrary power of fixing those rates,"—(Mr. Clynes)—instead thereof.

And the Question being proposed, That the words proposed to be left out stand part of the Question—And a Debate arising thereupon;

And a Motion being made, and the Question being put, That the Debate be now adjourned—(Mr. Lambert)—It was resolved in the Affirmative.

Ordered, That the Debate be resumed upon Monday next.

Ordered, That the Bill be taken into consideration to-morrow.

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 resuming Supply the adjourned Debate on the Amendment which, [24th April] upon the 25th day of this instant May, was proposed to be made to the First of the Resolutions which were then reported from the Committee of Supply of the 24th day of this instant May;

Ordered, That the Debate be further adjourned till Monday next.

The Order of the day being read, for resuming Supply the adjourned Debate on the Amendment which, [24th April] upon the 25th day of this instant May, was proposed to be made to the Eleventh of the Resolutions which, upon the 2nd day of this instant May, were reported from the Committee of Supply of the 21st day of April last;

Ordered, That the Bill be further adjourned till Monday next.

The Order of the day being read, for resuming Supply the adjourned Debate on the Amendment which, [24th April] upon the 3rd day of this instant May, was proposed to be made to the Twelfth of the Resolutions which, upon the 2nd day of this instant May, were reported from the Committee of Supply of the 21st day of April last;

Ordered, That the Debate be further adjourned till Monday next.

The Order of the day being read, for resuming Supply the adjourned Debate on the Question proposed to Supply the 2nd day of this instant May, That this House doth agree with the Committee in the Third of the Resolutions which were then reported from the Committee of Supply of the 21st day of April last;

Ordered, That the Debate be further adjourned till Monday next.

The Order of the day being read, for the Ways and Means of the 11th day of this instant May;

Resolved, That this House will, upon Monday next, resolve itself into the said Committee.

The Order of the day being read, for receiving Supply the Report from the Committee of Ways and Means of the 11th day of this instant May;

Ordered, That the Report be received upon Monday next.

The Order of the day being read, for resuming Supply the adjourned Debate on the Question proposed to Supply upon the 2nd day of this instant May, That this House doth agree with the Committee in the Third of the Resolutions which were then reported from the Committee of Supply of the 21st day of April last;

Ordered, That the Debate be further adjourned till Monday next.

The Order of the day being read, for the Ways and Means of the 11th day of this instant May;

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 Overseas Trade [Credits and Insurances];

Resolved, That this House will, to-morrow, resolve itself into the said Committee.
The Order of the day being read, for the Committee on Finance [Consolidated Fund];

Resolved, That this House will, to-morrow, resolve itself into the said Committee.

The Order of the day being read, for the Committee on Housing (Scotland) [Grants];

Resolved, That this House will, to-morrow, resolve itself into the said Committee.

And then the House, having continued to sit till seven minutes after Eleven of the clock, adjourned till to-morrow.

[No. 64.]

Friday, 27th May 1921.

The House met at Twelve of the clock.

PRAYERS.

THE Local Government (Ireland) Provisional Orders Bill was, according to Order, read a second time, and committed.

The Pilotage Provisional Orders (No. 4) 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. Hilton Young presented, by His Majesty's Command,—Estimate of a further Sum required to be voted for the Civil Services for the year ending 31st March 1922.

Copy of Rules, dated 6th May 1921, made by the Lord Lieutenant-General and General Governor of Ireland with the consent of the Treasury, under Section 11 of the National School Teachers (Ireland) Act, 1879.

Ordered, That the said Estimate be referred to the Committee of Supply; and be printed, and ordered to lie upon the Table.

Sir Eric Geddes presented, pursuant to the directions of several Acts of Parliament,—Copy of the Heavy Motor Car (Amendment) Order, 1921, dated 15th May 1921, made under the Motor Car Acts.

Ordered, That the said Paper do lie upon the Table.

Sir Arthur Griffith-Boscawen presented, pursuant to the directions of several Acts of Parliament,—Copy of the Agricultural (Councils) Regulations, 1921, dated 14th April 1921, made by the Minister of Agriculture and Fisheries under Section 5 (1) of the Ministry of Agriculture and Fisheries Act, 1919.

Ordered, That the said Paper do lie upon the Table.

A Motion was made, and the Question being proposed, That, in the opinion of this House, the Conventions adopted at the International Labour Conference under the League of Nations should be submitted to Parliament as the competent authority—(Mr. George Barnes);

An Amendment was proposed to be made to the Question, in 1, 1, by leaving out from the word "House" to the end of the Question, and adding the words, "it is not expedient in existing circumstances to proceed with legislation to give effect to the Washington Convention on Hours of Labour,"—(Mr. Macnamara),—instead thereof.

And the Question being put, That the words proposed to be left out stand part of the Question:

The House divided.

The Yeas to the Right;

The Noes to the Left;

Tellers for the Mr. George Barnes;

Yea's, [Viscountess Astor] 69.

Tellers for the Colonel Leslie Wilson,


So it passed in the Negative.

And the Question being put, That the words "it is not expedient in existing circumstances to proceed with legislation to give effect to the Washington Convention on Hours of Labour," be added after the word "House" in the Main Question:—It was resolved in the Affirmative.

And the Question being proposed, That, in the opinion of this House, it is not expedient in existing circumstances to proceed with legislation to give effect to the Washington Convention on Hours of Labour:—And a Debate arising thereupon;

And it being Five of the clock, the Debate stood adjourned.

Ordered, That the Debate be resumed upon Monday next.

The Order of the day being read, for taking Housing Bill, into consideration the Housing Bill, as amended in the Standing Committee;

Ordered, That the Bill be taken into consideration upon Monday next.

The Order of the day being read, for the Overseas Trade Committee on Overseas Trade [Credits and Insurances];

Resolved, That this House will, upon Monday next, resolve itself into the said Committee.

The Order of the day being read, for the Finance Committee on Finance [Consolidated Fund];

Resolved, That this House will, upon Monday next, resolve itself into the said Committee.

The Order of the day being read, for the Standing Committee on Housing (Scotland) [Grants];

Resolved, That this House will, upon Monday next, resolve itself into the said Committee.

The Order of the day being read, for the Trade Union Second Reading of the Trade Union Bill;

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time upon Friday the 16th day of June next.

Whereupon Mr. Speaker adjourned the Adjournment. House without Question put, pursuant to Standing Order No. 3, it being then one minute after Five of the clock, till Monday next.
The House met at a quarter of an hour before Three of the clock.

PRAYERS.

British Dye Stuffs Corporation (Railways Transfer) Bill, ordered that the Clerk do carry the Bill to the Lords, and desire their concurrence.

Wrexham and East Denbighshire Water Bill, ordered that the Clerk do carry the Bill to the Lords, and desire their concurrence.

The Wrexham and East Denbighshire Water Bill was read the third time and passed.

Wigan Corporation Bill, ordered that the Bill be read the third time.

The Cheadle Wharfes Bill [Lords] was read a second time, and committed.

County of London Electric Supply Company Bill [Lords] was read a second time.

The Grimsby Corporation Bill [Lords] was read a second time, and committed.

The Lymington Rural District Council Bill [Lords] was read a second time, and committed.

The Tendering Hundred Water and Gas Bill [Lords] was read a second time, and committed.

The Order of the day being read, for taking into consideration the Lochaber Water Power Bill, as amended in the Committee; ordered that the Bill be taken into consideration upon Wednesday next.

Ordered, that the said Paper do lie upon the Table; and that the said Account be printed.

Ordered, that the said Paper do lie upon the Table.


Newark Gas Company;

Nuneaton Gas Company;

Queenstown Gas Company,
to the Board of Trade under the Public Utility Companies (Capital Issues) Act, 1920.

Ordered, that the said Paper do lie upon the Table.


Ordered, that the said Paper do lie upon the Table.

Mr. Hilton Young, presented by His Majesty's Command,—Copy of Treasury Minute, dated 17th May 1921, relative to the German Reparation (Recovery) Act, 1921.

Mr. Hilton Young also presented, pursuant to Sinking Funds, the directions of an Act of Parliament,—Account No. 122, 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 1921; also of the particular application thereof, pursuant to Section 7 of the Sinking Fund Act, 1875.

Ordered, that the said Papers do lie upon the Table; and that the said Account be printed.

Mr. Alfred Mond presented, pursuant to the directions of an Act of Parliament,—Copy of National Health Insurance Joint Committee (Requisitions to Insurance Committees: Persons over 70) Regulations, 1921.

Ordered, that the said Paper do lie upon the Table.


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Mr. Cecil Harmsworth presented, by His Majesty's Command,—Copy of Papers relating to the new Constitution of Malta.

Ordered, that the said Paper do lie upon the Table.
Railways Bill. Sir Eric Geddes presented, by His Majesty’s Command,—Copy of Memorandum on the Financial Resolution proposed to be moved by the Government in Committee of the whole House relative to the Railways Bill.

Ordered, That the said Paper do lie upon the Table.

Army Estimates. Revised Estimate for the Army, for 1921-22.

Ordered, That the said Estimate be referred to the Committee of Supply; and be printed.

Supreme Court [Rules].

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 Supreme Court Funds Rules, 1921, dated 27th May 1921.

Thames Deep-Water Wharf and Railways Bill. Colonel Bowles reported from the Committee on the Thames Deep-Water Wharf and Railways Bill; That they had examined the allegations contained in the Preamble of the Bill, but the same had not been proved to their satisfaction.

Ordered, That the Report do lie upon the Table; and be printed.

Southampton Corporation Water Bill. Colonel Jackson reported from the Committee on the Southampton Corporation Water Bill; That they had examined the allegations contained in the Preamble of the Bill, and amended the same so as to make it consistent with the provisions of the Bill as passed by the Committee, and found the same, as amended, to be true; and had gone through the Bill and made Amendments therunto.

Ordered, That the Report do lie upon the Table; and be printed.


Mr. Austen Chamberlain, at the Bar, acquainted the House that he had a Message from His Majesty to this House, signed by His Majesty’s own hand, and he presented the same to the House; and it was read by Mr. Speaker (all the Members of the House being uncovered), and it is as follows:

GEORGE R.I.
The continued cessation of work in coal mines on the 27th day of May 1921 having constituted, in the opinion of His Majesty, a state of emergency within the meaning of the Emergency Powers Act, 1920, His Majesty has deemed it proper, by proclamation made in pursuance of the said Act, and dated the 27th day of May 1921, to declare that a state of emergency exists.

Ordered, That His Majesty’s Most Gracious Message be taken into consideration to-morrow.—(Mr. Austen Chamberlain.)

New Member sworn.

Sir Malcolm Smith, Member for the County of Orkney and Zetland, was sworn.

Business of the House.

A Motion was made, and the Question being put, That the Proceedings on consideration of the Housing Bill, as amended, and of the Committee on Housing (Scotland) [Grants], Overseas Trade [Credits and Insurances], and Finance [Consolidated Fund] be exempted at this day’s Sitting from the provisions of the Standing Order (Sittings of the House) — (Mr. Austen Chamberlain);

The House divided.
The Yeas to the Right;
The Noes to the Left.

Tellers for the [Mr. McCurdy, 216.
Yea, (Colonel Leslie Wilson, 50.

Tellers for the [Mr. Wignall,
Noes, (Mr. Waterson ;

So it was resolved in the Affirmative.

The Order of the day being read, for Railways Bill, resuming the adjourned Debate on the Amendment which, upon the 26th day of this instant May, was proposed to be made to the Question, That the Railways Bill be now read a second time;

Which Amendment was, to leave out from the word “That” to the end of the Question, and add the words “this House cannot assent to the Second Reading of a Bill which not only fails to provide for the public ownership and control of the railways, but would prejudice the future acquisition of the railways by the State on a fair and economic basis, which provides for the payment to the railway companies of a sum far in excess of the amounts due to them in consequence of temporary State control, and which, repealing the statutory limitation imposed upon railway rates, vests in a non-elected body the arbitrary power of fixing those rates,”—instead thereof.

And the Question being again proposed, That the words proposed to be left out stand part of the Question—The House resumed the said adjourned Debate;

Mr. Austen Chamberlain rose in his place and claimed to move, That the Question be now put.

And the Question being put, That the Question be now put.—It was resolved in the Affirmative.

And the Question being accordingly put, That the words proposed to be left out stand part of the Question—The House resumed the said adjourned Debate;

The Yeas to the Right.
The Noes to the Left.

Tellers for the [Colonel Leslie Wilson, 259.
Yea, (Mr. Dudley Ward, 65.

Tellers for the [Mr. Arthur Henderson, 246.
Noes, (Mr. Neil Maclean ;

So it was resolved in the Affirmative.

The Bill was read a second time.

A Motion was made, and the Question being put, That the Bill be committed to a Committee of the whole House—(Mr. Clynes);

The House divided.
The Yeas to the Right;
The Noes to the Left.

Tellers for the [Colonel Leslie Wilson, 74.
Yea, (Mr. Neil Machein ;

Tellers for the [Mr. Arthur Henderson, 246.
Noes, (Mr. McCurdy ;

So it passed in the Negative.

The Bill was committed to a Standing Committee.

The House, according to Order, proceeded to Housing Bill, take into consideration the Housing Bill, as amended in the Standing Committee.

And Amendments were made to the Bill.

Ordered, That the Bill be now read the third time.—The Bill was accordingly read the third time and passed.
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 Housing (Scotland) [Grants].

(In the Committee.) Motion made, and Question proposed, That it is expedient to authorise the payment, out of moneys provided by Parliament, of grants under section one of the Housing (Additional Powers) Act, 1920, in respect of houses in Scotland, completed, in the case of houses as respects which any assistance is provided by the Board of Agriculture for Scotland, within three years and six months, and in the case of any other houses within two years and six months of the passing of that Act, or such further period, not exceeding four months, as the Scottish Board of Health may in any special case allow, and to limit the aggregate amount of such grants in respect of houses in Scotland—(Mr. Pratt);

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Question put, and agreed to.
Resolution to be reported.

Mr. Deputy Speaker resumed the Chair; and the Chairman of Ways and Means reported, That the Committee had come to a Resolution.

Ordered, That the Report be received this day.

The House, according to Order, resolved itself into a Committee on Overseas Trade [Credits and Insurances].

(In the Committee.) Motion made, and Question proposed, That it is expedient to extend the Overseas Trade (Credits and Insurances) Act, 1920, to the giving of guarantees in connection with export transactions, and to amend the said Acts as regards the countries in respect of which it applies, and to authorise the payment, out of moneys provided by Parliament, of any sums required in connection with the giving of such guarantees, so, however, that the amounts outstanding at any time in respect of credits and guarantees shall not together exceed the amount now authorised under that Act; and that any expenses incurred by the Board of Trade by reason of such extension and amendment of the said Act as aforesaid—(Sir Philip Lloyd-Greame).

The Committee divided.
Tellors for the [Mr. McDermid, Yeas, (Colonel Leslie Wilson ); 88. Tellors for the [Colonel Penny Williams, Noes, (Major Barnes); 9. Resolution to be reported.

Mr. Deputy Speaker resumed the Chair; and the Chairman of Ways and Means reported, That the Committee had come to a Resolution.

Ordered, That the Report be received this day.

The House, according to Order, resolved itself into a Committee on Finance [Consolidated Fund].

(In the Committee.) Motion made, and Question proposed, That it is expedient for the purpose of any Act of

the present Session to make provision for the financial arrangements of the year—

1. To authorise the issue out of the Consolidated Fund of such sums as may be required for the purpose of any sinking fund to be established in connection with the three and one-half per cent. Conversion Loan redeemable in nineteen hundred and sixty-one.

2. To charge on the Consolidated Fund—

(a) the principal and interest of any securities which may be issued under section sixty of the Finance Act, 1916; and

(b) any sums which may be required for the expenses of the exchange of securities under the said section or of the cancellation of any securities issued thereunder; 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 so issued.

3. That—

(a) the following amounts outstanding in respect of advances made out of the Civil Contingencies Fund, namely, twenty-one million six hundred and fifty thousand pounds in respect of an advance made to the Royal Commission on Sugar Supplies for the purchase of sugar, one million and fifty thousand pounds in respect of an advance made to the Board of Trade for the purchase of zinc concentrates and spelter, and three hundred and fifty thousand pounds in respect of an advance made to the Minister of Agriculture and Fisheries for flax production, should be written off from the assets of the said Fund, and the amount to be repaid to the Exchequer under the Civil Contingencies Fund Act, 1919, should be reduced by an amount equal to the sum of the said amounts to be written off as aforesaid; and

(b) the amount to be so repaid to the Exchequer as aforesaid should be further reduced by the sum of one million two hundred thousand pounds.

4. That the annual sum payable under section six of the Finance Act, 1908, out of the Consolidated Fund to the Local Taxation Account for distribution among the county councils in England and Wales in connection with the collection by them of the duties on the local taxation licences to which the said section applies should be increased to sixty thousand pounds—(Mr. Hitton Young);

Amendment proposed, to leave out paragraph 3.—(Lieutenant-Commander Kenworthy.)

Question put, That the words proposed to be left out stand part of the Question.

The Committee divided.
Tellors for the [Colonel Leslie Wilson, Yeas, (Mr. Dudley Ward); 67. Tellors for the [Major Barnes, Noes, (Colonel Penny Williams); 8. Main Question put.

The Committee divided.
Tellors for the [Mr. McDermid, Yeas, (Colonel Leslie Wilson); 63. Tellors for the [Mr. Waterson, Noes, (Mr. Glaston); 8. Resolution to be reported.
Mr. Deputy Speaker resumed the Chair; and the Chairman of Ways and Means reported, That the Committee had come to a Resolution.

Ordered, That the Report be received this day.

The Order of the day being read, for resuming the adjourned Debate on the Amendment which, upon the 25th day of this instant May, was proposed to be made to the First of the Resolutions which were then reported from the Committee of Supply of the 24th day of this instant May;

Ordered, That the Debate be further adjourned till Wednesday next.

The Order of the day being read, for taking into consideration the Second and subsequent Resolutions which, upon the 25th day of this instant May, were reported from the Committee of Supply of the 24th day of this instant May;

Ordered, That the said Resolutions be taken into consideration upon Wednesday next.

The Order of the day being read, for receiving the Report from the Committee of Supply of the 12th day of this instant May;

Ordered, That the Report be received upon Wednesday next.

The Order of the day being read, for resuming the adjourned Debate on the Amendment which, upon the 3rd day of this instant May, was proposed to be made to the Eleventh of the Resolutions which, upon the 2nd day of this instant May, were reported from the Committee of Supply of the 21st day of April last;

Ordered, That the Debate be further adjourned till Wednesday next.

The Order of the day being read, for taking into consideration the Twelfth of the Resolutions which, upon the 2nd day of this instant May, were reported from the Committee of Supply of the 21st day of April last;

Ordered, That the said Resolution be taken into consideration upon Wednesday next.

The Order of the day being read, for resuming the adjourned Debate on the Question proposed upon the 2nd day of this instant May, That this House doth agree with the Committee in the Third of the Resolutions which were then reported from the Committee of Supply of the 21st day of April last;

Ordered, That the Debate be further adjourned till Wednesday next.

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 Report from the Committee of Ways and Means of the 11th day of this instant May;

Ordered, That the Report be received this day.

The Order of the day being read, for taking into consideration His Majesty's Message of the 2nd day of this instant May, relative to the Emergency Powers Act, 1920;

Ordered, That the said Message be taken into consideration upon Monday next.

The Order of the day being read, for the Church of Scotland Bill;

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time upon Monday next.

The Order of the day being read, for resuming the adjourned Debate on the Question proposed upon the 11th day of April last, That an humble Address be presented to His Majesty, thanking His Majesty for His Most Gracious Message communicating to this House His Majesty's intentions with respect to the Reserve Forces;

Ordered, That the Debate be further adjourned till Monday next.

The Order of the day being read, for the Electricity Second Reading of the Electricity (Supply) (Supply) Bill;

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time upon Monday next.

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 Finance Bill;

Ordered, That the said Resolutions be taken into consideration this day.

The Order of the day being read, for the Capital Second Reading of the Capital Punishment (Limitations) Bill;

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time upon Monday next.

The Order of the day being read, for the Public Second Reading of the Public Defender Bill;

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time upon Monday next.

The Order of the day being read, for the Parliament Second Reading of the Parliament Act, 1911 (Repeal) Bill;

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time upon Monday next.

The Order of the day being read, for resuming the adjourned Debate on the Question proposed in the opinion of this House the Conventions adopted at the International Labour Conference under the League of Nations, should be submitted to Parliament as the competent Authority;

Ordered, That the Debate be further adjourned till Monday next.

A Motion being made, That this House will, Railways this day, resolve itself into a Committee to consider of making provision, out of moneys provided by Parliament, for the discharge of liabilities arising in connection with the possession of railways, and for the payment of such other expenses as may be incurred in pursuance of any Act of the present Session to provide for
the reorganisation and further regulation of railways, and the discharge of liabilities arising in connection with the possession of railways, to amend the Law relating to railways, and to extend the life of the Rates Advisory Committee.—(Mr. Hilton Young); Mr. Austen Chamberlain, by His Majesty's Command, acquainted the House that His Majesty, having been informed of the subject-matter of this Motion, recommends it to the consideration of the House.

Resolved, That this House will, this day, resolve itself into the said Committee.

Adjournment.

And it being after half-past Eleven of the clock on Monday evening, Mr. Deputy Speaker adjourned the House without Question put, pursuant to the Standing Order, it being then nineteen minutes after Three of the clock on Tuesday morning, till this day.

[No. 66.]

Tuesday, 31st May 1921.

The House met at a quarter of an hour before Three of the clock.

PRAYERS.

Mr. Speaker laid upon the Table,—Report from one of the Examiners of Petitions for Private Bills, That in the case of the following Bills, originating in the Lords, and referred on the First Reading thereof, the Standing Orders not previously inquired into, which are applicable thereto, have been complied with, viz.:

Mid-Glamorgan Water Board Bill [Lords].
South Shields Corporation Bill [Lords].
Ordered, That the Bills be read a second time.

Mr. Speaker laid upon the Table,—Report from one of the Examiners of Petitions for Private Bills, That in the case of the following Bills, originating in the Lords, and referred on the First Reading thereof, the Standing Orders which are applicable thereto have not been complied with, viz.:

Ministry of Health Provisional Orders (No. 2) Bill.
Ordered, That the Bills be read a second time to-morrow.

Mr. Speaker laid upon the Table,—Report from one of the Examiners of Petitions for Private Bills, That in the case of the following Bills, originating in the Lords, the Standing Orders have not been complied with, viz.:

Ministry of Health Provisional Orders (No. 8) Bill.
Pier and Harbour Provisional Orders (No. 1) Bill.
Hamilton Water and Gas Provisional Order Bill.
Ordered, That the Bills 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 Petition for the following Bill, originating in the Lords, the Standing Orders have not been complied with, viz.:

Londonderry Corporation Bridge [Lords].
Ordered, That the Report be referred to the Select Committee on Standing Orders.

Ordered, That the Liverpool Corporation Bill [Lords] be read a second time to-morrow.

The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the County of London Electric Supply Company Bill [Lords];
Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time upon Thursday next.

The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the London County Council (Money) Bill;
Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time upon Thursday next, at a quarter of an hour after Eight of the clock.

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, Hertford Division, in the room of the late NOEL PEMBERTON-BILLING, 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.—(Major Christopher Louchter.)

Mr. Rendall reported from Standing Committee D, to whom the Corn Sales Bill was referred; That they had gone through the Bill and made Amendments thereunto.

Ordered, That the Report do lie upon the Table; and be printed.

Ordered, That the Minutes of the Proceedings No. 124. of the Standing Committee be printed.

Ordered, That the Bill, as amended in the Standing Committee, be taken into consideration upon Friday next; and be printed.

Mr. Rendall reported from Standing Committee D, to whom the Tithe Annuities Bill was referred; That they had gone through the Bill, and made Amendments thereunto.

Ordered, That the Report do lie upon the Table; and be printed.
Ordered, That the Minutes of the Proceedings of the Standing Committee be printed.

Ordered, That the Bill, as amended in the Standing Committee, be taken into consideration upon Tuesday next; and be printed.

Cardiff Gas Bill.

Sir Harry Samuel reported from the Committee on the Cardiff Gas Bill; That they had examined the allegations contained in the Preamble of the Bill, and amended the same so as to make it consistent with the provisions of the Bill as passed by the Committee, and found the same, as amended, to be true; and had gone through the Bill and made Amendments thereto, and directed him to report the same, without Amendment, to the House.

Ordered, That the Report do lie upon the Table; and be printed.

Mr. John William Wilson reported from the Standing Committee on Scottish Bills to whom the report of the Standing Committee on Scottish Bills, (No. 126) 1st June, was referred; That they had discharged the Members of the Standing Committee on Scottish Bills to whom the report of the Standing Committee on Scottish Bills, (No. 126) 1st June, was referred; and had appointed in substitution: Dr. Acland, Mr. Hartshorn, Mr. Lindsay, Major Morton, Mr. Raffan.

Mr. Acland reported from the Select Committee appointed to join with a Committee of the House of Lords on Indian affairs; That they had made further progress in the matters to them referred, and directed him to make a Report thereof to the House.

Ordered, That the Report do lie upon the Table; and be printed.

Mr. Speaker acquainted the House, That a Message had been brought from the Lords by one of their Clerks, as followeth:

The Lords propose that the Joint Committee appointed to consider Consolidation Bills do meet in Committee Room C on Wednesday the 8th day of June, at Twelve of the clock. The House proceeded to take the said Message into consideration.

Ordered, That the Committee appointed by this House do meet the Lords' Committee as proposed by their Lordships. (Colonel Leslie Wilson.)

Ordered, That a Message be sent to the Lords to acquaint them therewith: And that the Clerk do carry the said Message.

Railway Bills (Group 1). Colonel Bowes reported from the Committee on Group 1 of Railway Bills; That, for the convenience of parties, the Committee had adjourned till Wednesday the 8th day of June next, at Eleven of the clock.

Ordered, That the Report do lie upon the Table.

Selection (Standing Committee B) Standing Committee B.

Sir Samuel Roberts reported from the Committee of Selection; That they had added the following Fifteen Members to Standing Committee B (in respect of the Dentists Bill):—Mr. Acland, Mr. Bartley Dennis, Colonel Fremantle, Mr. Hartshorn, Colonel Hurst, Mr. Kennedy, Mr. Lindsay, Major Morton, Sir Alfred Mond, Mr. Munro, Captain O'Grady, Mr. Pratt, Sir Thomas Robinson, Sir William Whitehead, and Sir Kingsley Wood.

Sir Samuel Roberts further reported from the Standing Committee that they had added the following Members from Standing Committee B:—Mr. Galbraith and Colonel Henry Williams; and had appointed in substitution: Dr. Murray and Mr. Roffan.

Sir Samuel Roberts further reported from the Standing Committee that they had discharged the following Members from Standing Committee B:—Mr. Galbraith and Colonel Henry Williams; and had appointed in substitution: Dr. Murray and Mr. Roffan.

Ordered, That the Reports do lie upon the Table.

Mr. Hilton Young reported from the Committee of Ways and Means of the 11th day of May, with a Bill to alter the rates of Excise duties on the following articles imported into Great Britain or Ireland a customs duty of an amount not exceeding 10 per cent. of the value of the article, that is to say:

(a) Optical glass and optical elements, whether finished or not, microscopes, field and opera glasses, theodolites, sextants, spectroscopes, and other optical instruments;
(b) Bankers' flasks, burettes, measuring cylinders, thermometers, tubing, and other scientific glassware and lamp-blown ware, evaporating dishes, crucibles, combustion boats, and other laboratory porcelain;
(c) Galvanometers, pyrometers, electrosopes, barometers, analytical and other precision balances, and other scientific instruments, gauges, and measuring instruments of precision, the types used in engineering machine shops and viewing rooms, whether for use in such shops or rooms or not;
(d) Wireless valves and similar rectifiers, and vacuum tubes;
(e) Ignition magneto's and permanent magnets;
(f) Arc-lamp carbons;
(g) Hosey catch needles;
(h) Metallic tungsten, ferro-tungsten and manufactured products of metallic tungsten and compounds (not including ores or minerals) of thorium, cerium, and the other rare earth metals; and synthetic organic chemicals (other than synthetic organic dyestuffs, colours and colouring matters imported for use as such, and organic intermediate products imported for their manufacture), analytical re-agents, all other fine chemicals and pharmaceuticals manufactured by fermentation processes;
including any articles comprised in any list which may from time to time be issued by the Board of Trade for defining the articles which are to be taken as falling under any of the general descriptions set out above.

2. That there shall be charged on any of the following articles imported into Great Britain or Ireland, in addition to any other duties of customs chargeable thereon, a customs duty of an amount equal to $3.3\%$ per cent, of the value of the article, that is to say:

Articles of any class or description in respect of which an order by the Board of Trade has been made under any Act of the present Session for giving effect to this Resolution, if manufactured in whole or in part in any of the countries specified in the Order, or deemed to be so manufactured.

Any such Order as aforesaid may be made on the ground that articles of the class or description in question are being sold or offered for sale in the United Kingdom—

(a) At prices below the cost of production thereof; or

(b) At prices which, by reason of depreciation in the value in relation to sterling of the currency of the country in which the goods are manufactured, are below the prices at which similar goods can be profitably manufactured in the United Kingdom;

and that by reason thereof employment in any industry in the United Kingdom is being or is likely to be seriously affected.

For the purpose of this Resolution, "cost of production" in relation to goods of any class or description means the current sterling equivalent of—

(a) The wholesale price at the works charged for goods of the class or description for consumption in the country of manufacture; or

(b) If no such goods are sold for consumption in that country, the price which, having regard to the prices charged for goods as near as may be similar when so sold or when sold for exportation to other countries, would be so charged if the goods were sold in that country.

The First Resolution being read a second time;

An Amendment was proposed to be made to the Resolution, to insert after the word "cost," and inserting the word "three,"—(Major Barnes)—instead thereof!

And the Question being put, That the word "five," and inserting the word "three,"—(Major Barnes)—instead thereof:

The House divided.

The Yeas to the Right;

The Noes to the Left.

Tellers for the [Colonel Leslie Wilson, Yeas, Mr. McCardy: 244.]

Tellers for the [Mr. George Thorne, Noes, Major Barnes: 79.]

So it was resolved in the Affirmative.

Another Amendment was proposed to be made to the Resolution, in l. 5, by leaving out paragraph (a).—(Dr. Murray)

And the Question being put, That the words proposed to be left stands part of the Resolution:

The House divided.

The Yeas to the Right;

The Noes to the Left.

Tellers for the [Colonel Leslie Wilson, Yeas, Mr. McCardy: 209.]

Tellers for the [Mr. George Thorne, Noes, Dr. Murray: 70.]

So it was resolved in the Affirmative.

Another Amendment was proposed to be made to the Resolution, by leaving out line 17.—(Mr. Newbold)

And the Question being put, That the words proposed to be left stands part of the Resolution:

The House divided.

The Yeas to the Right;

The Noes to the Left.

Tellers for the [Colonel Leslie Wilson, Yeas, Mr. Dudley Ward: 168.]

Tellers for the [Mr. Briant, Noes, Mr. Newbold: 75.]

So it was resolved in the Affirmative.

Another Amendment was proposed to be made to the Resolution, in l. 27, by inserting after the word "Trade," the words "subject to the approval of both Houses of Parliament."—(Sir Geoffrey Collins)

And the Question being put, That those words be there inserted:

The House divided.

The Yeas to the Right;

The Noes to the Left.

Tellers for the [Mr. Arthur Henderson, Yeas, Mr. George Thorne: 85.]

Tellers for the [Colonel Leslie Wilson, Noes, Mr. Dudley Ward: 181.]

So it was passed in the Negative.

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. Arthur Henderson, Yeas, Mr. George Thorne: 74.]

Tellers for the [Colonel Leslie Wilson, Noes, Mr. Dudley Ward: 194.]

So it was resolved in the Affirmative.

Another Amendment was proposed to be made to the Resolution, in l. 1, by inserting after the word "Trade," the words "For the period of one
year from the passing of an Act for giving effect to this Resolution. — (Mr. William Graham.)
And the Question being proposed, That those words be there inserted in the Resolution — And a Debate arising thereupon;

And the House having continued to sit till after Twelve of the clock on Wednesday morning;

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Mr. Austen Chamberlain rose in his place and claimed to move, That the Question be now put.

And the Question being put, That the Question be now put;
The House divided.
The Yeas to the Right;
The Noes to the Left.
Tellers for the: Colonel Leslie Wilson, [Mr. Dudley Ward : 177.
Tellers for the: Mr. George Thorne, | 59.

So it was resolved in the Affirmative.

And the Question being accordingly put, That those words be there inserted in the Resolution;
The House divided.
The Yeas to the Right;
The Noes to the Left.
Tellers for the: Mr. Arthur Henderson, [Mr. George Thorne : 64.
Tellers for the: Colonel Leslie Wilson, | 173.
Noes, | Mr. McCurdy : ]

So it passed in the Negative.

Mr. Austen Chamberlain claimed, That the Main Question be now put.

And the Question being accordingly put, That this House doth agree with the Committee in the said Resolution;
The House divided.
The Yeas to the Right;
The Noes to the Left.
Tellers for the: Colonel Leslie Wilson, [Mr. McCurdy : 171.
Tellers for the: Mr. Arthur Henderson, | 2.
Noes, | Mr. George Thorne : ]

So it was resolved in the Affirmative.

Ordered, That a Bill be brought in upon the said Resolutions, and that the Chairman of Ways and Means, Mr. Baldwin, Mr. Chancellor of the Exchequer, Sir Alfred Mond, Mr. Attorney General, and Sir Philip Lloyd-Greame do prepare and bring it in.

Mr. Baldwin accordingly presented a Bill to impose duties of customs on certain goods with a view to the safeguarding of certain special industries and the safeguarding of employment in industries in the United Kingdom against the effects of the depreciation of foreign currencies and the disposal of imported goods at prices below the cost of production, and for purposes connected therewith: And the same was read the first time, and ordered to be read a second time upon Monday next; and to be printed.

The Order of the day being read, for the Committee on Railways [Money];

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.

The Order of the day being read, for taking Emergency Powers Act into consideration His Majesty's Message of the 30th day of May last relative to the Emergency Powers Act, 1920;

Ordered, That the said Message be taken into consideration this day.

The Order of the day being read, for receiving the Report from the Committee on Housing (Scotland) [Grants];

Ordered, That the Report be received this day.

The Order of the day being read, for receiving the Report from the Committee on Overseas Trade [Credits and Insurances];

Ordered, That the Report be received this day.

The Order of the day being read, for receiving the Report from the Committee on Finance [Consolidated Fund];

Ordered, That the Report be received 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.

A Motion was made, and the Question being Adjourned, proposed, That this House do now adjourn— (Mr. Austen Chamberlain):— And a Debate arising thereupon;

Mr. Austen Chamberlain rose in his place and claimed to move, That the Question be now put.

And the Question being put, That the Question be now put;
The House divided.
The Yeas to the Right;
The Noes to the Left.
Tellers for the: Colonel Leslie Wilson, [Mr. McCurdy : 122.
Tellers for the: Mr. Arthur Henderson, | 52.
Noes, | Mr. George Thorne : ]

So it was resolved in the Negative.

And the Question being accordingly put, That this House do now adjourn;
The House divided.
The Yeas to the Right;
The Noes to the Left.
Tellers for the: Colonel Leslie Wilson, [Mr. Dudley Ward : 127.
Tellers for the: Mr. George Thorne, | 50.
Noes, | Mr. Arthur Henderson : ]

So it was resolved in the Negative.

And accordingly the House, having continued to sit till five minutes after One of the clock on Wednesday morning, adjourned till this day.
The Order of the day being read for, the Second Reading of the Ministry of Health Provisional Order (Newark Extension) Bill; Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time to-morrow.

Mr. Baldwin presented, pursuant to the directions of an Act of Parliament,—Account of all Deposits received and repaid by the Board of Trade on account of Seamen's Savings Banks under the Merchant Shipping Act, 1894, during the year ended 30th November 1919, 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 1920 ; also Statement showing the Receipts and Payments in connection with the transmission of Seamen's Wages, Home and Foreign, from 1878 to 31st March 1920. 
Ordered, That the said Account do lie upon the Table.

Mr. Forster presented, pursuant to Forestry Commissioners' directions of an Act of Parliament,—Copy of First Annual Report of the Forestry Commissioners for the year ended 30th September 1920.
Ordered, That the said Paper do lie upon the Table; and be printed.
The Chairman of Ways and Means reported from the Committee on the Falmouth Docks Bill [Lords]: That they had examined the allegations contained in the Preamble of the Bill, and verbally amended the same, and found the same, as amended, to be true; and had gone through the Bill and made Amendments thereunto.

Ordered, That the Report do lie upon the Table; and be printed.

The Chairman of Ways and Means reported from the Committee on the Ministry of Health Provisional Orders (No. 4) Bill; That they had considered the Orders therein contained: that the said Orders ought to be confirmed; and that they had directed him to report the Bill, with Amendments, to the House.

Ordered, That the Report do lie upon the Table.

Ordered, That the Bill, as amended in the Committee, be taken into consideration to-morrow.

The Chairman of Ways and Means reported from the Committee on the Ministry of Health Provisional Orders (No. 5) Bill; That they had considered the Orders therein contained: that the Order relating to Airdsea East and West ought not to be confirmed; that the remaining Orders ought to be confirmed; and that they had directed him to report the Bill, with Amendments, to the House, and had amended the Title, as followeth: A Bill to confirm certain Provisional Orders of the Minister of Health relating to the Borough of Rotherham, without Amendment, to the House.

Ordered, That the Report do lie upon the Table.

Ordered, That the Bill, as amended in the Committee, be taken into consideration to-morrow.

The Chairman of Ways and Means reported from the Committee on the Ministry of Health Provisional Orders (Water) Bill; That they had considered the Orders therein contained: that the said Orders ought to be confirmed; and that they had directed him to report the Bill, without Amendment, to the House.

Ordered, That the Report do lie upon the Table.

Ordered, That the Bill be read the third time to-morrow.

The Chairman of Ways and Means reported from the Committee on the Marriages 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 Report do lie upon the Table.

Ordered, That the Bill be read the third time to-morrow.

The Chairman of Ways and Means reported from the Committee on the Pilotage Provisional Orders (No. 3) Bill; That they had considered the Orders therein contained: that the said Orders ought to be confirmed; and that they had directed him to report the Bill, without Amendment, to the House.

Ordered, That the Report do lie upon the Table.

Ordered, That the Bill be read the third time to-morrow.

Mr. Speaker 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 Act to assimilate and amend the law of real and personal estate, to abolish copyhold and other special tenures, to amend the law relating to commonable lands and of intestacy, and to amend the Wills Acts, 1837, the Settled Lands Acts, 1882 to 1890, the Conveyancing Acts, 1881 to 1911, the Trustee Act, 1894, and the Land Transfer Acts, 1875 and 1897; to which the Lords desire the concurrence of this House.

Sir William Middleton reported from the Local Legislation Committee [Lords], That the Standing Orders (No. 4) Bill, in the case of the Rotherham Corporation Bill, they had examined the allegations contained in the Preamble of the Bill, and amended the same so as to make it consistent with the provision of the Bill as passed by the Committee, and found the same, as amended, to be true; and that they had gone through the Bill and made Amendments therein, and had amended the Title, as followeth:—A Bill to vest further powers upon the Mayor, Aldermen and Burgesses of the County Borough of Rotherham, to make further provision with regard to the health local government and improvement of the borough, to authorise the formation of a superannuation fund, to provide for the consolidation of rates levied in the said borough, and for other purposes.

Ordered, That the Report do lie upon the Table; and be printed.

Mr. John William Wilson reported from the Standing Committees on Standing Orders several Orders; Resolutions; which were read, as follow:

1. That in the case of the West Ham Corporation 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 Batley Corporation Bill, Petition for additional Provision, the Standing Orders ought to be dispensed with; that the parties be permitted to insert their additional Provision if the Committee on the Bill think fit.

The said Resolutions, being read a second time, were agreed to.

Mr. John William Wilson reported from the Standing Committees; That they had appointed Mr. Turton to act as Chairman of Standing Committees (Chairmen's Panel) and Sir Samuel Roberts to act as Chairman of Standing Committee B (in respect of the Railways Bill).

Ordered, That the Report do lie upon the Table.

Sir Samuel Roberts reported from the Committee of Selection; That they had discharged the following Member from Standing Committee B (Chairmen's Panel):—Mr. Moynihan.

Sir Samuel Roberts further reported from the Standing Committee; That they had added the following Members to Standing Committee B (in respect of the Railways Bill):—The Lord Advocate, Mr. Attorney General, Sir Frederick Banbury, Major Barnes, Viscount Eidsen, Sir Eric Geddes, Mr. William Graham, Major Hills, Lieutenant-Colonel Jackson, Colonel Milnady, Mr. Menzies, Mr. Myers, Mr. Neal, Mr. Sexton, and Mr. Murrough Wilson.
Standing Committee B.

Sir Samuel Roberts further reported from the Committee; That they had added the following Members to Standing Committee B (during the consideration of the Railways Bill):—Mr. George Barnes, Major Olyn, Lieutenant-Colonel Macdonald, Mr. MacKeogh, Lieutenant-Colonel Arthur Murray, Mr. John Murray, Sir Alfred Smurth, Mr. Waterman, Sir Robert Williams, Mr. Robert Young, and Sir George Younger.

Standing Committee B.

Sir Samuel Roberts further reported from the Committee; That they had discharged the following Members from Standing Committee B (after the consideration of the Dentists Bill):—Lieutenant-Colonel Allen, Sir William Barton, Captain Cote, Mr. Charles Edwards, Captain Gee, Sir Philip Maggus, Mr. Murray, Sir Charles Oman, Mr. Ormsby-Gore, Mr. Raifson, Colonel Sir Alexander Spot, and Mr. Charles White; and had appointed in substitution; Major Entwistle, Mr. Gilbert, Colonel Grettan; Rear-Admiral Sir Reginald Hall, Major Hamilton, Sir Arthur Hope, Sir Donald Mackenzie, Sir William Robbun, Mr. Roger, Mr. Trencham, Thomas, Sir Matthew Wilson, and Sir Alfred Yeo.

Ordered, That the Reports do lie upon the Table.

Adjournment of the House.

Destruction of houses in Ireland.

Major-General Seely, Member for the Ilkeston Division of Derbyshire, 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 failure of His Majesty's Government to issue orders prohibiting the destruction of houses or buildings by the Crown forces in Ireland except where necessary on purely military grounds, and the urgent necessity for putting a stop to such actions as the burning of Tincurry House and other houses in the Galtee Valley, which have no military advantage; 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 not less than 40 Members having accordingly risen, the Motion stood over, under Standing Order No. 10, until Monday next; and to be printed.

Agriculture Amendment Bill.

Bill 126.

The House, according to Order, resolved itself into the Committee of Supply.

(In the Committee.)

Civil Services Supplementary Estimates, 1921—22.

Class II.

Motion made, and Question proposed, That a Supplementary sum not exceeding £75,000 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 1922 for the Salaries and Expenses of the House of Commons:

Whereupon Motion made, and Question, That Item A (2) be reduced by £30,000.—(Sir John Butler.)

The Committee divided.

Tellers for the [Sir John Butler, Yeas, (Mr. Lane Fox:] 104.

Tellers for the [Sir Arthur Henderson, Noses, (Mr. Clough:] 213.

Original Question again proposed:

Whereupon Motion made, and Question, That Item A (2) be reduced by £30,000.—(Sir Godfrey Collins,)—put, and negatived.

Original Question put:

The Committee divided.

Tellers for the [Sir Arthur Henderson, Yeas, (Mr. Starrock:] 171.

Tellers for the [Sir Frederick Banbury, Noses, (Mr. Rawlinson:] 197.

Whereupon the Chairman left the Chair.

Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair; and the Chairman of Ways and Means 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 on Housing (Scotland) [Grants];

Ordered, That the Report be received to-morrow.

The Order of the day being read, for receiving the Report from the Committee on Overseas Trade [Credits and Insurances];

Ordered, That the Report be received to-morrow.

The Order of the day being read, for receiving the Report from the Committee on Finance [Consolidated Fund];

Ordered, That the Report be received to-morrow.

The Order of the day being read, for taking supply into consideration the Second and subsequent Resolutions which, upon the 25th day of May last, were reported from the Committee of Supply of the 24th day of May last;

Ordered, That the said Resolutions be taken into consideration to-morrow.

The Order of the day being read, for receiving the Report from the Committee of Supply of the 19th day of May last;

Ordered, That the Report be received to-morrow.

The Order of the day being read, for resuming the adjourned Debate on the Question proposed on the 25th day of May last; The House doth agree with the Committee in the First of the Resolutions which were then reported from the Committee of Supply of the 24th day of May last;

Ordered, That the Debate be further adjourned till to-morrow.

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The Order of the day being read, for resuming the adjourned Debate on the Amendment which, upon the 3rd day of May last, was proposed to be made to the Eleventh of the Resolutions which, upon the 2nd day of May last, were reported from the Committee of Supply of the 21st day of April last;

Ordered, That the Debate be further adjourned till to-morrow.

The Order of the day being read, for taking into consideration the Twelfth of the Resolutions which, upon the 2nd day of May last, were reported from the Committee of Supply of the 21st day of April last;

Ordered, That the said Resolution be taken into consideration to-morrow.

The Order of the day being read, for resuming the adjourned Debate on the Question proposed upon the 2nd day of May last, That this House doth agree with the Committee in the Third of the Resolutions which were then reported from the Committee of Supply of the 21st day of April last;

Ordered, That the Debate be further adjourned till to-morrow.

The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the County of London Electric Supply Company Bill [Lords];

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time upon Wednesday next.

The Order of the day being read, for the Protection of Animals Bill;

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time to-morrow.

The Order of the day being read, for resuming Local the adjourned Debate on the Question proposed Authorities (Payment of Expenses) Bill be now upon the 6th day of May last, That the Local read a second time;

Ordered, That the Debate be further adjourned to-morrow.

The Order of the day being read, for the Ministry of Second Reading of the Ministry of Transport (Transfer of Railways) Bill;

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time upon Wednesday next.

The Order of the day being read, for the Matrimonial Second Reading of the Matrimonial Causes Bill [Lords];

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time upon Monday next.

And then the House, having continued to Adjournment, sit till two minutes after Eleven of the clock, adjourned till to-morrow.

[No. 68.]

Thursday, 2nd June 1921.

The House met at a quarter of an hour before Three of the clock.

PRAYERS.

ORDERED, That the Wigan Corporation Wigan Corporation Bill, be read the third time to-morrow.

Ordered, That the North StaffordshireRailway Bill, as amended in the Committee, be taken into consideration to-morrow.

The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the County of London Electric Supply Company Bill [Lords];

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time upon Monday next.

The Order of the day being read, for the Ministry of Third Reading of the Ministry of Health Provisional Orders (Water) Bill;

Ordered, That the Bill be read the third time to-morrow.

The Order of the day being read, for the Third Reading of the Marriages Provisional Order 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 Pilotage Provisional Orders (No. 3) Bill;
Ordered, That the Bill be read the third time to-morrow.

The Order of the day being read, for taking into consideration the Ministry of Health Provisional Orders (No. 4) 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 Ministry of Health Provisional Orders (No. 5) 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 Ministry of Health Provisional Orders (No. 6) 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 Ministry of Health Provisional Orders (No. 7) 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 Ministry of Health Provisional Orders (No. 8) 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 Ministry of Health Provisional Orders (No. 9) 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 Ministry of Health Provisional Order (Cardiff Extension) Bill;
Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time to-morrow.

The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Ministry of Health Provisional Order (Newark Extension) Bill.

The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Ministry of Health Provisional Order (Shaftesbury Extension) Bill;
Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time to-morrow.

The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Ministry of Health Provisional Order (Stoke-on-Trent Extension) Bill;
Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time to-morrow.

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Ordered, That the Bill, as amended in the Standing Committee, be taken into consideration upon Monday next; and be printed.

Standing Committee D. Diseases of Animals Act (1910) Amendment Bill.

Mr. Hodges reported from Standing Committee D, to whom the Diseases of Animals Act (1910) Amendment Bill was referred; That they had gone through the Bill and made an Amendment thereunto.

No. 131. Ordered, That the Report do lie upon the Table; and be printed.

No. 131. Ordered, That the Minutes of the Proceedings of the Standing Committee be printed.

Ordered, That the Bill, as amended in the Standing Committee, be taken into consideration to-morrow.

Swansea Gas Bill.

Sir Harry Samuel reported from the Committee on the Swansea Gas Bill; That they had examined the allegations contained in the Preamble of the Bill, and had 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.

Private Bills (Group E.) Provisional Pensions Bill.

Captain Starkey reported from the Committee on Group E of Private Bills; That, for the convenience of parties, the Committee had adjourned till Monday next, at half-past Eleven o'clock.

Ordered, That the Report do lie upon the Table.

Pensions Bill 128.

Mr. Tyron Wilson, supported by Mr. Clynes, Mr. Adamson, Mr. Arthur Henderson, Mr. James Henry Thomas, and Mr. John Jones, presented a Bill to provide for pensions for mothers: And the same was ordered to be read a second time upon Thursday next; and to be printed.

Order, That the Proceedings on the Motion relative to Emergency Powers Act, 1920 (Regulations), in Committee on Railways [Money], and on the Reports of the Committees on Ironing (Scotland) [Grants]; Overseas Trade [Credits and Insurances], and Finance [Consolidated Fund] have precedence this day of the Business of Supply.—(Mr. Austen Chamberlain.)

A Motion was made, and the Question being put, That those Acts may remain a member, and of allowances any officer or servant of a railway company transferred to the Minister of Transport may remain a member, and of allowances for the disturbance of offices and servants; and to extend the duration of the Rates Advisory Committee, it is expedient to make provision for the payment, out of moneys provided by Parliament,—

(a) of a sum of sixty million pounds in satisfaction of claims which might have been made by railway companies in Great Britain for compensation under the Regulation of the Forces Act, 1871, or the Ministry of Transport Act, 1918, or otherwise arising out of, or in respect of, the possession by the Crown of the undertakings, railroads, or plant of such railway companies, or in the exercise of the powers conferred by those Acts;

(b) of the expenses (including the remuneration of members and staff) of any tribunal which may be established by the said Act;

(c) of contributions by the Treasury to any pension or superannuation fund of which any officer or servant of a railway company transferred to the Minister of Transport may remain a member, and of allowances for the disturbance of officers and servants;

(d) of the expenses of the Rates Advisory Committee so long as the committee is continued in existence by the said Act.——

(Mr. Hilton Young.)

And it being a quarter past Eight of the clock, and there being Private Business set down by direction of the Chairman of Ways and Means under Standing Order No. 5, further Proceeding was postponed, without Question put.

The London County Council (Money) Bill was, according to Order, read a second time, and committed.
Postponed Proceeding on Question, That for the purposes of any Act of the present Session to provide for the re-organisation and further regulation of railways, and the discharge of liabilities in connection with the possession of railways, and otherwise to amend the Law relating to railways, and to extend the duration of the Rates Advisory Committee, it is expedient to make provision for the payment, out of moneys provided by Parliament,—

(a) of a sum of sixty million pounds in satisfaction of claims which might have been made by railway companies in Great Britain for compensation under the Regulation of the Forces Act, 1871, or the Ministry of Transport Act, 1919, or otherwise arising out of, or in respect of, the possession by the Crown of the undertakings, railways, or plant of such railway companies, or in the exercise of the powers conferred by those Acts;

(b) of the expenses (including the remuneration of members and staff) of any tribunals which may be established by the said Act;

(c) of contributions by the Treasury to any pension or superannuation fund of which any officer or servant of a railway company transferred to the Minister of Transport may remain a member, and of allowances for the disturbance of officers and servants;

(d) of the expenses of the Rates Advisory Committee so long as the committee is continued in existence by the said Act, resumed.

Amendment proposed, in l. 7., to leave out the second word "of," in order to insert the words "not exceeding."—(Mr. Waterston.)

Question put, That the word "of" stand part of the Question.

The Committee divided.

Tellers for the [Colonel Leslie Wilson, Yes, [Mr. Dudley Ward : ] 117.] Tellers for the [Mr. Waterston, Noes, [Mr. Wignall : ] 38.]

Another Amendment proposed, in l. 7., to leave out the word "sixty," in order to insert the word "ten."—(Mr. Spencer.)

Question proposed, That the word "sixty" stand part of the Question.—Debate arising;

Lieutenant-Commander Kenworthy moved, That the Chairman do report Progress; and ask leave to sit again; but the Chairman, being of opinion that the Motion was an abuse of the rules of the House, declined to propose the Question thereupon to the Committee.

Sir Eric Geddes rose in his place and claimed to move, That the Question be now put.

Question put, That the Question be now put.

The Committee divided.

Tellers for the [Colonel Leslie Wilson, Yes, [Mr. Dudley Ward : ] 143.]

Tellers for the [Mr. Griffiths, Noes, [Mr. Waterston : ] 45.]

Question put accordingly, That the word "sixty" stand part of the Question.

The Committee divided.

Tellers for the [Colonel Leslie Wilson, Yes, [Mr. Dudley Ward : ] 161.]

Tellers for the [Mr. Fred Hall, Noes, [Mr. Griffiths : ] 40.]

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Resolved, That for the purposes of any Act of the present Session to provide for the re-organisation and further regulation of railways, and the discharge of liabilities in connection with the possession of railways, and otherwise to amend the Law relating to railways, and to extend the duration of the Rates Advisory Committee, it is expedient to make provision for the payment, out of moneys provided by Parliament,—

(a) of a sum of sixty million pounds in satisfaction of claims which might have been made by railway companies in Great Britain for compensation under the Regulation of the Forces Act, 1871, or the Ministry of Transport Act, 1919, or otherwise arising out of, or in respect of, the possession by the Crown of the undertakings, railways, or plant of such railway companies, or in the exercise of the powers conferred by those Acts;

(b) of the expenses (including the remuneration of members and staff) of any tribunals which may be established by the said Act;

(c) of contributions by the Treasury to any pension or superannuation fund of which any officer or servant of a railway company transferred to the Minister of Transport may remain a member, and of allowances for the disturbance of officers and servants;

(d) of the expenses of the Rates Advisory Committee so long as the committee is continued in existence by the said Act.

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.

Mr. Pratt reported from the Committee on Housing (Scotland) [Grants] a Resolution, which was read, as follows:

That it is expedient to authorise the payment, out of moneys provided by Parliament, of grants under section one of the Housing (Additional Powers) Act, 1919, in respect of houses in Scotland completed, in the case of houses as respects which any assistance is provided by the Board of Agriculture for Scotland, within three years and six months, and in the case of any other houses within a two years and six months of the passing of that Act, or such further period, not exceeding four months, as the Scottish Board of Health may in any special case allow, and to limit the aggregate amount of such grants in respect of houses in Scotland.

The said Resolution, being read a second time, was agreed to.

Ordered, That a Bill be brought in upon the Housing said Resolution, and that Mr. Munro, the Lord Advocate, Mr. Solicitor General for Scotland, and Mr. Pratt, do prepare and bring in.
Mr. Pratt accordingly presented a Bill to make further provision for the construction of houses in Scotland, for the purpose of obtaining grants under section one of the Housing (Additional Powers) Act, 1919, and to limit the aggregate amount of such grants in respect of houses in Scotland: And the same was read the first time, and ordered to be read a second time upon Monday next; and to be printed.

Sir Philip Lloyd-Greame reported from the Committee on Overseas Trade [Credits and Insurances] a Resolution; which was read, as followeth:

That it is expedient to extend the Overseas Trade (Credits and Insurance) Act, 1920, to the giving of guarantees in connection with export transactions and to amend the said Act as regards the countries in respect of which it applies, and to authorise the payment out of moneys provided by Parliament of any sums required in connection with the giving of such guarantees, so, however, that the amounts outstanding at any time in respect of credits and guarantees shall not together exceed the amount now authorised under the said Act as regards credits, and of any expenses incurred by the Board of Trade by reason of such extension and amendment of the said Act as aforesaid.

The said Resolution, being read a second time, was agreed to.

Sir Philip Lloyd-Greame accordingly presented a Bill to extend the Overseas Trade (Credits and Insurance) Act, 1920, to the giving of guarantees in connection with export transactions, and otherwise to amend sections one and three of the Act: And the same was read the first time, and ordered to be read a second time upon Monday next; and to be printed.

The Order of the day being read, for receiving the Report from the Committee on Finance [Consolidated Fund];

Ordered, That the Report be received upon Monday next.

The Order of the day being read, for resuming the adjourned Debate on the Amendment which, upon the 25th day of May last, was proposed to be made to the First of the Resolutions which, upon the 2nd day of May last, were reported from the Committee of Supply of the 21st day of April last;

Ordered, That the Debate be further adjourned till Monday next.

The Order of the day being read, for taking into consideration the Twelfth of the Resolutions which, upon the 2nd day of May last, were reported from the Committee of Supply of the 21st day of April last;

Ordered, That the said Resolution be taken into consideration upon Monday next.

The Order of the day being read, for resuming the adjourned Debate on the Question proposed upon the 2nd day of May last, That this House doth agree with the Committee in the Third of the Resolutions, which were then reported from the Committee of Supply of the 21st day of April last;

Ordered, That the Debate be further adjourned till Monday next.

The Order of the day being read, for the Supply Committee of Ways and Means;

Resolved, That this House will, upon Monday next, resolve itself into the said Committee.

The Order of the day being read, for taking into consideration His Majesty's Message of the 30th day of May last relative to the Emergency Powers Act, 1920;

Ordered, That the said Message be taken into consideration upon Tuesday next.

The Order of the day being read, for taking into consideration the Public Health (Officers) (No. 2) Bill, as amended in the Standing Committee;

Ordered, That the Bill be taken into consideration tomorrow.

The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Prevention of Unemployment Bill;

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time upon Wednesday next.

And it being after half-past Eleven of the adjournment clock, Mr. Speaker adjourned the House without Question put, pursuant to the Standing Order, it being then one minute before Twelve of the clock, till tomorrow.
The House met at Twelve of the clock.

PRAYERS.

Ordered, That the Preston Corporation Bill [Lords], as amended in the Committee, be taken into consideration upon Thursday next.

The Wigan Corporation Bill was, according to Order, read a second time, and passed.

Ordered, That the Clerk do carry the Bill to the Lords, and desire their concurrence.

The Order of the day being read, for taking into consideration the Lochaber Water Power Bill, as amended in the Committee;

Ordered, That the Bill be taken into consideration upon Monday next.

The House, according to Order, proceeded to take into consideration the North Staffordshire Railway Bill, as amended in the Committee; and Amendments were made to the Bill.

Ordered, That the Bill be read the third time.

The Ministry of Health Provisional Orders (Water) 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 Marriages Provisional Order Bill was, according to Order, read a second time, and committed.

The Pilotage Provisional Orders (No. 3) Bill was, according to Order, read a second time, and committed.

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 Ministry of Health Provisional Orders (No. 4) Bill, as amended in the Committee.

Ordered, That the Bill be read the third time upon Monday next.

The House, according to Order, proceeded to take into consideration the Ministry of Health Provisional Orders (No. 5) Bill, as amended in the Committee.

Ordered, That the Bill be read the third time upon Monday next.

The Ministry of Health Provisional Orders (No. 6) Bill was, according to Order, read a second time, and committed.

The Ministry of Health Provisional Orders (No. 7) Bill was, according to Order, read a second time, and committed.

The Ministry of Health Provisional Orders (No. 8) Bill was, according to Order, read a second time, and committed.

The Ministry of Health Provisional Orders (No. 9) Bill was, according to Order, read a second time, and committed.

The Ministry of Health Provisional Orders (Aberavon, Neath, and Swansea Extension) Bill was, according to Order, read a second time, and committed.

The Ministry of Health Provisional Order (Cardiff Extension) Bill was, according to Order, read a second time, and committed.

The Ministry of Health Provisional Order (Newark Extension) Bill was, according to Order, read a second time, and committed.

The Ministry of Health Provisional Order (Shaftenbury Extension) Bill was, according to Order, read a second time, and committed.

The Ministry of Health Provisional Order (Stoke-on-Trent Extension) Bill was, according to Order, read a second time, and committed.

The Ministry of Health Provisional Order (Taunton Extension) Bill was, according to Order, read a second time, and committed.

The Ministry of Health Provisional Order (Rotherham and Sheffield Extension) Bill was, according to Order, read a second time, and committed.

The Hamilton Water and Gas Provisional Order Bill was, according to Order, read a second time and ordered under Section 9 of the Private Legislation Procedure (Scotland) Act, 1899, to be taken into consideration upon Monday next.

The Pier and Harbour Provisional Orders Pier and Harbour Provisional Orders (No. 1) Bill was, according to Order, read a second time, and committed.

The Pier and Harbour Provisional Orders Pier and Harbour Provisional Orders (No. 2) 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. Cecil Harmsworth presented, by His Majesty's Treaty Series, Majesty's Command,—Copy of Agreement between Great Britain and Norway relating to the suppression of the Capitulations in Egypt Christiania, 22nd April 1921.

Ordered, That the said Paper do lie upon the Table.

Mr. Baldwin presented, by His Majesty's Command,—Copy of Report on the Electrical Cable Industry by a Sub-Committee appointed by the Standing Committee on Trusts under the Profiteering Acts.

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Friday, 3rd June 1921.
Mr. Baldwin also presented, pursuant to the directions of an Act of Parliament,—Copies of Reports on applications by the Penistone and District Gas Company;
West Surrey Water Company, to the Board of Trade under the Public Utility Companies (Capital Issues) Act, 1920.

Ordered, That the said Papers do lie upon the Table.

Mr. Secretary Churchill presented, by His Majesty's Command,—Copy of Vital Statistics of non-Native Officials in West Africa. Returns for 1920.

Ordered, That the said Paper do lie upon the Table.

The following Paper, pursuant to the directions of an Act of Parliament, was laid upon the Table by the Clerk of the House:—Copy of Statement of Receipts and Expenditure of the Conservators of the River Medway for the year ended 31st March 1921.

Sir Samuel Roberts reported from the Committee of Selection; That they had discharged the following Member from Standing Committee A:—Major Barnes.

Standing Committee D.

Sir Samuel Roberts further reported from the Committee; That they had discharged the following Member from Standing Committee B:—Captain Gee; and had appointed in substitution: Mr. Seddon.

Ordered, That the said Paper do lie upon the Table.

The House, according to Order, proceeded to take into consideration the Performing Animals (Prohibition) Bill, as amended in the Standing Committee.
Amendments were made to the Bill.

Another Amendment was proposed to be made to the Bill, in p. 1, l. 23, by leaving out from the word "tournaments" to the end of l. 26.—(Lieutenant-Commander Kenworthy.)

And the Question being put, That the words proposed to be left out stand part of the Bill;
The House divided.
The Yeas to the Right;
The Noes to the Left.

Tellers for the Yeas, Mr. O'Grady; 69.
Tellers for the Noes, Mr. Seddon; 60.

So it was resolved in the Affirmative.

Another Amendment was proposed to be made to the Bill in p. 1, l. 26, by inserting at the end thereof the words "nor to the use of animals for the purposes of sport."—(Colonel Guinness).

And the Question being proposed, That those words be there inserted in the Bill:—The said proposed Amendment was, with leave of the House, withdrawn.

A Motion was made, and the Question being proposed, That further consideration of the Bill, as amended, be now adjourned.—(Lieutenant-Commander Kenworthy).—The said Motion was, with leave of the House, withdrawn.

A Motion was made, and the Question being put, That the Bill be now read the third time:—It passed in the Negative.

The House, according to Order, proceeded to consider the Corn Sales Bill, as amended in the Standing Committee.

And Amendments were made to the Bill.

A Motion was made, and the Question being proposed, That the Bill be now read the third time:

An Amendment was proposed to be made to the Question, by leaving out the word "now," and, at the end of the Question, adding the words "upon this day three months."—(Mr. Inskip.)

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. Lane Fox, 113.
Tellers for the Noes, Sir Henry Craik, 18.

So it was resolved in the Affirmative.

The Bill was read the third time and passed.

Ordered, That the Clerk do carry the Bill to the Lords, and desire their concurrence.

The House, according to Order, proceeded to take into consideration the Diseases of Animals Act (1910) Amendment Bill, as amended in the Standing Committee.

Ordered, That the Bill be now read the third time:—The Bill was accordingly read the third time and passed.

Ordered, That the Clerk do carry the Bill to the Lords, and desire their concurrence.

The House, according to Order, proceeded to take into consideration the Diseases of Animals Act (1910) Amendment Bill:

An Amendment was made to the Bill.

Another Amendment was proposed to be made to the Bill, in p. 1, l. 11, by inserting at the end thereof the words,—

"This section applies to—

(a) the medical officer of health of a county borough where any portion of the salary of the medical officer was paid out of moneys voted by Parliament before it was constituted a county borough;

(b) the medical officer of health of a county district any portion of whose salary is paid out of the county fund of the county in which the district is situate and charged to the exchequer contribution account.”

—(Sir Philip Magnus.)

And the Question being put, That those words be there inserted in the Bill;
The House divided.
The Yeas to the Right;
The Noes to the Left.

Tellers for the Yeas, Sir Philip Magnus; 100.
Tellers for the Noes, Mr. John; 17.

So it was resolved in the Affirmative.
Another Amendment was proposed to be made to the Bill, in p. 1, l. 12, by leaving out the words "in cases to which this sub-section applies the," and inserting the word "a,"—(Mr. John).—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.

Orderd, That the Bill be now read the third time:—The Bill was accordingly read the third time and passed.

Orderd, 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 Trade Disputes Bill;

Orderd, That the Bill be read a second time upon Friday next.

The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Dogs' Protection Bill;

And a Motion being made, and the Question being proposed, That the Bill be now read a second time:—And a Debate arising thereupon;

And it being Five of the clock, the Debate stood adjourned.

Orderd, That the Debate be resumed upon Friday next.

The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Protection of Women, and Young Persons, &c., Bill;

Orderd, That the Bill be read a second time upon Monday next.

The Order of the day being read, for receiving the Report from the Committee on Railways [Money];

Orderd, That the Report be received upon Monday next.

Whereupon Mr. Speaker adjourned the House without Question put, pursuant to Standing Order No. 3, it being then one minute after Five of the clock, till Monday next.

The Ministry of Health Provisional Orders Ministry of Health Provisional Orders (No. 4) Bill was, according to Order, read the third time and passed.

Orderd, That the Clerk do carry the Bill to the Lords, and desire their concurrence.

The Ministry of Health Provisional Orders Ministry of Health Provisional Orders (No. 5) Bill was, according to Order, read the third time and passed.

Orderd, 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 Hamilton Water and Gas Provisional Order Bill;

Orderd, That the Bill be read the third time to-morrow.

Mr. Amery presented, pursuant to the directions of several Acts of Parliament,—Accounts of the Receipt and Expenditure of the Capital and of the Income derived from the Lands and other property held for the benefit of Greenwich Hospital, and the Foundation of Samuel Travers, Esquire, for the year ended 31st March 1920; with the Report of the Comptroller and Auditor General thereon.

Copy of Statement of the Expenditure for Greenwich Hospital for the year 1919-20 in Hospital, excess of the approved Estimate. No. 133.

Orderd, That the said Papers do lie upon the Table; and be printed.

Mr. Baldwin presented, by His Majesty's Profiteering Command,—Copy of Report on Slates prepared Acts.

by a Sub-Committee appointed by the Standing Committee on the Investigation of Prices and Trusts under the Profiteering Acts.

Copy of Report on Uniform Clothing pre-Profiteering prepared by a Sub-Committee appointed by the Acts.

Standing Committee on Trusts under the Profiteering Acts.

Orderd, That the said Papers do lie upon the Table.

Dr. Macnamara presented, pursuant to the directions of an Act of Parliament,—Copy of the Unemployment Insurance (Benefit) (Amendment) Regulations, 1921, made by the Minister of Labour on 27th May 1921, under the Unemployment Insurance Act, 1920.

Orderd, That the said Paper do lie upon the Table.

12 Geo. V. 3rd—6th June.

The Mid-Glamorgan Water Board Bill Mid—Glamorgan Water Board Bill [Lords] was read a second time, and committed.

Ordered, That the South Shields Corporation Water Bill [Lords] be read a second time to-morrow.

The Order of the day being read, for taking into consideration the Lochaber Water Power Bill, as amended in the Committee;

Ordered, That the Bill be taken into consideration upon Thursday next, at a quarter of an hour after Eight of the clock.

The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the County of London Electric Supply Company Bill [Lords];

Ordered, That the Bill be a read a second time upon Monday next.

The Order of the day being read, for the Third Reading of the Mid-Glamorgan Water Board Bill;

Ordered, That the said Paper do lie upon the Table; and be printed.
Voluntary Hospitals Committee.

Sir Alfred Mond presented, by His Majesty’s Command,—Copy of Final Report to the Ministry of Health of the Voluntary Hospitals Committee.

Ordered, That the said Paper do lie upon the Table.

Destructive Insects and Pests Acts.

Sir Arthur Griffith-Boscawen presented, pursuant to the directions of an Act of Parliament,—Copy of Order, dated 31st May 1921, made under the Destructive Insects and Pests Acts, establishing the Sale of Diseased Plants Order, 1921.

Ordered, That the said Paper do lie upon the Table.

Bolshevism and Sinn Fein.

Sir Hamar Greenwood presented, by His Majesty’s Command,—Copy of Memorandum relative to intercourse between Bolshevism and Sinn Fein.

Intermediate Education (Ireland.)

Sir Hamar Greenwood also presented, pursuant to the directions of several Acts of Parliament,—Copy of Rule amending Rule 10 (e) (2) of the Rules of the Intermediate Education Board for Ireland for 1921.

Ordered, That the said Paper do lie upon the Table.

County Courts (England.)

Mr. Hilton Young presented, pursuant to the directions of various Acts of Parliament,—Copy of Treasury Order, dated 29th April 1921, regulating Fees in County Courts.

Public Works Loan Board.


Ordered, That the said Papers do lie upon the Table; and that the Paper relative to the Public Works Loan Board be printed.

Post Office (International Postage Rates.)

Mr. Kellock presented, by His Majesty’s Command,—Copy of comparison between the United Kingdom and certain Foreign Countries with regard to International Postage Rates.

Ordered, That the said Paper do lie upon the Table.

Public Record Office.

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 and Regulations made by the Master of the Rolls respecting the public use of the Records in the Public Record Office.

Selection (Standing Committee.)

Standing Committee D:—Major William Murray; and had appointed in substitution; Mr. Hard.

Standing Committee D.

Sir Samuel Roberts further reported from the Committee; that they had discharged the following Member from Standing Committee D:—Mr. Odrell.

Ordered, That the Reports do lie upon the Table.

Captain Starkey reported from the Committee Private Bills on Group E of Private Bills; that, for the convenience of parties, the Committee had adjourned till Wednesday next, at Eleven of the clock.

Ordered, That the Report do lie upon the Table.

The Order for reading a second time, to—Disease of morrow, the Agriculture Amendment Bill, was read, and discharged.

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time upon Tuesday the 14th day of this instant June.

The Order of the day being read, for the Safeguarding Second Reading of the Safeguarding of Industries Bill;

And a Motion being made, and the Question being proposed, That the Bill be now read a second time;

An Amendment was proposed to be made to the Question, by leaving out the word “now,” and, at the end of the Question, adding the words “upon this day three months.”—(Sir Donald Maclean.)

And the Question being proposed, That the word “now” stand part of the Question;

And a Debate arising thereupon;

And a Motion being made, and the Question being put, That the Debate be now adjourned—(Mr. George Terrell):—It was resolved in the Affirmative.

Ordered, That the Debate be resumed to-morrow.

The Order of the day being read, for the Ways and Means;

Resolved, That this House will, to-morrow, resolve itself into the said Committee.

The Order of the day being read, for receiving Finance the Report from the Committee on Finance [Consolidated Fund];

Ordered, That the Report be received to-morrow.

The Order of the day being read, for receiving Railways the Report from the Committee on Railways [Money];

Ordered, That the Report be received to-morrow.

The Order of the day being read, for resuming supply the adjourned Debate on the Amendment which, [24th May] upon the 25th day of May last, was proposed to be made to the First of the Resolutions which were then reported from the Committee of Supply of the 24th day of May last;

Ordered, That the Debate be further adjourned till to-morrow.

The Order of the day being read, for taking Supply into consideration the Second and subsequent [26th May] Resolutions which, upon the 25th day of
The Order of the day being read, for resuming the adjourned Debate on the Question proposed upon the 2nd day of May last, That an humble Address be presented to His Majesty thanking His Majesty for His Most Gracious Message communicating to this House His Majesty's intentions with respect to the Reserve Forces; Ordered, That the Debate be further adjourned till Monday next.

The Order of the day being read, for taking into consideration the Twelfth of the Resolutions which, upon the 2nd day of May last, were reported from the Committee of Supply of the 21st day of April last; Ordered, That the said Resolution be taken into consideration upon Monday next.

The Order of the day being read, for taking into consideration the Third of the Resolutions which were then reported from the Committee of Supply of the 21st day of April last; Ordered, That the Debate be further adjourned till Monday next.

The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Electricity (Supply) (Scotland) Bill; Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time upon Monday next.

The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Housing (Scotland) Bill; Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time upon Monday next.

The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Capital Punishment (limitations) Bill; Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time upon Monday next.

The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Public Defender Bill; Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time upon Monday next.

And then the House, having continued to Adjourn, sit till one minute after Eleven of the clock, adjourned till to-morrow.

Tuesday, 7th June 1921.

The House met at a quarter of an hour before Three of the clock.

PRAYERS.

A MOTION being made, That the North Staffordshire Railway Bill be now read the third time; And notice being taken that the interest of His Majesty, as Duke of Lancaster, is concerned therein; Sir Alfred Mond, by His Majesty's Command, acquainted the House that His Majesty, having been informed of the purport of the Bill, gives His Consent, as far as His Majesty's interest...
is concerned, that the House may do therein as they shall think fit.

Then the Bill was read the third time and passed.

Ordered, That the Clerk do carry the Bill to the Lords, and desire their concurrence.

The House proceeded to take into consideration the Rotherham Corporation Bill, as amended in the Committee.

Ordered, That the Bill be read the third time.

The Liverpool Corporation Bill [Lords] was, according to Order, read a second time, and committed.

The South Shields Corporation Bill [Lords] was, according to Order, read a second time, and committed.

The Hamilton Water and Gas Provisional Order Bill was, according to Order, read the third time and passed.

Ordered, That the Clerk do carry the Bill to the Lords, and desire their concurrence.

Sir Hamar Greenwood presented, by His Majesty's Command,—Copy of Return of serious outrages in Ireland reported by the Royal Irish Constabulary and the Dublin Metropolitan Police during the period from 2nd January 1921 to 2nd April 1921.

Ordered, That the said Paper do lie upon the Table.

Sir Arthur Griffith-Bowers presented, pursuant to the directions of an Act of Parliament,—Copy of Order, dated 1st June 1921, made by the Minister of Agriculture and Fisheries under the Diseases of Animals Acts, authorising the landing of one Antelope in the Port of Southampton.

Ordered, That the said Paper do lie upon the Table.

Ministry of Pensions
Agreed Instructions as to Documents

Mr. Secretary Shortt presented, by His Majesty's Command,—Copy of Report to the Secretary of State for the Home Department, by the Committee appointed to inquire into and report upon the circumstances surrounding the alleged instructions as to destruction of documents in the Ministry of Pensions.

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 Order made under the Shops Acts, 1912, by the Council of the aforementioned Local Authority, and confirmed (with amendments) by the Secretary for Scotland:

City and Royal Burgh of Dunedee.

Ordered, That the said Paper do lie upon the Table.

Mr. Secretary Churchill presented, pursuant to the directions of an Act of Parliament,—Copy of Return of Pensions granted to Governors of Dominions, &c., during the financial year 1920-21.

Ordered, That the said Paper do lie upon the Table.

Mr. Baldwin presented, by His Majesty's Wholesome Food Markets Command—Copy of Fourth, Fifth, and Final Reports of the Experiment Committee on the Wholesale Food Markets of London.

Ordered, That the said Paper do lie upon the Table.

Mr. William Nicholas reported from Standing Committee A, to whom the Police Pensions Bill was referred; That they had gone through the Bill and made Amendments thereunto; and had amended the Title, as follows:—A Bill to consolidate and amend the law respecting the retirement, pensions, allowances, and gratuities of members of police forces in Great Britain, and their widows, children and dependants.

Ordered, That the Report do lie upon the Table; and be printed.

Ordered, That the Minutes of the Proceedings of the Standing Committee be printed.

Ordered, That the Bill, as amended in the Standing Committee, be taken into consideration upon Monday next; and be printed.

Mr. Turton reported from Standing Committee B, to whom the Dentists Bill was referred; That they had gone through the Bill and made Amendments thereunto.

Ordered, That the Report do lie upon the Table; and be printed.

Ordered, That the Minutes of the Proceedings of the Standing Committee be printed.

Ordered, That the Bill, as amended in the Standing Committee, be taken into consideration upon Monday next; and be printed.

Sir William Middleton reported from the Local Legislation Committee (Section A); That in the case of the Batley Corporation Bill they had agreed to the following Report:—That in pursuance of the Resolution of the House of the 1st day of this instant June, the Committee had inserted in the Bill the additional provision referred to in the said Resolution.

Sir William Middleton further reported from the Committee; That they had examined the allegations contained in the Preamble of the Bill, and amended the same so as to make it consistent with the provisions of the Bill as passed by the Committee, as 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.

Six Samuel Roberts reported from the Committee of Selection; That they had added the following Members to Standing Committee A (in respect of the Agriculture (Amendment) Bill) [Standing Committee A (Lords)]:—Captain FitzRoy and Mr. Charles Williams.

Sir Samuel Roberts further reported from the Standing Committee B: That they had discharged the following Members from Standing Committee B (during the consideration of the Railways Bill):—Captain Bonner, Major Bruce, Sir James Bruden, Mr. Neville Chamberlain, Mr. Grant, Mr. Grundy, Mr. Halls, Major Hamilton, Mr. Sidney Robson, Colonel Dalrymple White, Colonel Sir Robert Williams, and Sir Matthew Wilson; and had appointed in substitution: Mr. David Davies, Captain Evans, Mr. Hannon, Mr. Jusip, Colonel Sir Henry Nield, Mr. Grose, Colonel Roundell, Mr. Spencer, Mr. Stevens, Colonel Lambert Ward, and Mr. Wignall.
The Order of the day being read, for resuming Supply the adjourned Debate on the Amendment, which, upon the 20th day of May last, was proposed to be made to the First of the Resolutions which were then reported from the Committee of Supply of the 24th day of May last:

Ordered, That the Debate be further adjourned till to-morrow.

The Order of the day being read, for taking Supply into consideration the Second and subsequent Resolutions which, upon the 24th day of May last, were reported from the Committee of Supply of the 24th day of May last:

Ordered, That the said Resolutions be taken into consideration to-morrow.

The Order of the day being read, for receiving Supply the Report from the Committee of Supply of the 12th day of May last:

Ordered, That the Report be received to-morrow.

The Order of the day being read, for the supply.

Committee of Supply;

Resolved, That this House will, to-morrow, resolve itself into the said Committee.

The Order of the day being read, for the Housing Second Reading of the Housing (Scotland) (Scotland) (No. 2) Bill:

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time to-morrow.

The Order of the day being read, for the Overseas Trade Second Reading of the Overseas Trade (Credits and Insurance) Amendment Bill:

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time to-morrow.

The Order of the day being read, for taking the Bill into consideration the Tithe Annuities Appropriation Bill, as amended in the Standing Committee:

Ordered, That the Bill be taken into consideration upon Friday next.

The Order of the day being read, for the Protection of Animals (Scotland) Act (1912) Amendment Bill, not amended in the Standing Committee. Amendment Bill

Ordered, That the Bill be read the third time to-morrow.

The Order of the day being read, for taking the Bill into consideration the Coroners (Remuneration) Bill, as amended in the Standing Committee:

Ordered, That the Bill be taken into consideration upon Friday next.

The Order of the day being read, for the Local Second Reading of the Local Authorities (Disqualification Removal) Bill:

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time upon Tuesday next.

And then the House, having continued to Adjournment, sit till twenty-seven minutes after Eleven of the clock, adjourned till to-morrow.
Ordered, That the said Papers do lie upon the Table.

Mr. Baldwin presented, pursuant to the directions of several Acts of Parliament,—Copy of the University of London Act, 1898, by the Senate of the University on the 25th May, 1921, amending Statute 108 of the University.

Copy of Three Orders in Council, dated 27th May, 1921, approving Memorials of the Lords Commissioners of the Admiralty under the Naval and Marine Pay and Pensions Act, 1885.

Copy of Order in Council under the Naval and Marine Pay and Pensions Act, 1885, dated 27th May, 1921, further amending the provisions of the Bill, and found the same so as to make it consistent with the provisions of the Bill as passed by the Committee, and had gone through the Bill and made Amendments thereunto.

Ordered, That the Report do lie upon the Table; and be printed.

Colonel Beale reported the North Eastern Railway Bill [Lords], with Amendments, for Bill.

Ordered, That the Report do lie upon the Table; and be printed.

Ordered, That the Increase of Rent (Restrictions) Bill be read a second time to-morrow.

Mr. John William Wilson reported from the Standing Select Committee on Standing Orders several Resolutions; which were read, as follow:

1. That in the case of the Slough Trading Suckling Trading Company, Limited (Canal [Lords]), Petition Company, for Bill, the Standing Orders ought to be dispensed with; that the parties be permitted to [Lords] proceed with their Bill.

2. That in the case of the Londonderry Corporation Bridge [Lords], Petition Bridge, the Standing Orders ought to be dispensed with; [Lords] that the parties be permitted to proceed with their Bill.

The said Resolutions, being read a second time, were agreed to.

The Chairman of Ways and Means reported from the Committee on the Pilotage Provisional Orders (No. 4) Bill; That they had considered the Orders therein contained; that the said Orders ought to be confirmed; and that they had directed him to report the Bill, without Amendment, to the House.

Ordered, That the Report do lie upon the Table.

Ordered, That the Bill be read the third time to-morrow.
Local Government (Ireland) Provisional Orders Bill. [Provisional Orders confirmed.]

The Chairman of Ways and Means reported from the Committee on the Local Government (Ireland) Provisional Orders Bill; that they had considered the Orders therein contained; that the said Orders ought to be confirmed; and that they had directed him to report the Bill, with an Amendment, to the House.

Ordered, That the Report do lie upon the Table.

Ordered, That the Bill, as amended in the Committee, be taken into consideration to-morrow.

The Chairman of Ways and Means reported from the Committee on the Coventry Corporation Bill; that in pursuance of the Resolution of the House of the 20th day of April last, the additional provision referred to in such Resolution had been inserted in the Bill.

The Chairman of Ways and Means further reported from the Committee; that they had examined the allegations contained in the Preamble of the Bill, and amended the same so as to make it consistent with the provisions of the Bill as passed by the Committee, and found the same, as amended, to be true; and had gone through the Bill and made Amendments thereof.

Ordered, That the Report do lie upon the Table; and be printed.

The Chairman of Ways and Means reported from the Committee on the Eastbourne Waterworks Bill [Lords.] 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 thereof.

Ordered, That the Report do lie upon the Table; and be printed.

A Motion was made, and the Question being proposed, that leave be given to bring in a Bill to vary the rates of contributions and the rates and periods of benefit under the Unemployment Insurance Acts, 1920 and 1921, and otherwise to amend those Acts: And the same was read the first time, and ordered to be read a second time to-morrow; and to be printed.

The House divided.

The Yeas to the Right:

The Noes to the Left.

Tellers for the [Colonel Leslie Wilson, Yeas, [Mr. McCurdy; } 240.

Tellers for the [Dr. Murray, Noes, [Major Watts Morgan; } 64.

So it was resolved in the Affirmative.

The Housing Scotland) (No. 2) Bill was, according to Order, read a second time, and committed to a Standing Committee.

The Overseas Trade (Credits and Insurance) Amendment Bill was, according to Order, read a second time, and committed to a Standing Committee.

The House, according to Order, resolved itself into the Committee of Ways and Means.

Audit Stamp Duty.

Resolved, That the stamp duty chargeable on local authorities in respect of the audit of their accounts by district auditors shall, instead of being charged according to the existing scale be charged according to a scale which shall be fixed by the Treasury after consultation with the Minister of Health, and shall be such as to secure that the duties levied shall be sufficient to meet the costs incurred in respect of the remuneration, including superannuation allowances and the expenses of district auditors—(Mr. Hilton Young.)

Resolution to be reported.

Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair; and the Deputy Chairman reported, That the Committee had come to a Resolution.

Ordered, That the Report be received tomorrow.

The Deputy Chairman also acquainted the House that he was directed to move, That the Committee may have leave to sit again.

Resolved, That this House will, to-morrow, again resolve itself into the said Committee.

The Order of the day being read, for resuming the adjourned Debate on the Amendment which, upon the 25th day of May last, was proposed to be made to the First of the Resolutions which were then reported from the Committee of Supply of the 24th day of May last, That a sum not exceeding £3,856,600 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 therefore, which will come in course of payment during the year ending on the 31st day of March 1922;
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Sir John Baird reported from the Committee on Railways on Railways [Money] a Resolution; which was [Rspv.]
read, as followeth:

That for the purposes of any Act of the present Session to provide for the re-organisation and further regulation of railways, and the discharge of liabilities in connection with the possession of railways, and otherwise to amend the Law relating to railways, and to extend the duration of the Rates Advisory Committee, it is expedient to make provision for the payment, out of moneys provided by Parliament,—

(a) of a sum of sixty million pounds in satisfaction of claims which might have been made by railway companies in Great Britain for compensation under the Regulation of the Forces Act, 1871, or the Ministry of Transport Act, 1919, or otherwise arising out of, or in respect of, the possession by the Crown of the undertakings, railroads, or plant of such railway companies, or in the exercise of the powers conferred by those Acts;

(b) of the expenses (including the remuneration of members and staff) of any tribunals which may be established by the said Act;

(c) of contributions by the Treasury to any pension or superannuation fund to which any officer or servant of a railway company transferred to the Minister of Transport may remain a member, and of allowances for the disturbance of officers and servants;

(d) of the expenses of the Rates Advisory Committee so long as the committee is continued in existence by the said Act.

The said Resolution, being read a second time;

And a Motion being made, and the Question being put, That this House doth agree with the Committee in the said Resolution.

The House divided.

The Noes to the Right;

Tellers for the [Mr. McCurdy;]

Mr. Leslie Wilson, [143.]

Yea, [Mr. Dudley Ward;]

Tellers for the [Colonel Leslie Wilson,]

Mr. Giffiths, [46.]

Noes, [Mr. Tyson Wilson;]

So it was resolved in the Affirmative.

The Fourth Resolution, That a sum not exceeding £89,000 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 1922, being read a second time, was agreed to.

The Third Resolution, That a sum not exceeding £280,000 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 1922, being read a second time, was agreed to.

The Second Resolution, That a sum not exceeding £7,821,000 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 1922, being read a second time, was agreed to.

Mr. Neal reported from the Committee on Finance [Consolidated Fund] a Resolution; which was read, as followeth:

That it is expedient for the purpose of any Act of the present Session to make provision for the financial arrangements of the year—

1. To authorise the issue out of the Consolidated Fund of such sums as may be required for the purpose of any sinking fund to be established in connection with the three and one-half per cent. Conversion Loan redeemable in nineteen hundred and sixty-one.

2. To charge on the Consolidated Fund—

(a) the principal and interest of any securities which may be issued under section sixty of the Finance Act, 1916; and

(b) any sums which may be required for the expenses of the exchange of securities under the said section or of the cancellation of any securities issued thereunder; 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 so issued.

3. That—

(a) the following amounts outstanding in respect of advances made out of the Civil
The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Protection of Unemployment Bill:

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time upon Monday next.

And it being after half past Eleven of Adjournment, the clock on Wednesday evening, Mr. Speaker adjourned the House without Question put, pursuant to the Standing Order, it being then twenty-four minutes before One of the clock on Thursday morning, till this day.

[No. 73.]

Thursday, 9th June 1921.

The House met at a quarter of an hour before Three of the clock.

PRAYERS.

The Cardiff Gas Bill was read the third time and passed.

Ordered, That the Clerk do carry the Bill to the Lords, and desire their concurrence.

The Order of the day being read, for taking into consideration the Preston Corporation Bill [Lords], as amended in the Committee;

Ordered, That the Bill be taken into consideration upon Monday next.

The Pilotage Provisional Orders (No. 4) Bill was, according to Order, read the third time and passed.

Ordered, That the Clerk do carry the Bill to the Lords, and desire their concurrence.

The House, according to Order, proceeded to Local Government (Ireland) Provisional Orders Bill, as amended in the Committee.

Ordered, That the Bill be read the third time to-morrow.

Mr. Bridgeyman presented,—Return to an Adjournment Order, dated the 8th day of March last, for a Return relative to Coal Output (Monthly Statistics).

Ordered, That the said Return do lie upon the Table; and be printed.

Mr. Baldwin presented, by His Majesty's Protesting Command,—Copy of Report on the Repairing of Boots, Shoes, and Footwear, prepared by a Sub-Committee appointed by the Standing Committee on the Investigation of Prices under the Profiteering Acts.

Ordered, That the said Paper do lie upon the Table.

Six Arthur Griffith-Rossew presented, by Agriculture His Majesty's Command,—Copy of Report of (Unemployment the Committee appointed by the Agricultural Wages Board on Unemployment Insurance in Agriculture.

Ordered, That the said Paper do lie upon the Table.
Air Ministry
(Deportment of Civil Aviation.)

Mr. Secretary Gaunt presented, by His Majesty’s Command,—Copy of Half-yearly Report on the Progress of Civil Aviation for the period 1st October 1920 to 31st March 1921.

Ordered, That the said Paper do lie upon the Table.

Admiralty
(Naval Staff.)

Mr. Amery presented, by His Majesty’s Command,—Copy of Statement of the distribution of the duties of the Naval Staff.

Ordered, That the said Paper do lie upon the Table.

Secretary Sir Laming Worthington-Evans presented, pursuant to the directions of an Act of Parliament,—Copy of Amendments to the Rules of Procedure under Section 70 of the Army Act.

Ordered, That the said Paper do lie upon the Table.

Agricultural
Prices
(Ireland.)

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 5 years, 10 years, 15 years, 20 years, and 25 years, and for the period of 6 years from 1909; such Prices to be compiled from the Returns of Prices of crops, live stock, and other Irish agricultural products heretofore published from time to time by the Irish Land Commission, or the Department of Agriculture and Technical Instruction for Ireland, or from other information in the possession of those departments.—(Colonel Newman.)

Ultimus Heres
(Account and List of Estates.)

Ordered, That there be laid before this House a Return of Abstract Account of the Receipts and Payments of the King’s and Lord Treasurer’s Remembrancer in Scotland, in the year ended the 31st day of December 1920, 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 Heres in Scotland, administered by the King’s and Lord Treasurer’s Remembrancer in the same year.—(Mr. Hilton Young.)

Captain Starkey reported from the Committee on the Lancashire County Council (Drainage) 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.

Private Bills
(Group E.)

Captain Starkey reported from the Committee on Group E of Private Bills; That, for the convenience of parties, the Committee had adjourned till Monday the 13th day of this instant June, at Twelve of the clock.

Ordered, That the Report do lie upon the Table.

Minister of Health
Provincial Orders
(No.1 Bill)

Mr. Speaker acquainted the House, That a Message had been brought from the Lords by one of their Clerks, as followeth:—

The Lords have agreed to the Ministry of Health Provisional Orders (No. 1) Bill, without any Amendment.

The Lords have agreed to the Ministry of Health Provisional Orders (No. 2) Bill, without any Amendment.

The Lords have agreed to the Ministry of Health Provisional Orders (No. 3) Bill, without any Amendment.

The Lords have agreed to the Health Resorts and Watering Places Bill, with Amendments, to which the Lords desire the concurrence of this House.

The Lords have agreed to the Cambridge University and Town Waterworks Bill, with Amendments; to which the Lords desire the concurrence of this House.

The Lords have passed a Bill, intituled An Act to confirm a Provisional Order of the Minister of Health relating to Dover; to which the Lords desire the concurrence of this House.

The Lords have passed a Bill, intituled An Act to confirm a Provisional Order of the Minister of Health relating to Dover; to which the Lords desire the concurrence of this House.

The Lords have agreed to the Ministry of Health Provisional Order (Dover Extension) Bill [Lords] was read the first time.

Ordered, That the Bill be referred to the Examiners of Petitions for Private Bills.

Sir Samuel Roberts reported from the Committee on Selection; That they had discharged the following Member from the Joint Committee of Lords and Commons on Gas and Water Bills:—Mr. Alfred Yeo and had appointed in substitution:—Mr. Catry.

Ordered, That the Report do lie upon the Table.

The Law of Property Bill [Lords] was read the first time, and ordered to be read a second time upon Monday next; and to be printed.

James Malcolm Monteith Erskine, Esquire, Member for the Borough of Westminster (St. George’s division), was sworn.

Mr. Walter Smith, supported by Mr. Cape, Mr. William Graham, Mr. Griffiths, Mr. Hodgson, Lieutenant-Commander Kennaway, Mr. Myers, Mr. Spoon, Mr. Trevor, Mr. Westall, Mr. Wignall, and Mr. Young Wilson, presented a Bill to provide for the nationalisation of land in Great Britain and the abolition of private property therein; And the same was ordered to be read a second time upon Thursday the 23rd day of this instant June; 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, 1921-22.

Revenue Departments.

Motion made, and Question proposed, That a sum not exceeding £40,165,287 be granted to His Majesty, to complete the sum necessary to defray the charge which will come in course of payment during the year ending on the 31st day of March 1922 for the Salaries and Expenses of the Post Office, including Telegraphs and Telephones:

Whereupon Motion made, and Question proposed, That a sum not exceeding £40,165,187, be granted for the said Service.—(Mr. Alfred Short.)
And it being a quarter-past Eight of the clock, and there being Private Business set down by direction of the Chairman of Ways and Means under Standing Order No. 8, further Proceeding was postponed without Question put.

The House, according to Order, proceeded to take into consideration the Lochaber Water Power Bill, as amended in the Committee.

A Clause was offered to be added to the Bill (Rights in respect of water power from River Spey for electricity purposes of county of Banff and counties of Moray and Nairn).—(Mr. Charles Barrie.)

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 divided.

Tellers for the 48.

Sir Archibald Williamson, Mr. Charles Barrie

Tellers for the 193.

Dr. Murray, Mr. Hugh Morrison

So it passed in the Negative.

Ordered, That the Bill be read the third time.

Postponed Proceeding on Question proposed on consideration of Question, That a sum not exceeding £10,165,287 be granted to His Majesty, to complete the sum necessary to defray the charge which will come in course of payment during the year ending on the 31st day of March 1922 for the Salaries and Expenses of the Post Office, including Telegraphs and Telephones, resumed.

Question put, That a sum not exceeding £185,187, be granted for the said Service.

The Committee divided.

Tellers for the 118.

Mr. Griffiths, Mr. Neil Maclean

Tellers for the 196.

Mr. McCurdy, Colonel Leslie Wilson

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, upon Monday next, again resolve itself into the said Committee.

The Order of the day being read, for receiving the Report from the Committee of Supply of the 12th day of May last;

Ordered, That the Report be received upon Monday next.

The Order of the day being read, for taking into consideration the Fifth and subsequent Resolutions which, upon the 25th day of May last, were reported from the Committee of Supply of the 24th day of May last.

R. B. N.
[No. 74.]

Friday, 10th June 1921.

The House met at Twelve of the clock.

PRAYERS.

Rotherham Corporation Bill was read the third time and passed.

Ordered, That the Clerk do carry the Bill to the Lords, and desire their concurrence.

Swansea Gas Bill.

The House proceeded to take into consideration the Swansea Gas Bill, as amended in the Committee;

Ordered, That the Bill be read the third time.

Local Government (Ireland) 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.

Ministry of Health Provisional Order (Dover Extension) Bill [Lords];—be printed.

Housing, Town Planning, &c. (Scotland) Act, 1919.

Mr. Pratt presented, pursuant to the directions of an Act of Parliament,—Copy of Regulations, dated 6th May, 1921, made by the Scottish Board of Health, with the approval of the Treasury, under Sections 5(1) and 16 of the Housing, Town Planning, &c. (Scotland) Act, 1919, entitled the Assisted Housing Schemes Amendment Regulations (Scotland), 1921,

Ordered, That the said Paper do lie upon the Table.

Ultimus Hears (Scotland) (Account and List of Estates), No. 138.

Mr. Hilton Young presented,—Return to an Order, dated the 9th day of this instant June, for a Return relative to Ultimus Hears (Scotland) (Account and List of Estates).

Ordered, That the said Paper do lie upon the Table; and be printed.

Savings Banks and Friendly Societies, No. 139.

Mr. Hilton Young also presented, pursuant to the directions of an Act of Parliament,—Account for 1920, showing the Interest accrued in respect of the Securities standing in the names of the Commissioners for the Reduction of the National Debt to the credit of the Post Office Savings Banks Fund and of the Fund for the Banks for Savings for the year ended 20th November 1920 and the Fund for Friendly Societies for the year ended 20th November 1920.

Ordered, That the said Papers do lie upon the Table; and be printed.

Profiteering Acts.

Mr. Baldwin presented, by His Majesty's Command,—Copy of Report on the Explosives Industry prepared by a Sub-Committee appointed by the Standing Committee on Trusts, under the Profiteering Acts.

Ordered, That the said Paper do lie upon the Table.

Union of Beneﬁces Acts.

The following Paper, pursuant to the directions of an Act of Parliament, was laid upon the Table by the Clerk of the House,—Copy of Scheme under the Union of Beneﬁces Acts for effecting an Union of the Beneﬁces of Saint Mary (the Less), Lambeth, and Saint James, Kennington, in the County of London and the Diocese of Southwark.

Sir Samuel Roberts reported from the Committee of Selection that they had discharged the following Member from the Joint Committee of Lords and Commons on Gas and Water Bills:—Mr. Cary; and had appointed in substitution: Mr. Johnstone.

Ordered, That the Report do lie upon the Table.

Sir Alfred Mond, supported by Sir Humayn Greenwood and Mr. More, presented a Bill to amend the financial provisions of the National Health Insurance Acts, 1911 to 1920, and to provide for increasing the amounts payable to insurance committees on account of their administrative expenses, and for reducing the number of members of insurance committees: And the same was ordered to be read a second time upon Monday next; and to be printed.

The House, according to Order, proceeded to take into consideration the Importation of Plumes (Prohibition) (No. 5) Bill, as amended in the Standing Committee.

Amendments were made to the Bill. Another Amendment was proposed to be made to the Bill, in p. 2, l. 16, by inserting, after the word "deliver," the words "within the period of one year."—(Sir J. D. Rees.)

And the Question being put, That those words be there inserted in the Bill:—The said proposed Amendment was, with leave of the House, withdrawn.

Then another Amendment was made to the Bill.

Another Amendment was proposed to be made to the Bill, in p. 2, l. 35, by leaving out the word "four," and inserting the word "six."—(Colonel Sir Charles Tate)—instead thereof.

And the Question being put, That the word "four" 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 House, according to Order, proceeded to take into consideration the Married Women's Property Act (1907) Amendment Bill, as amended in the Standing Committee.

A Clause was offered to be added to the Bill:—(Right in respect of Church Services.)—(Lord Hugh Cecil.)

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.

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 The Annuities and Apportionment Bill, as amended in the Standing Committee.

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Ordered, That the Bill be now read the third time:—The Bill was accordingly read the third time and passed.

Ordered, That the Clerk do carry the Bill to the Lords, and desire their concurrence.

Closure. (Reservation) Bill.

The House, according to Order, proceeded to take into consideration the Coroners (Remuneration) Bill, as amended in the Standing Committee.

An Amendment was made to the Bill.

Another Amendment was proposed to be made to the Bill, in p. 1, l. 13, by leaving out the word "shall," and inserting the word "may"—(Sir Frederick Banbury)—instead thereof.

And the Question being put, That the word "shall" stand part of the Bill:

The House divided.

The Yeas to the Right;

The Noes to the Left.

Tellers for the Major Estimate, Yeas, (Mr. Robert Young;) 49.

Tellers for the Major Estimate, Noes, (Mr. Cautley;) 74.

So it passed in the Negative.

And the Question being put, That the word "may" 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.

Trade Union Ballot Bill.

The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Trade Union Ballot Bill;

And a Motion being made, and the Question being proposed, That the Bill be now read a second time:—And a Debate arising thereupon;

Mr. Arthur Michael Samuel rose in his place and claimed to move, That the Question be now put; but Mr. Speaker withheld his assent, and declined then to put that Question:—Then the House resumed the Debate.

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And it being Five of the clock, the Debate stood adjourned.

Ordered, That the Debate be resumed upon Monday the 27th day of this instant June.

Trade Disputes Bill.

The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Trade Disputes Bill;

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time upon Monday next.

Dogs' Protection Bill.

The Order of the day being read, for resuming the adjourned Debate on the Question proposed upon the 3rd day of this instant June, That the Dogs Protection Bill be now read a second time;

Ordered, That the Debate be further adjourned till Monday next.

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The Order of the day being read, for receiving Supply the Report from the Committee of Supply of the 9th day of this instant June;

Ordered, That the Report be received upon Monday next.

Whereupon Mr. Speaker adjourned the Adjournment.

House without Question put, pursuant to Standing Order No. 3, it being then one minute after Five of the clock, till Monday next.

[No. 75.]

Monday, 13th June 1921.

The House met at a quarter of an hour before Three of the clock.

PRAYERS.

The House proceeded to take into consideration the Amendments made by the Lords to the Cambridge University and Town Water Works Bill: And the same were twice read, and agreed to.

Ordered, That the Clerk do carry the Bill to the Lords; and acquaint them that this House hath agreed to the Amendments made by their Lordships.

A Motion being made, That the Falmouth Dock Bill [Lords] be now read the third time; and notice being taken, That the interest of the Prince of Wales, as Duke of Cornwall, is concerned therein;

Mr. Bridgeman, by Command of His Royal Highness, acquainted the House that His Royal Highness, having been informed of the purport of the Bill, gives His Consent, as far as His Royal Highness's interest is concerned, that the House may do therein as they shall think fit.

Then the Bill was read the third time and passed, with Amendments.

Ordered, That the Clerk do carry the Bill to the Lords; and acquaint them that this House hath agreed to the same, with Amendments; to which this House doth desire the concurrence of their Lordships.

A Motion being made, That the Lochaber Lochaber Water Power Bill be now read the third time; and Mr. Bridgeman, by His Majesty's Command, acquainted the House, That His Majesty, having been informed of the purport of the Bill, gives His Consent, as far as His Majesty's interest is concerned, that the House may do therein as they shall think fit.

Then the Bill was read the third time and passed.

Ordered, That the Clerk do carry the Bill to the Lords, and desire their concurrence.

The House, according to Order, proceeded to take into consideration the Preston Corporation Bill [Lords], as amended in the Committee.

And Amendments were made to the Bill.

Ordered, That the Bill be read the third time.
The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the County of London Electric Supply Company Bill [Lords];

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time upon Monday next.

Ordered, That Mr. Speaker do issue his Warrant to the Clerk of the Crown in Ireland, to make out a new Writ for the election of a Member to serve in this present Parliament for the County of Down (North Down Division), in the room of Thomas Watters Brown, Esquire, who, since his Election for the said County, hath accepted the Office of His Majesty's Solicitor-General for Ireland. (Colonel Leslie Wilson.)

Mr. Hilton Young presented, by His Majesty's Command,—Copy of Note by the Board of Inland Revenue on Expenses of Members of Parliament.

Mr. Hilton Young also presented, pursuant to the directions of several Acts of Parliament,—Copy of Provisional Order made by the Treasury, with the concurrence of the Lord Chancellor, under the County Officers and Courts (Ireland) Act, 1877, relative to the taking of County Court fees by means of stamps.

Copy of Regulations, dated 10th June 1921, made by the Treasury under the Industrial and Provident Societies Act, 1893, the Friendly Societies Act, 1896, and the Collecting Societies and Industrial Assurance Companies Act, 1896.

Ordered, That the said Papers do lie upon the Table.

Mr. Secretary Churchill presented, by His Majesty's Command,—Copy of Memorandum by the Secretary of State for the Colonies on the preparation of an Interim Grant of £50,000 in respect of the year 1920-21 for supplementing the finances of local Government, with the concurrence of the Lord Chancellor, under the County Officers and Courts (Ireland) Act, 1877, relative to the taking of County Court fees by means of stamps.

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Mr. Annesy presented, by His Majesty's Command,—Copy of Report of His Majesty's Astronomer at the Cape of GoodHope Observatory to the Secretary of the Admiralty for the year 1920.

Ordered, That the said Paper do lie upon the Table.

Sir Hanov Greenwood presented, by His Majesty's Command,—Copy of Rules for the distribution of an Interim Grant of £50,000 in respect of the year 1920-21 for supplementing the Salaries of Intermediate Teachers in Ireland.

Ordered, That the said Paper do lie upon the Table.

Mr. Baldwin presented, by His Majesty's Command,—Copy of Report on Vinegar, prepared by a Sub-Committee appointed by the Standing Committee on Trusts under the Profiteering Acts.

Copy of Final Report on Meat, prepared by a Sub-Committee appointed by the Standing Committee on Trusts under the Profiteering Acts.

Ordered, That the said Papers do lie upon the Table.

Sir Eric Geddes presented, by His Majesty's Command,—Copy of Order under the Roads Act, 1920, dated 2nd June 1921, amending the Road Vehicles (Registration and Licensing) Regulations, 1921, as regards the county of London.

Ordered, That the said Paper do lie upon the Table.

Ordered, That there be laid before this House, External Debt, a Return showing, as on the 31st day of March 1921, the 31st day of March 1920, and the 31st day of March 1921, respectively, the External Debt of this Country, the due date, and any arrangement which has been made for its repayment (in continuation of Parliamentary Paper, No. 144, of Session 1920).—(Mr. Wallace.)

Captain Starkey reported from the Committee Private Bills on Group E of Private Bills: That, for the convenience of parties, the Committee had adjourned till Monday next, at Twelve of the clock.

Ordered, That the Report do lie upon the Table.

Sir Samuel Roberts reported from the Committee of Selection; That they had discharged the following Member from the Joint Committee of Lords and Commons on Gas and Water Bills:—Colonel Bell; and had appointed in substitution: Mr. Samuel Roberts.

Ordered, That the Report do lie upon the Table.

The Order for reading a second time, tomorrow, the Dispossession of Animals (Scotland) Bill, was read, and discharged.

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time upon Thursday the 23rd day of this instant June.

The Order for reading a second time, tomorrow, the Agriculture Amendment Bill, was read, and discharged.

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time upon Thursday the 23rd day of this instant June.

Ordered, That the Local Elections (Proportional Representation) Bill [Lords], be read a second time upon Monday next.

A Motion was made, and the Question being put, That the Proceedings on the Motion relating to Safeguarding of Industries Bill (Allocation of Time) be exempted at this day's Sitting from the provisions of the Standing Order (Sittings of the House)—(Mr. Austen Chamberlain);

The House divided.

The Yeas to the Right;

The Noes to the Left.

Tellers for the [Colonel Leslie Wilson, 166, T. J. McCurdy: 166.]

Tellers for the [Mr. Aneurin Williams, 40; Mr. Robert Young: 40.]

So it was resolved in the Affirmative.

A Motion was made, and the Question being Safeguarding of Industries Bill (Allocation of Time) be exempted at this day's Sitting from the provisions of the Standing Order (Sittings of the House)—(Mr. Austen Chamberlain);

The House divided.

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So it was resolved in the Affirmative.
proceeded with and brought to a conclusion in the manner hereinafter mentioned:

(1) Committee Stage.

Five allotted days shall be given to the Committee stage of the Bill, and the proceedings in Committee on each allotted day shall be those shown in the second column of the following table; and those proceedings shall, if not previously brought to a conclusion, be brought to a conclusion at the time shown in the third column of that table.

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On the conclusion of the Committee stage the Chairman shall report the Bill to the House without Question put.

(2) Report Stage.

Two allotted days shall be given to the Report stage of the Bill, and the proceedings on each of those allotted days shall be those shown in the second column of the following table; and those proceedings, if not previously brought to a conclusion, shall be brought to a conclusion at the times shown in the third column of that table.

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(3) Third Reading.

One allotted day shall be given to the Third Reading of the Bill, and the proceedings thereon, if not previously brought to a conclusion, shall be brought to a conclusion at 10.30 p.m. on that day.

After this Order comes into operation, any day shall be considered an allotted day for the purpose of this Order on which the Bill is put down as the first Order of the day: Provided that 2 and 4.30 p.m. respectively shall be substituted for 7 and 10.30 p.m. as respects any allotted day which is a Friday as the time at which proceedings are to be brought to a conclusion under the foregoing provisions.

For the purpose of bringing to a conclusion any proceedings which are to be brought to a conclusion on an allotted day, and have not previously been brought to a conclusion, the Chairman or Mr. Speaker shall, at the time appointed under this Order for the conclusion of those proceedings, put the Question on any Amendment or Motion already proposed from the Chair, and shall next proceed successively to put forthwith the Question on any Amendments, new Clauses or Schedules moved by the Government of which notice has been given, but no other Amendments, new Clauses, or Schedules, and on any Question necessary to dispose of the business to be concluded, and in the case of Government Amendments or Government new Clauses or Schedules, he shall put only the Question that the Amendment be made, or that the Clause or Schedule be added to the Bill, as the case may be, and on the Committee stage of the Bill the Chairman, in the case of a series of Clauses to which no notice of Amendment has been given by the Government, shall put the Question that those Clauses stand part of the Bill without putting the Question separately as respects each Clause.

A Motion may be made by the Government to leave out any Clause or consecutive Clauses of the Bill before conclusion of any Amendments of the Clause or Clauses in Committee: The Question on a Motion made by the Government to leave out any Clause or Clauses of the Bill shall be forthwith put by the Chairman or Mr. Speaker after a brief explanatory statement from the Minister in charge and from any one Member who opposes the Motion.

Any Private Business which is set down for consideration at 8.15 p.m. and any Motion for Adjournment under Standing Order No. 10 on an allotted day shall, on that day, instead of being taken as provided by the Standing Orders, be taken after the conclusion of the proceedings on the Bill or under this Order for that day; and any Private Business or Motion for Adjournment to take may be proceeded with, though opposed, notwithstanding any Standing Order relating to the Sitting of the House.

On an allotted day no dilatory Motion on the Bill, nor Motion to re-commit the Bill, nor Motion to postpone a Clause, nor Motion that the Chairman do report Progress or do leave the Chair, or that further consideration of the Bill or any Debate be now adjourned, shall be received unless moved by the Government, and the Question on such Motion, if moved by the Government, shall be put forthwith without any Debate.

Nothing in this Order shall—

(a) prevent any proceedings which under this Order are to be concluded on any particular day or at any particular time being proceeded with on any other day or at any other time, or necessitate any particular day, or part of a particular day, being given to any such proceedings if those proceedings have been otherwise disposed of; or

(b) prevent any other business being proceeded with on any particular day, or part of a particular day, in accordance with the Standing Orders of the House, after any proceedings to be concluded under this Order on that particular day, or part of a particular day, have been disposed of.

(Mr. Austen Chamberlain.)
An Amendment was proposed to be made to the Question, in 1, 1, by leaving out the word "Committee stage."—(Mr. Hogge.)

And the Question being put, That the words "Committee stage" stand part of the Question; The House divided, The Yeas to the Right; The Noes to the Left.

Tellers for the (Colonel Leslie Wilson, } 219.

Tellers for the (Mr. Hogge, } 59.

So it was resolved in the Affirmative.

And the Question being put, That the word "Five" stand part of the Question; The House divided, The Yeas to the Right; The Noes to the Left.

Tellers for the (Colonel Leslie Wilson, } 215.

Tellers for the (Mr. McCurdy, } 51.

So it was resolved in the Affirmative.

And the Main Question being put; The House divided, The Yeas to the Right; The Noes to the Left.

Tellers for the (Colonel Leslie Wilson, } 186.

Tellers for the (Mr. Hogge, } 52.

So it was resolved in the Affirmative.

Ordered, That the Proceedings on the Committee stage, Report stage, and the Third Reading of the Safeguarding of Industries Bill shall be proceeded with and brought to a conclusion in the manner hereinafter mentioned:—

(1) Committee Stage.
Five allotted days shall be given to the Committee stage of the Bill, and the proceedings in Committee on each allotted day shall be those shown in the second column of the following table; and those proceedings, if not previously brought to a conclusion, shall be brought to a conclusion at the time shown in the third column of that table.

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One allotted day shall be given to the Third Reading of the Bill, and the proceedings therein, if not previously brought to a conclusion, shall be brought to a conclusion at 10.30 p.m. on that day.

After this Order comes into operation any day shall be considered an allotted day for the purposes of this Order on which the Bill is put down as the first Order of the day: Provided that 2 and 4.30 p.m., respectively, shall be substituted for 7 and 10.30 p.m. as respects any allotted day which is a Friday as the time at which proceedings are to be brought to a conclusion under the foregoing provisions.

For the purpose of bringing to a conclusion any proceedings which are to be brought to a conclusion on an allotted day, and have not previously been brought to a conclusion, the Chairman or Mr. Speaker shall, at the time appointed under this Order for the conclusion of those proceedings, put forthwith the Question on any Amendment or Motion already proposed from the Chair, and shall then proceed successively to put forthwith the Question on any Amendments, new Clauses, or Schedules moved by the Government of which notice has been given, but on no other Amendments, new Clauses, or Schedules, and on any Question necessary to dispose of the business to be concluded, and in the case of Government Amendments or of Government new Clauses or Schedules, he shall put only the Question that the Amendment be made, or that the Clause or Schedule be added to the Bill, as the case may be, and on the Committee stage of the Bill the Chairman, in the case of a series of Clauses to which no notice of Amendment has been given by the Government, shall put the Question that those Clauses stand part of the Bill without putting the Question separately as respects each Clause.

A Motion may be made by the Government to leave out any Clause or consecutive Clauses of the Bill before consideration of any Amendment of the Clause or Clauses in Committee:

The Question on a Motion made by the Government to leave out any Clause or Clauses of the
Bill shall be forthwith put by the Chairman or Mr. Speaker after a brief explanatory statement; from the Minister in charge and from any one Member who opposes the Motion.

Any Private Business which is set down for consideration at 8 15 p.m. and any Motion for Adjournment under Standing Order No. 10 on an allotted day shall, on that day, instead of being taken as provided by the Standing Orders, be taken after the conclusion of the proceedings on the Bill or under this Order for that day, and any Private Business or Motion for Adjournment so taken may be proceeded with, though opposed, notwithstanding any Standing Order relating to the Sittings of the House.

On an allotted day no dilatory Motion on the Bill, nor Motion to recommit the Bill, nor Motion to postpone a Clause, nor Motion that the Chairman do report Progress or do leave the Chair, or that further consideration of the Bill or any Debate be now adjourned, shall be received unless moved by the Government, and the Question on such Motion, if moved by the Government, shall be put forthwith without any Debate.

Nothing in this Order shall—
(a) prevent any proceedings which, under this Order, are to be concluded on any particular day or at any particular time being proceeded with on any other day or at any other time, or necessitate any particular day or part of a particular day being given to any such proceedings if those proceedings have been otherwise disposed of; or
(b) prevent any other business being proceeded with on any particular day, or part of a particular day, in accordance with the Standing Orders of the House, after any proceedings to be concluded under this Order on that particular day, or part of a particular day, have been disposed of.

Colonel Gibbs reported from the Committee of Ways and Means of the 8th day of this instant June a Resolution; which was read, as followeth:

Audit Stamp Duty.

That the stamp duty chargeable on local authorities in respect of the audit of their accounts by district auditors, shall, instead of being charged according to the existing scale, be charged according to a scale which shall be fixed by the Treasury after consultation with the Minister of Health, and shall be such as to secure that the duties levied shall be sufficient to meet the costs incurred in respect of the remuneration, including superannuation allowances and the expenses of district auditors.

The said Resolution, being read a second time, was 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 Resolution.

Order of the day being read, for taking Supply into consideration the Twelfth of the Resolutions, which upon the 2nd day of May last, were reported from the Committee of Supply of the 21st day of April last;

Ordered, That the said Resolution be taken into consideration upon Monday next.

The Order of the day being read, for taking Supply into consideration the Fifth and subsequent Resolutions which, upon the 25th day of May last, were reported from the Committee of Supply of the 24th day of May last;

Ordered, That the said Resolutions be taken into consideration to-morrow.

The Order of the day being read, for taking Supply into consideration the Seventh and subsequent Resolutions which, upon the 26th day of May last, were reported from the Committee of Supply of the 25th day of May last;

Ordered, That the said Resolutions be taken into consideration to-morrow.

The Order of the day being read, for taking Supply into consideration His Majesty's Message of the 2nd day of May last, relative to the Emergency Powers Act, 1920.

Ordered, That the said Message be taken into consideration upon Monday next.

The Order of the day being read, for taking Supply into consideration His Majesty's Message of the 21st day of May last;

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time to-morrow.

The Order of the day being read, for resuming Supply into consideration the Adjourned Debate on the Question proposed upon the 11th day of April last, That an humble Address be presented to His Majesty thanking His Majesty for His Most Gracious Message communicating to this House His Majesty's intentions with respect to the Reserve Forces.

Ordered, That the Debate be further adjourned till Monday next.

The Order of the day being read, for taking Supply into consideration the Second Reading of the Electricity (Supply) Bill:

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time upon Monday next.

The House, according to Order, proceeded to Police Pensions Bill: take into consideration the Police Pensions Bill, as amended in the Standing Committee,
Ordered, That the Bill be now read the third time.—The Bill was accordingly read the third time and passed.

Ordered, That the Clerk do carry the Bill to the Lords, and desire their concurrence.

The House, according to Order, proceeded to take into consideration the Dentists Bill, as amended in the Standing Committee.

An Amendment was proposed to be made to the Bill, in p. 2, l. 37, by inserting at the end thereof the words,—"(Colonel Wedgwood.)"

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.

A Motion was made, and the Question being put, That further consideration of the Bill, as amended, be now adjourned.—(Colonel Wedgwood.)—It passed in the Negative.

Another Amendment was proposed to be made to the Bill, in p. 2, l. 37, by leaving out the word "prescribed," and inserting the word "modified," — (Colonel Wedgwood) — instead thereof.

And the Question being put, That the word "prescribed" stand part of the Bill:—It was resolved in the Affirmative.

Another Amendment was proposed to be made to the Bill, in p. 12, l. 31, by leaving out subsections (2) and (3).—(Lieutenant-Commander Kenworthy.)

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.

A Motion was made, and the Question being proposed, That the Bill be now read the third time;

An Amendment was proposed to be made to the Question, by leaving out the word "now" and, at the end of the Question, adding the words "upon this day three months." — (Colonel Wedgwood.)

And the Question being put, That the word "now" stand part of the Question:—It was resolved in the Affirmative.

The Bill was read the third time and passed.

Ordered, That the Clerk do carry the Bill to the Lords, and desire their concurrence.

Ordered, That the Bill be read the second time upon Monday next.

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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 Unemployment Insurance Bill:

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time to-morrow.

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Resolved, That this House do now adjourn.—Adjournment. (Colonel Sir John Gilmore.)

And accordingly the House, having continued to sit till twenty-nine minutes after Ten of the clock, adjourned till to-morrow.

[No. 76.]

Tuesday, 14th June 1921.

The House met at a quarter of an hour before Three of the clock.

PRAYERS.

THE Swansea Gas Bill was read the third Swansea Gas Bill.

Ordered, That the Clerk do carry the Bill to the Lords, and desire their concurrence.

The House proceeded to take into consideration the Coventry Corporation Bill, as amended in the Committee.

Ordered, That the Bill be read the third time.

A Public Petition was presented, and read; Public Petitions. Vide First Report.

Mr. Secretary Guest presented, pursuant to the directions of an Act of Parliament,—Copy of Order under the Air Force (Constitution) Act, 1917.

Ordered, That the said Paper do lie upon the Table.

Sir Hamnor Greenwood presented, pursuant to the directions of an Act of Parliament,—Copy of new Statute (Statute VIII.) for University College, Dublin, made under the Irish Universities Act, 1908.

Ordered, That the said Paper do lie upon the Table.

Mr. Arthur Balfour presented, pursuant to the directions of an Act of Parliament,—Copy of Statute made under the Universities of Oxford and Cambridge Act, 1877, by the Governing Body of Queen's College, Oxford, on 2nd March 1921, amending Statutes Tit. XXI. (Disposal of Revenue), Clause 1.

Ordered, That the said Paper do lie upon the Table.
Mr. Baldwin presented, by His Majesty's Command,—Copy of Draft of a Special Order proposed to be made by the Board of Trade under the Gas Regulation Act, 1920, on the application of the Harpenden District Gas Company.

Ordered, That the said Paper do lie upon the Table.

Mr. Secretary Shortt presented, by His Majesty's Command,—Copy of Report of the Departmental Committee appointed to inquire as to the practicability of Disinfection of Horsehair.

Ordered, That the said Paper do lie upon the Table.

Sir Arthur Griffith-Boscawen presented, pursuant to the directions of an Act of Parliament, —Copy of Order, dated 3rd June 1921, made under the Diseases of Animals Acts, authorising the landing of two Dromedaries in the port of Swansea.

Copy of Order, dated 4th June 1921, made under the Diseases of Animals Acts, authorising the landing of two Dromedaries in the port of London.

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:—

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 Lunaticas, between 1st October 1920 and 31st March 1921.

Copy of Reports of the Chief Registrar of Friendly Societies, &c., for the year 1920. Part A. General Report.

Ordered, That the Paper relative to Friendly Societies, &c., be printed.

Mr. William Nicholson reported from Standing Committee A to whom the Greenwich Hospital Bill was referred; That they had gone through the Bill, and directed him to report the same, without Amendment, to the House.

Ordered, That the Report do lie upon the Table; and be printed.

Ordered, That the Minutes of the Proceedings of the Standing Committee be printed.

Ordered, That the Bill, not amended in the Standing Committee, be taken into consideration upon Monday next.

Mr. John William Wilson reported from the Chairman's Panel; That they had appointed Mr. John William Wilson to act as Chairman of the Standing Committee on Scottish Bills (in respect of the Housing (Scotland) (No. 2) Bill); Sir William Peace to act as Chairman of Standing Committee A (in respect of the Overseas Trade (Credits and Insurance) Amendment Bill) — Mr. Baldwin, Mr. Cowen, Mr. Grundy, Lieutenant-Commander Kenneth, Sir Philip Lloyd-Douglas, Mr. Edward Samuel, Mr. Stewart, Sir Robert Thomas, and Captain Watson.

Sir Samuel Roberts further reported from the Scottish Committee; That they had added the following Ten Members to Standing Committee A (in respect of the Overseas Trade (Credits and Insurance) Amendment Bill) — Mr. Baldwin, Mr. Cowen, Mr. Grundy, Lieutenant-Commander Kenneth, Sir Philip Lloyd-Douglas, Mr. Edward Samuel, Mr. Stewart, Sir Robert Thomas, and Captain Watson.

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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 Captive Birds (Shooting) (Prohibition) Bill, without any Amendment.

The Lords have agreed to the Westgate and Birchington Water Bill, without any Amendment.

The Lords have passed a Bill, intituled Indian Divorces (Validity) Bill [Lords.] for the dissolution of the marriage of persons domiciled in the United Kingdom; to which the Lords desire the concurrence of this House.

The Lords have passed a Bill, intituled Preston's Divorce Bill [Lords.] to dissolve the Marriage of George Elystan Preston, of Longford, in the county of Longford, district inspector in the Royal Irish Constabulary, with Edith Preston his now wife, and to enable him to marry again, and for other purposes; to which the Lords desire the concurrence of this House.

Preston's Divorce Bill [Lords] was read the first time; and ordered to be read a second time to-morrow; and to be printed.

The Indian Divorces (Validity) Bill [Lords] was read the first time; and ordered to be read a second time to-morrow; and to be printed.

Mr. Dectis, Member for the Falls Division of adjournment Belfast, 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 want of proper control and discipline of the Crown Forces in Belfast on Sunday morning last, whereby peaceable citizens were taken from their homes and murdered during curfew hours; 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 not less than 49 Members having accordingly risen, the Motion stood over, under Standing Order No. 10, until a quarter of an hour after Eight of the clock this evening.

Walter Hall, Esquire, Member for the County New Member of Lancaster (Heywood and Radcliffe Division), sworn... was sworn.

Ordered, That notwithstanding anything in Business of Standing Order No. 15, the Supplementary Estimate for a New Service in Civil Services (House Estimates, 1921-22, Class V, Vote 3, may be considered in Committee of Supply this day.— (Mr. Austen Chamberlain.)

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The House, according to Order, resolved itself into the Committee of Supply.

(Civil Services Supplementary Estimates, 1921-22. Class V.)

Motion made, and Question proposed, That a Supplementary sum not exceeding £27,197,000 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 1922 for the Salaries and Expenses in connection with Middle Eastern Services under His Majesty's Secretary of State for the Colonies, including a Grant in Aid:

Whereupon Motion made, and Question proposed, That a sum, not exceeding £25,197,000, be granted for the said Service—(Lieutenant-Commander Kenworthy)—Motion, by leave, withdrawn.

Original Question again proposed.

And it being a quarter-past Eight of the clock, and leave having been given to move the adjournment of the House under Standing Order No. 10, further Proceeding was postponed, without Question put.

A Motion was made, and the Question being proposed, That this House do now adjourn—(Mr. Denila);

Mr. John Jones, Member for Silvertown, having conducted himself in a grossly disorderly manner, Mr. Speaker, in pursuance of Standing Order No. 20, relating to disorderly conduct, ordered Mr. Jones to withdraw immediately from the House during the remainder of this day's sitting; and the Honourable Member withdrew accordingly.

And the Question being put:
The House divided.
The Yeas to the Right:
The Noes to the Left.

Tellers for the Yeas: Mr. T. P. O'Connor; Mr. T. P. O'Connor; 64.
Tellers for the Noes: Mr. Leslie Wilson; Mr. Leslie Wilson; 192.

So it passed in the Negative.

Postponed Proceeding on Question, That a Supplementary sum not exceeding £27,197,000 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 1922 for the Salaries and Expenses in connection with Middle Eastern Services under His Majesty's Secretary of State for the Colonies, including a Grant in Aid:

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Tellers for the Noes: Mr. Leslie Wilson; Mr. Leslie Wilson; 192.

So it passed in the Negative.

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 Second Reading of the Public Defender Bill;  
Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time on Monday next.

The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Trade Disputes Bill;  
Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time to-morrow.

The Order of the day being read, for resuming the adjourned Debate on the Question proposed upon the 3rd day of this instant June, That the Dogs’ Protection Bill, be now read a second time;  
Ordered, That the Debate be further adjourned till to-morrow.

Adjustment.  
And then the House having continued to sit till six minutes after Eleven of the clock adjourned till to-morrow.

[No. 77.]  
Wednesday, 16th June 1921.  
The House met at a quarter of an hour before Three of the clock.

PRAYERS.

Eastbourne Waterworks Bill [Lords], as amended in the Committee;  
Ordered, That the Bill be read the third time.

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 Armagh (Mid-Armagh Division), in the room of James Rolston Lonsdale, Esquire, deceased.—(Colonel Leslie Wilson.)

Ordered, That Mr. Speaker do issue his Warrant to the Clerk of the Crown in Ireland, to make out a new Writ for the electing of a Member to serve in this present Parliament for the Borough of Belfast (Duncairn Division), in the room of the Right Honourable Sir Edward Henry Carson, K.C., now Baron Carson of Duncairn, who, since his Election for the said Borough, hath accepted the Office of Lord of Appeal in Ordinary.—(Colonel Leslie Wilson.)

Vote of Credit  
Mr. Hilton Young presented, by His Majesty’s Command, — Copy of Statement showing the Proceeds of Sale of Stocks, &c., purchased out of the Vote of Credit, with the Report of the Comptroller and Auditor-General thereon.  
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Copy of Trading Accounts and Balance Sheets relating to Services undertaken during the War in connection with War materials and Food Supplies and to Normal Services of Government Departments, with the Report of the Comptroller and Auditor-General thereon.  

Copy of Statement relating to the employment Ex-Servicemen in Government Offices on Men employed in Government Offices.  

Copy of Statement showing the Staffs Government Departments on 1st May 1921, compiled from Returns furnished to the Treasury.  

Mr. Hilton Young also presented,—Return to External Debt, an Order, dated the 13th day of this instant June, for a Return relative to External Debt.  

Mr. Hilton Young also presented, pursuant to the directions of an Act of Parliament,—Accounts of all Deposits received and paid during the year ended 31st December 1920, 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 1920, 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 Papers do lie upon the Table; and that the said Return and the Paper relative to Post Office Savings Banks be printed.  

Mr. Baldwin presented, by His Majesty’s Prodditing Command,—Copy of Report on Pottery prepared by a Sub-Committee appointed by the Standing Committee on the Investigation of Prices under the Profiteering Acts.  

Copy of Report on Dyeing and Cleaning Profiteering prepared by a Sub-Committee appointed by the Standing Committees on the Investigation of Prices and on Trusts under the Profiteering Acts.  

Ordered, That the said Papers do lie upon the Table.

Six Harms Greenwood presented, by His Irish Land Commission, — Copy of Return of Ad.  

Ordered, That the said Paper do lie upon the Table.

Mr. Secretary Shortt presented, by His Judicial Commission, — Copy of Return of Ad.  

Ordered, That the said Paper do lie upon the Table.

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Ordered, That the said Paper do lie upon the Table.

Six Arthur Griffith-Boscawen presented, by Agricultural Statistics, 1913, Part II. Civil Statistics relating to the Judicial Committee of the Privy Council, the House of Lords, the Supreme Court of Judicature, County Courts, and other Civil Courts.  

Ordered, That the said Paper do lie upon the Table.


Mr. Arthur Griffith-Boscawen also presented, Agriculture pursuant to the directions of an Act of Par  

Ordered,—Copy of Regulations, dated 9th June 1921, made by the Minister of Agriculture and
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Fisheries under Section 4 (10) of the Agriculture Act, 1920, entitled the Injurious Weeds Regulations, 1921.

Ordered, That the said Papers do lie upon the Table.

Resolved, That an humble Address be presented to His Majesty, that He will be graciously pleased to give directions to that effect before this House a Return of the Indian Financial Statement and Budget for 1921-22; and discussions thereon in the Indian Legislature (in continuation of Parliamentary Paper, No. 103, of Session 1920).—(Mr. Secretary Montagu.)

Mr. Readall reported from Standing Committee D, to whom the Guardianship, &c., of Infants Bill was referred; That they had gone through the Bill and made Amendments thereunto.

No. 144. Ordered, That the Report do lie upon the Table; and be printed.

No. 145. Ordered, That the Minutes of the Proceedings of the Standing Committee be printed.

Bill 140. Ordered, That the Bill, as amended in the Standing Committee, be taken into consideration upon Monday next; and be printed.

Mr. John William Wilson reported from the Standing Committee on Scottish Bills, to whom the Housing (Scotland) (No. 2) Bill was referred: That they had gone through the Bill and made an Amendment thereunto.

No. 145. Ordered, That the Report do lie upon the Table; and be printed.

No. 146. Ordered, That the Minutes of the Proceedings of the Standing Committee be printed.

Bill 139. Ordered, That the Bill, as amended in the Standing Committee, be taken into consideration upon Monday next; and be printed.

Message from the Lords.

Mr. Speaker acquainted the House, That a Message had been brought from the Lords by one of their Clerks, as followeth:

The Lords have passed a Bill, intituled An Act to empower the Lord Mayor, Aldermen, and Citizens of the City of Manchester to construct additional gasworks and to acquire the Stretford Gas Company’s undertaking; to make further provision in regard to the health, local government, and improvement of the city, and for other purposes; to which the Lords desire the concurrence of this House.

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The Manchester Corporation (General Powers) Bill [Lords] was read the first time.

Ordered, That the Bill be referred to the Examiners of Petitions for Private Bills.

The Criminal Law Amendment Bill [Lords] was read the first time, and ordered to be read a second time to-morrow; and to be printed.

A Motion was made, and the Question being proposed, That the Bill be read a second time, and ordered to be read a second time to-morrow; and to be printed.

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 the day three months.”—(Mr. Hodge.)

And the Question being put, That the word “now” stand part of the Question,

The House divided.

The Yeas to the Right:

Tellers for the (Colonel Leslie Wilson), 124.
Tellers for the (Mr. Arthur Henderson), 79.

So it was resolved in the Affirmative.

The Bill was read a second time.

A Motion was made, and the Question being put, That the Bill be committed to a Committee of the whole House—(Mr. Hodge);

The House divided.

The Yeas to the Right:

Tellers for the (Colonel Leslie Wilson), 124.
Tellers for the (Mr. Arthur Henderson), 79.

So it passed in the Negative.

The Bill was committed to a Standing Committee.

The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Indian Divorces (Valid- lity) Bill [Lords].

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time to-morrow.

The Order of the day being read, for receiving the Report from the Committee of Supply of the 12th day of May last; and

Ordered, That the Report be received to-morrow.

The Order of the day being read, for taking supply into consideration the Fifth and subsequent Resolutions which, upon the 25th day of May last, were reported from the Committee of Supply of the 25th day of May last;

Ordered, That the said Resolutions be taken into consideration to-morrow.
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The Order of the day being read, for receiving the Report from the Committee of Supply of the 9th day of this instant June ;
Ordered, That the Report be received to-morrow.

The Order of the day being read, for receiving the Report from the Committee of Supply of the 14th 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.

Ways and Means.
The Order of the day being read, for the Committee of Ways and Means ;
Resolved, That this House will, to-morrow, resolve itself into the said Committee.

Finance Bill.
The Order of the day being read, for the Committee on the Finance Bill ;
Resolved, That this House will, to-morrow, resolve itself into the said Committee.

Church of Scotland Bill.
The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Church of Scotland Bill ;
Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time upon Monday next.

Safeguarding of Industries Bill.
The Order of the day being read, for the Committee on the Safeguarding of Industries Bill ;
Resolved, That this House will, upon Monday next, resolve itself into the said Committee.

National Health Insurance Bill.
The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the National Health Insurance Bill ;
Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time to-morrow.

Protection of Birds Bill.
The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Protection of Birds Bill ;
Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time upon Wednesday next.

Increase of Rent (Restrictions) Bill.
The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Increase of Rent (Restrictions) Bill ;
Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time to-morrow.

Trade Disputes Bill.
The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Trade Disputes Bill ;
Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time to-morrow.

Dogs' Protection Bill.
The Order of the day being read, for resuming the adjourned Debate on the Question proposed upon the 3rd day of this instant June, That the Dogs' Protection Bill be now read a second time ;
Ordered, That the Debate be further adjourned till to-morrow.

Unemployment Insurance [Payments]. 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 an increased contribution towards unemployment benefits and any other payments to be made out of the unemployment fund, and of authorising the Treasury to make, for the purpose of discharging the liabilities of the unemployment fund, advances not exceeding at any time twenty million pounds, and to borrow money for such advances by the issue of such securities as the Treasury think proper, the principal of, and interest on, any such securities to be charged on and payable out of the Consolidated Fund, in pursuance of any Act of the present Session relating to insurance against unemployment — (Dr. Macnamara;) Dr. Macnamara, by His Majesty's Command, acquainted the House, that His Majesty, having been informed of the subject-matter of this Motion, recommends it to the consideration of the House.

Resolved, That this House will, to-morrow, resolve itself into the said Committee.

And then the House, having continued to sit till five minutes after Eleven of the clock, adjourned till to-morrow.

The Order of the day being read, for receiving the Report from the Committee of Supply of the 14th day of this instant June ;
Ordered, That the Report be received to-morrow.

Ordered, That the Clerk do carry the Bill to the Lords; and acquaint them that this House hath agreed to the same, with Amendments; to which this House doth desire the concurrence of their Lordships.

Mr. Amery presented, by His Majesty's Command, — Copy of Statistical Report on the Health of the Navy for the year 1915.

Ordered, That the said Paper do lie upon the Table.

Sir Arthur Griffith-Boscawen presented, pursuant to the directions of an Act of Parliament,—Copy of Order, dated 7th June 1921, made under the Diseases of Animals Acts, authorising the landing of one African Buffalo in the port of London.

Ordered, That the said Paper do lie upon the Table.

Sir Alfred Mond presented, pursuant to the directions of an Act of Parliament,—Copy of Order, dated 16th June 1921, made by the National Health Insurance Joint Committee.

Ordered, That the said Paper do lie upon the Table.

Sir William Middleton reported from the Local Legislation Committee (Section A); That in the case of the Grimsby Corporation Bill [Lords.] they had examined the allegations contained in the Preamble of the Bill, and amended the same so as to make it consistent with
the provisions of the Bill as passed by the Committee, and found the same, as amended, to be true; and had gone through the Bill and made Amendments thereto.

Ordered, That the Report do lie upon the Table; and be printed.

Message from the Lords.
Mr. Speaker acquainted the House, That a Message had been brought from the Lords by one of their Clerks, as followeth:

The Lords have agreed to the Amendments made by this House to the Falmouth Docks Bill [Lords], without any Amendment.

The Lords have passed a Bill, intituled The Southend Water Bill [Lords], without any Amendment.

The Southend Water Bill [Lords] was read the first time.

Ordered, That the Bill be referred to the Examiners of Petitions for Private Bills.

Standing Committee (Chairman's Panel).
Mr. John William Wilson reported from the Chairman's Panel; That they had appointed Sir Halford Mackinder to act as Chairman of Standing Committee C (in respect of the Unemployment Insurance Bill);

Ordered, That the Report do lie upon the Table.

Selection (Standing Committees.)
Sir Samuel Roberts reported from the Committee of Selection; That they had nominated the following Members to serve on Standing Committee C:—Mr. Adamson, Colonel Ashley, Major Barker, Sir William Barton, Mr. Beckell, Colonel Bell, Captain Wedgwood Benn, Sir William Bird, Captain Sir Rowland Hades, Mr. Blane, Mr. Bowerton, Sir Harry Brittain, Mr. Britton, Mr. Broad, Colonel Buckman, Mr. William Carter, Sir Arthur Churchman, Sir Cyril Cobb, Brigadier-General Cockrell, Mr. Cusson, Major Oscar Curzi, Mr. Haydeley, Colonel Holdrege, Captain Hilton, Major Honorard, Mr. John Jones, Mr. Lawson, Sir Ashton Lister, Captain Lowby, Major Christopher Louther, Mr. Mills, Sir Robert Newyn, Mr. Perkins, Colonel Robinson, Captain Reain, Captain Tudor Rees, Mr. John Robertson, Mr. Simm, Mr. Spencer, Mr. Stanton, Major Steel, Colonel Stephens, Mr. Waterson, Colonel Weston, Colonel Wheler, Mr. Charles White, Colonel Sir Gilbert Willis, Dr. Worsfold and Mr. Robert Young.

Standing Committee C.
Sir Samuel Roberts further reported from the Committee; That they had added the following Fifteen Members to Standing Committee C (in respect of the Unemployment Insurance Bill):—Mr. Allen, Mr. George Balfour, Sir Montague Barlow, Major Barnett, Colonel Sir James Greig, Major Hennessy, Mr. Hogan, Colonel Sir Arthur Holbrook, Mr. Godfrey Locker Lampen, Mr. Neil Maclean, Dr. Macnamara, Colonel Pinkham, Mr. Sexton, Colonel Wedgwood, and Sir Richard Winfrey.

Ordered, That the Reports do lie upon the Table.

Business of the House (Supply.)
Ordered, That the Proceedings on the Finance Bill have precedence this day of the Business of Supply.—(Mr. Austen Chamberlain.)
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Clause, as amended, agreed to.
Clause No. 6 to No. 15 agreed to.
Clause No. 17 (Income tax and super-tax for 1921-22).
Amendment proposed, in p. 8, l. 9, to leave out the word "six," in order to insert the word "five."—(Mr. Petytman.)
Question proposed, That the word "six" stand part of the Clause: — Amendment, by leave, withdrawn.
Clause agreed to.
Clause No. 18 (Declaration as to ss. 43 and 44 of 8 & 9 Geo. 5. c. 40).
Amendment proposed in p. 8, l. 42, to leave out the word "not."—(Mr. Holmes.)
Question put, That the word "not" stand part of the Clause.
The Committee divided.
Tellers for the \(\text{Colonel Leslie Wilson}\), 203.
\(\text{Yess}.\) \(\text{Mr. Dudley Ward}\), 1.
Tellers for the \(\text{Sir Frederick Bantbury}\), 31.
\(\text{Noes}.\) \(\text{Mr. Holmes}\), 1.
Clause agreed to.
Clause No. 19 (Rule 3 (1) of Miscellaneous Rules applicable to Schedule D not to apply if person charged carries on trade throughout year of assessment).
Amendment proposed, in p. 9, l. 10, to leave out sub-section (1), in order to insert the words,—
"(1) Where, under Rule 3 of the Miscellaneous Rules applicable to Schedule D, a person has obtained relief in consequence of diminished profits, he shall, if he so claim, be assessed for each of the two years following the year of assessment in respect of which relief has been granted on the actual profit of those years respectively."—(Mr. Godfrey Locker-Lampson.)
Question put, That the words proposed to be left out stand part of the Clause.
The Committee divided.
Tellers for the \(\text{Colonel Leslie Wilson}\), 161.
\(\text{Yess}.\) \(\text{Mr. Dudley Ward}\), 3.
Tellers for the \(\text{Sir Frederick Bantbury}\), 18.
\(\text{Noes}.\) \(\text{Major Christopher}\), 1.
\(\text{Lothier}\), 1.
Another Amendment proposed, in p. 9, l. 15, at the end, to insert the words,—
"But the specific cause from which the person charged is, under the paragraph (1) referred to, deprived of profit shall not necessarily be a specific cause of similar nature, but other specific causes, such as, for instance, a disastrous fire, shall entitle the person charged to apply for amendment of the assessment."—(Colonel Sir Arthur Holbrook.)
Question, That those words be there inserted, put, and negatived.
Clause agreed to.
Clause No. 20 to No. 22 agreed to.
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.

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Resolved, That this House will, upon Monday next, again 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 Second Reading of the Indian Divorces (Validity of Divorce) Bill [Lords];

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time to-morrow.

The Order of the day being read, for the National Health Insurance Bill;

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time to-morrow.

The Order of the day being read, for the Committee on Unemployment Insurance [Payments];

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 [12th May] the 12th day of May last;

Ordered, That the Report be received upon Monday next.

The Order of the day being read, for taking supply into consideration the Fifth and subsequent [4th May] Resolutions, which, upon the 25th day of May last, were reported from the Committee of Supply of the 24th day of May last;

Ordered, That the said Resolutions be taken into consideration upon Monday next.

The Order of the day being read, for receiving supply the Report from the Committee of Supply of [9th June] the 9th day of this instant June;

Ordered, That the Report be received upon Monday next.

The Order of the day being read, for receiving supply the Report from the Committee of Supply of [14th June] the 14th day of this instant June;

Ordered, That the Report be received upon Monday next.

The Order of the day being read, for taking emergency into consideration His Majesty's Message of the 30th day of May last, relative to the Emergency Powers Act, 1920;

Ordered, That the said Message be taken into consideration upon Thursday next.

The Order of the day being read, for the Ways and Means;

Resolved, That this House will, upon Monday next, resolve itself into the said Committee.

The Order of the day being read, for the Criminal Law Amendment Bill [Lords];

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time upon Wednesday next.
The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Declaration of Rights Bill;—
Ordered, That the Bill be read the second time to-morrow.

The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Trade Disputes Bill;—
Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time upon Monday next.

The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Trade Disputes Bill;—
Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time upon Monday next.

The Order of the day being read, for resuming the adjourned Debate on the Question proposed upon the 3rd day of this instant June, That the Dogs' Protection Bill be now read a second time;—
Ordered, That the Debate be further adjourned till Monday next.

A Motion was made, and the Question being proposed, That an humble Address be presented to His Majesty praying him to annul Regulations 4 of the Draft Regulations made under the Dangerous Drugs Act, 1920, laid upon the Table of this House on the 24th day of May.—(Captain Charles Craig.)
Ordered, That the said Paper do lie upon the Table.

Mr. Baldwin presented, by His Majesty's Gas Regulation Command,—Copy of Draft of a special Order proposed to be made by the Board of Trade under the Gas Regulation Act, 1920, on the application of the Penypool Gas and Water Company. Ordered, That the said Paper do lie upon the Table.

Sir Arthur Griffith-Boscaicen presented, pursuant to the directions of an Act of Parliament,—Copy of the Corn Production (Provisional) Scheme under the Union of Benefices Acts for the year ended 31st March 1921.
Ordered, That the said Paper do lie upon the Table.

Mr. Hilton Young presented, pursuant to the Finance directions of an Act of Parliament,—Copy of Final Accounts of the United Kingdom for the year ended 31st March 1921. Ordered, That the said Paper do lie upon the Table; and be printed. The following Paper, pursuant to the directions of an Act of Parliament, was laid upon the Table of the House:—Copy of Scheme under the Union of Benefices Acts for effecting an union of the Benefices of Bramerton and Burlingham, in the County of Norfolk and diocese of Norwich. Ordered, That the said Paper do lie upon the Table.

The Chairman of Ways and Means reported from the Committee on the Pier and Harbour Provisional Orders (No. 2) Bill, That they had considered the Orders therein contained; that the said Orders ought to be confirmed; and that they had directed him to report the Bill, with Amendments, to the House. Ordered, That the Report do lie upon the Table.

Ordered, That the Bill, as amended in the Committee, be taken into consideration to-morrow.
12 Geo. V. 17th—20th June.

A Motion was made, and the Question being Adjournment, proposed, That this House do now adjourn.—(Colonel Leslie Wilson.)

And it being Five of the clock, the Motion for the Adjournment of the House lapsed, without Question put.

The Order of the day being read, for the Indian Second Reading of the Indian Divorces (Validity) Bill [Lords].

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time upon Tuesday next.

The Order of the day being read, for the National Second Reading of the National Health Insurance Bill.

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time upon Tuesday next.

The Order of the day being read, for the Unemployment Committee on Unemployment Insurance [Payment] Rate:—Resolved, That this House will, upon Monday next, resolve itself into the said Committee.

The Order of the day being read, for the Local Second Reading of the Local Authorities (Disqualification Removal) Bill;

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time upon Tuesday next.

The Order of the day being read, for the Declaration of Rights Second Reading of the Declaration of Rights Bill;

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time upon Monday next.

Whereupon Mr. Speaker adjourned the Adjournment. House without Question put, pursuant to Standing Order No. 3, it being then one minute after Five of the clock, till Monday next.

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Monday, 20th June 1921.

The House met at a quarter of an hour before Three of the clock.

PRAYERS.

The House proceeded to take into consideration the Amendment made by the Lords to the Sutton District Waterworks Bill; and the same was twice read, and agreed to.

Ordered, That the Clerk do carry the Bill to the Lords; and acquaint them that this House hath agreed to the Amendment made by their Lordships.

The Eastbourne Waterworks Bill [Lords] Eastbourne Waterworks 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.

A Motion being made, That the Southampton Corporation Water Bill be now read the third time;
Mr. Baldwin, by His Majesty's Command, acquainted the House that His Majesty, having been informed of the purport of the Bill, gives His Consent, as far as His Majesty's interest is concerned, that the House may do therein as they shall think fit.

Then the Bill was read the third time and passed.

Ordered, That the Clerk do carry the Bill to the Lords, and desire their concurrence.

The House proceeded to take into consideration the Westminster City Council (General Powers) Bill [Lords], as amended in the Committee;

Ordered, That the Bill be read the third time.

The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the County of London Electric Supply Company Bill [Lords];

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time upon Monday next.

The Ministry of Health Provisional Orders (No. 6) Bill was, according to Order, read the third time and passed.

Ordered, That the Clerk do carry the Bill to the Lords, and desire their concurrence.

The House, according to Order, proceeded to take into consideration the Glasgow Corporation Order Confirmation Bill.

Ordered, That the Bill be read the third time to-morrow.

The House, according to Order, proceeded to take into consideration the Ministry of Health Provisional Orders (No. 6) Bill, as amended in the Committee.

Ordered, That the Bill be read the third time to-morrow.

The House, according to Order, proceeded to take into consideration the Pier and Harbour Provisional Orders (No. 5) Bill, as amended in the Committee.

Ordered, That the Bill be read the third time to-morrow.

Sir John Baird presented a Bill to confirm a Provisional Order made by one of His Majesty's Principal Secretaries of State under Section 8 of the Police Act, 1895, uniting the Police and Fire Brigades Pensions Funds of the city of Manchester.

Ordered, That Standing Order 1936 be suspended, and that the Bill be now read the first time.—(The Chairman of Ways and Means.)

The Bill was accordingly read the first time.

Ordered, That the Bill be referred to the Examiners of Petitions for Private Bills; and be printed.

Mr. Cecil Harmsworth presented, by His Treaty of Versailles, a Bill for the purpose of enabling the Her Britannic Majesty's Government to ratify and become a party to the Treaty of Versailles, and all agreements and protocols relating thereto, and for making all necessary arrangements in pursuance thereof. Ordered, That the said Paper do lie upon the Table.

Mr. Pratt presented, pursuant to the directions Scottish Board of Trade, and Belgium, with a view to facilitating Belgian traffic through the Territories of East Africa. Signed at London, 16th March 1920.

Ordered, That the said Paper do lie upon the Table.

Mr. Secretary Shortt presented, pursuant to a Bill to confirm certain Pilotage Orders made by the Board of Trade under the Pilotage Act, 1919, relating to pilotage in the Pilotage Districts of Barrow, Bristol, Cardiff, Gloucester, Llanelli, Newport, Port Talbot, and Swansea.

Ordered, That Standing Order 1936 be suspended, and that the Bill be now read the first time.—(The Chairman of Ways and Means.)
Account of the General Lighthouse Fund, showing Income and Expenditure for the year ended 31st March 1920.

Ordered, That the said Papers do lie upon the Table: and that the Paper relative to General Lighthouse Fund be printed.

Sir Eric Geddes presented, by His Majesty's Command,—Copy of Report of the Rates Advisory Committee on Coastwise Shipping and Exceptional Rates.

Ordered, That the said Paper do lie upon the Table.

Sir John Baird presented a Bill to provide for the time in the British Islands being in advance of Greenwich mean time during a certain period, and in the event of the exercise of such option, to be read a second time to-morrow; and to be printed.

The House, according to Order, resolved itself into a Committee on the Finance Bill.

Clause No. 23 (Termination of excess profits duty).

Amendment proposed, in p. 11, l. 26, after the word "business," to insert the words "or at the option of the taxpayer, the thirty-first day of July, nineteen hundred and twenty-one, the first accounting period of each such trade or business, in the event of the exercise of such option, being re-adjusted accordingly."—(Colonel Hurst.)

Question, That those words be there inserted, put, and negatived.

Another Amendment proposed, in p. 11, l. 33, to leave out from the word "be" to the end of the sub-section, in order to insert the words "the earliest period at which the respective constituents of the amalgamated business would have terminated its liability under excess profits duty if it had remained a separate trade or business; or, at the option of the trade or business concerned, a special accounting period, the date of which is the mean date between the earliest and the latest seventh accounting periods of the constituents of the amalgamated business."—(Captain Wedgwood Benn.)

Question proposed, That the words "the period ending" stand part of the Clause:—Amendment, by leave, withdrawn.

Another Amendment proposed, in p. 12, l. 38, at the end, to add the words,—

"(8) For the purpose of removing doubts, it is hereby declared that in subsection (5) of section 38 of the principal Act, the words "trade or business" shall be substituted for the word "person," and that the necessary verbal alterations shall be deemed to have been made."—(Mr. Holmes.)

Question, That those words be there added, put, and negatived.

Clause agreed to.

Clause No. 24 agreed to.

Clause No. 25 (Amendment of s. 40 (3) of 5 & 6 Geo. 5. c. 59).

Amendment proposed, in p. 13, l. 39, to leave out from the word "way" to the end of the sub-section, in order to insert the words "there shall be granted as an allowance the difference between the original cost price of the asset, plus any subsequent capital expenditure, and its value after the war, and its value after the war for this purpose be its value on the thirty-first day of August, nineteen hundred and twenty-one."—(Sir William Rees.)

Question, That the words proposed to be left out, to the word "thirty-first" in l. 40, stand part of the Clause, put, and agreed to.

Another Amendment proposed, in p. 13, l. 40, to leave out the word "thirty-first," in order to insert the word "fourth."—(Mr. Holmes.)

Question, That the word "thirty-first" stand part of the Clause, put, and agreed to.

Another Amendment proposed, in p. 13, l. 41, at the end to insert the words "and the probable ultimate value in a normal period of such assets or plant."—(Mr. Holmes.)

Question proposed, That those words be there inserted:—Amendment, by leave, withdrawn.

Clause agreed to.

Clause No. 26 (Valuation of stock).

Amendment proposed, in p. 14, l. 11, to leave out the words "and also," in order to insert the word "or."—(Colonel Wedgwood.)

Question put, That the words "and also" stand part of the Clause.

The Committee divided.

Tellers for the Yeas, 
Mr. Leslie Wilson, 218. 
Mr. Dudley Ward, 217.

Tellers for the Noes, 
Mr. George Barker, 39.

An Amendment made.

Another Amendment proposed, in p. 14, l. 17, to leave out the words "First day of January," in order to insert the words "twenty-eighth day of February."—(Mr. Maundole.)

Question proposed, That the words "First day of January" stand part of the Clause:—Amendment, by leave, withdrawn.

Another Amendment made.

Question put, That the Clause, as amended, stand part of the Bill:

The Committee divided.

Tellers for the Yeas, 
Mr. Leslie Wilson, 217. 
Mr. Dudley Ward, 217.

Tellers for the Noes, 
Mr. Lawson, 38. 
Mr. Fred Hall: 39.

Clause No. 27 amended and agreed to.

Clauses No. 28 to No. 33 agreed to.

Clause No. 34 (Amendment of s. 60 of 6 & 7 Geo. 5. c. 24).

Amendment proposed, in p. 16, l. 36, at the end, to add the words "Provided that such powers shall in no case be exercised by the Treasury until and unless the proposed exercise thereof has been specifically submitted to Parliament and Parliament has expressed by resolution its consent thereto."—(Mr. Waddington.)

Question proposed, That those words be there added:—Amendment, by leave, withdrawn.

Question put, That the Clause stand part of the Bill:

The Committee divided.

Tellers for the Colonel Leslie Wilson, 169. 
Mr. McCurdy, 169.

Tellers for the Mr. George Thorne, 54. 
Major Barnes, 54.

Clauses No. 35 to No. 39 agreed to.

Clause No. 40 (Interest on certain loans not to be treated as profits for purposes of corporation profits tax).

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Amendment proposed, in p. 18, l. 34, to leave out from the word "sixty-one" to the second word "shall," in l. 38.—(Colonel Wedgwood.)

Question put, That the words proposed to be left out stand part of the Clause;

The Committee divided.

Tellers for the  
Yea,  
Mr. Leslie Wilson:  165.

Tellers for the  
Noes,  
Mr. Fred Hall:  52.

Another Amendment proposed, in p. 18, l. 38, after the word "apply," to insert the words "and the dividends or interest received from any company the profits of which are exempted from corporation profits tax under the proviso to section fifty-two, sub-section (2), of the Finance Act, 1920."—(Mr. George Balfour.)

Question proposed, That those words be there inserted.—Amendment, by leave, withdrawn.

Another Amendment proposed, in p. 18, l. 40, at the end, to add the words,—

"(2) On and after the fifth day of April, nineteen hundred and twenty-one, the provisions in Part V. of the Finance Act, 1920 (which relate to the corporation profits tax), shall cease to apply to the profits of a society registered under the Industrial and Provident Societies Act, 1893, and paragraph (b) in section fifty-three of the Finance Act, 1920, is hereby repealed."—(Mr. Waterson.)

Question put, That those words be there added;

The Committee divided.

Tellers for the  
Yea,  
Mr. Waterson:  166.

Tellers for the  
Noes,  
Mr. Lawson:  59.

Another Amendment proposed, in p. 18, l. 40, at the end, to add the words,—

"And where the profits are profits or surplus arising from the trading with its own members of a society registered under the Industrial and Provident Societies Act no such corporation profits tax shall be charged."—(Mr. Kidd.)

Question proposed, That those words be there added:

Whereupon motion made, and Question put, That the Chairman do report Progress, and ask leave to sit again.—(Colonel Sir John Hope.)

The Committee divided.

Tellers for the  
Yea,  
Lieutenant-Commander Kenworthy:  58.

Tellers for the  
Noes,  
Mr. Dudley Ward:  166.

Original Question put;

The Committee divided.

Tellers for the  
Yea,  
Mr. Kidd:  95.

Tellers for the  
Noes,  
Colonel Leslie Wilson:  125.

Question put, That the Clause stand part of the Bill;

The Committee divided.

Tellers for the  
Yea,  
Mr. Leslie Wilson:  150.

Tellers for the  
Noes,  
Sir Thomas Bramsen:  36.

Clauses No. 41 and No. 42 agreed to.

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.

The Order of the day being read, for the Unemployment Committee on Unemployment Insurance [Payments]:

Resolved, That this House will, to-morrow, resolve itself into the said Committee.

And the House, having continued to sit till after Twelve of the clock on Tuesday morning:

Tuesday, 21st June 1921:

The Order of the day being read, for resuming Supply the adjourned Debate on the Amendment which, upon the 3rd day of May last, was proposed to be made to the Eleventh of the Resolutions which, upon the 2nd day of May last, were reported from the Committee of Supply of the 21st day of April last;

Ordered, That the Debate be further adjourned till Monday next.

The Order of the day being read, for taking Supply into consideration the Twelfth of the Resolutions which, upon the 2nd day of May last, were reported from the Committee of Supply of the 21st day of April last;

Ordered, That the said Resolution be taken into consideration upon Monday next.

The Order of the day being read, for resuming Supply the adjourned Debate on the Question proposed, upon the 2nd day of May last, That this House doth agree with the Committee in the Third of the Resolutions which, upon the 25th day of May last, were reported from the Committee of Supply of the 21st day of April last;

Ordered, That the Debate be further adjourned till Monday next.

The Order of the day being read, for receiving Supply the Report from the Committee of Supply of the 12th day of May last;

Ordered, That the Report be received this day.

The Order of the day being read, for taking Supply into consideration the Fifth and subsequent Resolutions which, upon the 25th day of May last, were reported from the Committee of Supply of the 24th day of May last;

Ordered, That the said Resolutions be taken into consideration this day.

The Order of the day being read, for receiving Supply the Report from the Committee of Supply of the 9th day of this instant June;

Ordered, That the Report be received this day.

The Order of the day being read, for receiving Supply the Report from the Committee of Supply of the 14th day of this instant June;

Ordered, That the Report be received this day.
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The Order of the day being read, for taking into consideration His Majesty's Message of the 2nd day of May last, relative to the Emergency Powers Act, 1920.

Ordered, That the said Message be taken into consideration upon Monday next.

Reserve Forces (Citation for an Address.)

The Order of the day being read, for resuming the adjourned Debate on the Question proposed upon the 11th day of April last, That an humble Address be presented to His Majesty thanking His Majesty for His Most Gracious Message communicating to this House His Majesty's intention with respect to the Reserve Forces; Ordered, That the Debate be further adjourned till Monday next.

Electricity (Supply) Bill

The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Electricity (Supply) Bill;

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time upon Monday next.

Law of Property Bill [Lords.]

The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Law of Property Bill [Lords.];

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time upon Monday next.

Greenwich Hospital Bill.

The Order of the day being read, for taking into consideration the Greenwich Hospital Bill, not amended in the Standing Committee; Ordered, That the Bill be taken into consideration this day.

Housing (Scotland) Bill (No. 2). Bill

The Order of the day being read, for taking into consideration the Housing (Scotland) (No. 2) Bill, as amended in the Standing Committee; Ordered, That the Bill be taken into consideration this day.

Church of Scotland Bill.

The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Church of Scotland Bill;

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time upon Wednesday next.

Safeguarding of Industries Bill.

The Order of the day being read, for the Committee on the Safeguarding of Industries Bill;

Resolved, That this House will, upon Monday 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, 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.

Greenwich Hospital.

Resolved, That the Expenditure of Greenwich Hospital for the year 1919–20, in excess of the approved Estimate, be sanctioned.—(Commander Eyre-Monsell.)

Guardianship, &c., of Infants Bill.

The Order of the day being read, for taking into consideration the Guardianship, &c., of Infants Bill, as amended in the Standing Committee;

Ordered, That the Bill be taken into consideration this day.

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Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time this day.

Local Elections (Proportional Representation) 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 Local Elections (Proportional Representation) Bill [Lords.];

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time this day.

The Order of the day being read, for the Capital Second Reading of the Capital Punishment (Limitations) Bill;

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time upon Thursday next.

The Order of the day being read, for the Public Second Reading of the Public Defender Bill; Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time upon Thursday next.

The Order of the day being read, for the Trade Second Reading of the Trade Disputes Bill;

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time this day.

The Order of the day being read, for resuming the adjourned Debate on the Question proposed upon the 3rd day of this instant June, That the Dogs Protection Bill be now read a second time. Ordered, That the Debate be further adjourned till this day.

The Order of the day being read, for the Declaration of Second Reading of the Declaration of Rights Bill;

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time this day.

And it being after half-past Eleven of the Adjournment, clock on Monday evening, Mr. Speaker adjourned the House without Question put, pursuant to the Standing Order, it being then three minutes after Twelve of the clock on Tuesday morning, till this day.

[No. 81.]

Tuesday, 21st June 1921.

The House met at a quarter of an hour before Three of the clock.

PRAYERS.

Mr. Speaker laid upon the Table,—Reports 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, with which are applicable thereto, have been complied with, viz.:

Southend Water Bill [Lords.]

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time.

Mr. Speaker laid upon the Table,—Reports 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.:

Ministry of Health Provisional Order (Dover Extension) Bill [Lords.]

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time to-morrow.

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The House proceeded to take into consideration the Lancashire County Council (Drainage) Bill, as amended in the Committee.

Ordered, That the Bill be read the third time.

The Preston's Divorce Bill [Lords] was read a second time, and committed.

The Glasgow 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 occurrence.

The Ministry of Health Provisional Orders (No. 6) Bill was, according to Order, read the third time and passed.

Ordered, That the Clerk do carry the Bill to the Lords, and desire their concurrence.

The Pier and Harbour 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.

A Public Petition was presented, and read; and ordered to lie upon the Table.

Mr. Arthur Balfour presented, pursuant to the directions of several Acts of Parliament,—Copy of Three Orders in Council, dated 10th June 1921, under the Naval and Marine Pay and Pensions Act, 1885.

Copy of Order in Council, dated 10th June, 1921, under the War Office Act, 1870, defining the duties of the Army Council.

Ordered, That the said Papers do lie upon the Table.

Mr. Cecil Harmsworth presented by his Majesty's Command,—Copy of Draft Mandates for Togoland (British) and the Cameroons (British), in the form in which the Council of the League of Nations will be invited to approve them.


Ordered, That the said Papers do lie upon the Table.

Mr. Baldwin presented, by His Majesty's Command,—Copy of Draft of a Special Order proposed to be made by the Board of Trade under the Gas Regulation Act, 1920, on the application of the Havant Gas Company.

Copy of Draft of a special Order proposed to be made by the Board of Trade under the Gas Regulation Act, 1920, on the application of the Hindley Urban District Council.

Mr. Baldwin also presented, pursuant to the directions of an Act of Parliament,—Copy of Report on an application by the Auckworth, Featherston, Purston, and Sharlston Gas Company to the Board of Trade under the Public Utility Companies (Capital Issues) Act, 1920.

Ordered, That the said Papers do lie upon the Table.

Mr. Secretary Shortt presented, by His Majesty's Command,—Copy of Seventy-Fifth Report of the Commissioners of Charitable Donations and Bequests for Ireland, for the year 1919.

Mr. Secretary Shortt also presented, pursuant to the directions of an Act of Parliament,—Copy of Rules, dated 8th June 1921, made by the Lord Chancellor under the Criminal Justice Administration Act, 1914, and the Summary Jurisdiction Act, 1879.

Ordered, That the said Papers do lie upon the Table.

Mr. Fisher presented, by His Majesty's Board of Education (Contributions to the Central Welsh Board) Regulations, 1921, dated 21st June 1921, made by the Board of Education under Section 44 of the Education Act, 1918.

Ordered, That the said Paper do lie upon the Table.

Ordered, That a Message be sent to the Lords to request that their Lordships will be pleased to communicate to this House Copies of the Minutes of Evidence and Proceedings, together with the Documents deposited in the case of Preston's Divorce Bill [Lords].—(The Lord Advocate.)

Captain Starkey reported from the Committee on the Metropolitan Water Board (Various Powers) Bill; That, in pursuance of the Resolution of the House of the 4th day of May last, the Committee had inserted in the Bill the additional provision referred to in the said Resolution.

Captain Starkey further reported from the Committee; That they had examined the allegations contained in the Preamble of the Bill, and amended the same so as to make it consistent with the provisions of the Bill as passed by the Committee, and found the same, as amended, to be true; and had gone through the Bill and made Amendments thereunto.

Ordered, That the Report do lie upon the Table; and be printed.

Mr. William Nicholson reported from Standing Committee A; to whom the Agriculture (Amendment of Legislative Powers) Bill [Lords] was referred; That they had Amendment (Contributions to the Central Welsh Board) gone through the Bill, and had directed him to bring the Bill (Lords) report the same, without Amendment, to the House.

Ordered, That the Report do lie upon the Table; and be printed.

Ordered, That the Minutes of the Proceedings No. 148. of the Standing Committee be printed.

Ordered, That the Bill, not amended in the Standing Committee, be taken into consideration upon Thursday next.

Earl Winterton, Member for the Horsham Division of West Sussex, rose in his place and asked leave to move the Adjournment of the House for the purpose of discussing a definite statement of urgent public importance, viz., the failure of His Majesty's Government to take any effective steps to secure the safety of officers of His Majesty's Army in Ireland when off duty, as shown by the murder of many such officers within the last five days; and the pleasure of the House having been signified, the Motion stood over, under Standing Order No. 10, until a quarter of an hour after Eight of the clock this evening.
Ordered, That leave be given to bring in a Bill to limit the number of Parliamentary Secretaries to the Treasury, and that Mr. Hayward, Captain Wedgwood Benn, Dr. Murray, and Major Mackenzie Wood do prepare and bring in a Bill accordingly.

Mr. Hayward accordingly presented a Bill to limit the number of Parliamentary Secretaries to the Treasury: 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 Unemployment Insurance [Payments.]

(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.)

A Clause (Amendment of 10 & 11 Geo. V, c. 11, s. 20) —(Major Watts Morgan)—brought up, and read the first time.

Motion made, and Question put, That the Clause be read a second time:

The Committee divided.

Tellers for the {Major Watts Morgan,}
Yes, {Mr. Fred Hall: } 66.

Tellers for the {Colonel Leslie Wilson,}
Noes, {Mr. Dudley Ward: } 202.

Another Clause (Amendment of 10 & 11 Geo. V, c. 18, s. 22) —(Mr. George Barker)—brought up, and read the first time.

Motion made, and Question put, That the Clause be read a second time:

The Committee divided.

Tellers for the {Mr. Fred Hall,}
Yes, {Mr. George Barker: } 53.

Tellers for the {Colonel Leslie Wilson,}
Noes, {Mr. Dudley Ward: } 194.

And it being after a quarter-past Eight of the clock, and leave having been given to move the Adjournment of the House under Standing Order No. 10, further Proceeding was postponed without Question put.

A Motion was made, and the Question being put, That this House do now adjourn—(Earl Winterton): —The said Motion was, with leave of the House, withdrawn.

Another Clause (Amendment of 10 & 11 Geo. V, c. 18, s. 23) —(Mr. Hartshorn)—brought up, and read the first time.

Motion made, and Question put, That the Clause be read a second time:

The Committee divided.

Tellers for the {Mr. Hartshorn,}
Yes, {Mr. Fred Hall: } 44.

Tellers for the {Colonel Leslie Wilson,}
Noes, {Mr. Dudley Ward: } 189.

Motion made, and Question put, That the Committee do report Progress and ask leave to sit again—(Mr. Ronald McNeil) —put, and negative.

Another Clause (Abolition of office of assessor) —(Mr. Holmes)—brought up, and read the first time.

Motion made, and Question proposed, That the Clause be read a second time:

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Motion and Clause, by leave, withdrawn.

Another Clause (Exemption from male servant's licence of persons employed by local authorities) —(Mr. Holmes)—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 (Charities, s. 37 (1) (a) of Act of 1918)—(Mr. Godfrey Locker-Lampson)—brought up, and read the first time.

Motion made, and Question put, That the Clause be read a second time:

The Committee divided.

Tellers for the {Mr. Godfrey Locker-Lampson,}
Yes, {Mr. Rawlinson: } 34.

Tellers for the {Colonel Leslie Wilson,}
Noes, {Mr. Mcdardy: } 121.
Another Clause (Alteration of entertainments duty)—(Mr. Newbold)—brought up, and read the first time.

Motion made, and Question put, That the Clause be read a second time:

The Committee divided.

Tellers for the [Mr. Newbold, Yeas, (Mr. Seldon : ] 9.


Another Clause (Exemption of Sewers from income tax)—(Mr. Leslie Scott)—brought up, and read the first and second time, and added to the Bill.

Another Clause (Exemption of superannuation fund from income tax in certain cases)—(Mr. L. Lyle)—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 (Relief in respect of welfare requirements)—(Colonel 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 (Exemption of certain entertainments from entertainments duty)—(Sir William Joyce-Hicks)—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 s. 32 of Finance Act, 1896)—(Captain Sir Beville Stanier)—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 s. 13 of 10 & 11 Geo. V., c. 18)—(Sir William Joyce-Hicks)—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 s. 39 of Finance Act, 1920)—(Mr. Ronald McNeill)—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 (Excess profits duty)—(Mr. Leonard Lyle)—brought up, and read the first time.

Motion made, and Question put, That the Clause be read a second time:

The Committee divided.


Tellers for the [Colonel Leslie Wilson, Noes, (Mr. McCurdy : ] 100.

Another Clause (Spirits in Hospitals)—(Mr. Leonard Lyle)—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 s. 32 of Finance Act, 1896)—(Captain Sir Beville Stanier)—brought up, and read the first time.

Motion made, and Question, That the Clause be read a second time, put, and negatived.

Another Clause (Payment of Super Tax by instalments)—(Captain Sir Beville Stanier)—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 for expenses (clergymen) in certain cases (Schedule F))—(Major Birchall)—brought up, and read the first time.

Motion made, and Question, That the Clause be read a second time, put, and negatived.

Another Clause (Propos ition as to determination of claims for relief in respect of Dominion income tax)—(Captain Boonjer)—brought up, and read the first and second time, and added to the Bill.

Another Clause (Amendment of 10 Edw. VII., c. 8, s. 48)—(Sir John Butler)—brought up, and read the first time.

Motion made, and Question put, That the Clause be read a second time:

The Committee divided.

Tellers for the (Sir John Butler, Yeas, (Mr. Lane Fox : ] 24.

Tellers for the (Colonel Leslie Wilson, Noes, (Mr. McCurdy : ] 77.

Another Clause (Amendment of s. 16 of the Finance Act, 1919)—(Mr. Trevorlyn Thomson)—brought up, and read the first time.

Motion made, and Question, That the Clause be read a second time, put, and negatived.

Another Clause (Relief in respect of welfare requirements)—(Major Birchall)—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 (Rate of stamp duty under 42 & 43 Vict., c. 8)—(Mr. Chancellor of the Exchequer)—brought up, and read the first and second time, and added to the Bill.

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Motion made, and Question, That the Clause be read a second time, put, and negatived.

Another Clause (Objects of national scientific, historic, and artistic interest to be exempt from death duties if sold to national or public institutions)—(Sir Martin Cowsey)—brought up, and read the first and second time, and added to the Bill.

Another Clause (Alteration of entertainments duty)—(Mr. Newbold)—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 (Rate of stamp duty under 42 & 43 Vict., c. 8)—(Mr. Chancellor of the Exchequer)—brought up, and read the first and second time, and added to the Bill.

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.
The Order of the day being read, for taking into consideration the Guardianship, &c., of Infants Bill, as amended in the Standing Committee.

Ordered, That the Bill be taken into consideration this day.

The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Local Authorities (Disqualification Removal) Bill;

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time upon Thursday the 30th day of this instant June.

The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Local Elections (Proportional Representation) Bill [Lords];

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time upon Monday next.

The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Trade Disputes Bill;

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time this day.

The Order of the day being read, for resuming Dogs' Protection Bill; the adjourned Debate on the Question proposed upon the 3rd day of this instant June, That the Dogs' Protection Bill be now read a second time;

Ordered, That the Debate be further adjourned till this day.

The Order of the day being read, for the Declaration of Rights Bill;

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time this day.

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 five minutes before Five of the clock on Wednesday morning, till this day.

The House met at a quarter of an hour before Three of the clock.

P R A Y E R S.

The Batley Corporation Bill was read the third time and passed.

Ordered, That the Clerk do carry the Bill to the Lords, and desire their concurrence.

The House proceeded to take into consideration the Lymington Rural District Council Bill [Lords], as amended in the Committee.

Ordered, That the Bill be read the third time.

The Ministry of Health Provisional Order (Dover Extension) Bill [Lords], was, according to Order, read a second time, and committed.

Mr. Pratt presented, by His Majesty's Command,—Copy of Summary of Returns made to the Scottish Board of Health, in terms of Section 23 of the Housing, Town Planning, &c., Act, 1919.
Ordered, That the Report do lie upon the Table.

Ordered, That the Bill, as amended in the Committee, be taken into consideration to-morrow.

The Chairman of Ways and Means reported from the Committee on the Ministry of Health Provisional Orders (No. 9) Bill; That they had considered the Orders therein contained; that the said Orders ought to be confirmed; and that they had directed him to report the Bill, without Amendment, to the House.

Ordered, That the Report do lie upon the Table.

Ordered, That the Bill be read the third time to-morrow.

Mr. Tyssen Wilson reported from the Select Committee appointed to join with a Committee of the House of Lords on Gas and Water Provisional Order (Shaftesbury Extension) Bill [Lords.]

The Chairman of Ways and Means reported from the Committee on the Cattedown Wharves Bill [Lords.]; That they had examined the allegations contained in the Preamble of the Bill, and amended the same, as amended, to be true; and had gone through the Bill and made Amendments thereunto.

Ordered, That the Report do lie upon the Table.

Ordered, That the Bill be read the third time to-morrow.

The Chairman of Ways and Means reported from the Committee on the Water Board Bill [Lords.]

Ordered, That the Bill do lie upon the Table; and be printed.
The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Increase of Rent (Restrictions) 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 Church of Scotland Bill;

And a Motion being made, and the Question being proposed, That the Bill be now read a second time;

An Amendment was proposed to be made to the Question by leaving out from the word "That," to the end of the Question, and adding the words "as much as the object of the Bill, as stated in the Preamble, is to facilitate the union of churches in Scotland, and as the United Free Church has affirmed that it will not consider union until the Church of Scotland has been freed from State control, not only as regards matters spiritual but also as regards national endowments, and as the Bill deals only with the constitution of the Church of Scotland in matters spiritual, this House declines to proceed further with the Bill until the policy of the Government with regard to the endowments of the Church of Scotland has been formulated and submitted to the House"—(Mr. MacCallum Scott),—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.

The Bill was read a second time, and committed to a Standing Committee.

The Indian Divorces (Validity) Bill [Lords] was, according to Order, read a second time.

A Motion was made, and the Question being put, That this House will immediately resolve itself into the Committee on the Bill—(Mr. Attorney General) :—It passed in the Negative.

Ordered, That the Bill be committed to a Committee of the whole House for to-morrow.—

(Colonel John Gilmore.)

The National Health Insurance Bill was, according to Order, read a second time, and committed to a Standing Committee.

The House, according to Order, proceeded to take into consideration the Housing (Scotland) (No. 2) Bill, as amended in the Standing Committee.

An Amendment was proposed to be made to the Bill, in p. 1, l. 11, by leaving out from the word "Scotland," to the word "or," in l. 12,—(Colonel Sir John Hope.)

And the Question being proposed, That the words proposed to be left out stand part of the Bill:—And a Debate arising thereupon;

And a Motion being made, and the Question being proposed, That the Debate be now adjourned.—(Captain Wedgwood Benn) :—The said Motion was, with leave of the House, withdrawn.

And the Question being again proposed, That the words proposed to be left out stand part of Bill:—The House resumed the Debate.

Ordered, That the Debate be now adjourned. — (Colonel Leslie Wilson.)

Ordered, That the Debate be resumed to-morrow.

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The House divided.
The Yeas to the Right;
The Noes to the Left.
tellers for the [Colonel Perry Williams], 29.
Yeaes: [Major Barnes]
tellers for the [Colonel Leslie Wilson], 131.
Noes: [Mr. McCardy].

So it passed in the Negative.

Another Amendment was proposed to be made to the Question, in l. 3, by inserting after the word "Committee" the words "and to suggest the form in which the Estimates shall be presented for examination."—(Captain Wedgwood Benn.)

And the Question being proposed, That those words be there inserted:—And a Debate arising thereupon;

And it being Eleven of the clock, the Debate stood adjourned.

Ordered, That the Debate be resumed upon Monday next.

Guardianship,
&c., of Infants Bill.

The Order of the day being read, for taking into consideration the Guardianship, &c., of Infants Bill, as amended in the Standing Committee;

Ordered, That the Bill be taken into consideration to-morrow.

Protection of Birds Bill.

The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Protection of Birds Bill;

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time to-morrow.

Criminal Law Amendment Bill [Lords].

The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Criminal Law Amendment Bill [Lords];

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time to-morrow.

Trade Disputes Bill.

The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Trade Disputes Bill;

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time to-morrow.

Dogs’ Protection Bill.

The Order of the day being read, for resuming the adjourned Debate on the Question proposed upon the 3rd day of this instant June, That the Dogs’ Protection Bill be now read a second time;

Ordered, That the Debate be further adjourned till to-morrow.

Declaration of Rights Bill.

The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Declaration of Rights Bill;

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time to-morrow.

Church of England Assembly (Powers) Act, 1919.

Resolved, That, in accordance with the Church of England Assembly (Powers) Act, 1919, this House do direct that the Eclesiastical Commissioners Measure, 1921, be presented to His Majesty for Royal Assent.—(Sir William Mount.)

Adjournment.

And then the House, having continued to sit till five minutes after Eleven of the clock, adjourned till to-morrow.

[No. 83.]

Thursday, 23rd June 1921.

The House met at a quarter of an hour before Three of the clock.

PRAYERS.

The Westminster City Council (General Powers) 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 Ministry of Health Provisional Orders (No. 9) Bill was, according to Order, read the third time and passed.

Ordered, That the Clerk do carry the Bill to the Lords, and desire their concurrence.

The Ministry of Health Provisional Orders (Shaftesbury Extension) 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 Ministry of Health Provisional Orders (No. 7) Bill, as amended in the Committee.

Ordered, That the Bill be read the third time to-morrow.

A Public Petition was presented, and read; and ordered to lie upon the Table.

Sir Arthur Griffith-Boscawen presented, pursuant to the directions of an Act of Parliament,—Copy of Draft Order, relating to lands forming part of Bramshott Common, made by the Minister of Agriculture and Fisheries under the Defence of the Realm (Acquisition of Land) Act, 1916.

Ordered, That the said Paper do lie upon the Table.

Mr. Secretary Shortt 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 of State for the Home Department:

Urban District of Ramsbottom.

Ordered, That the said Paper do lie upon the Table.

Sir Alfred Mond presented, pursuant to the National directions of an Act of Parliament,—Copy of Health Insurance Provisional Regulations, dated 21st June 1921, (Regulations,) made by the Minister of Health amending the National Health Insurance (Medical Benefit) Regulations, 1920, entitled the National Health Insurance (Medical Benefit) Amendment Regulations (No. 4), 1921.

Ordered, That the said Paper do lie upon the Table.
Mr. Baldwin presented, pursuant to the directions of an Act of Parliament,—Copy of Report on an application by the Cambridge University and Town Gaslight Company to the Board of Trade under the Public Utility Companies (Capital Issues) Act, 1920.

Ordered, That the said Paper do lie upon the Table.

The Lords communicate the Minutes of Preston's Evidence and Proceedings taken upon the Second Reading of Preston's Divorce Bill [Lords] as desired by the Commons, with a request that the same may be returned.

Ordered, That the Amendments made by the Housing Bill, Lords to the Housing Bill be taken into consideration upon Monday next; and be printed.

Sir Francis Lowe reported from the Committee of Privy Council on Group G of Private Bills; That, for the convenience of parties, the Committee had adjourned till Monday next, at Eleven of the clock.

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Baldwin.
The Order of the day being read, for receiving Supply, the Report from the Committee of Supply of the [13th May] Report.

Ordered, That the Report be received upon Monday next.

The Order of the day being read, for taking Supply into consideration the Fifth and subsequent [Report].

Resolved, That the said Resolutions be taken into consideration upon Monday next.

The Order of the day being read, for receiving Supply, the Report from the Committee of Supply of the [9th June]. Report.

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 [14th June]. Report.

Ordered, That the Report be received upon Monday next.

The Order of the day being read, for the Wasi and Committee of Ways and Means; Resolved, That this House will, to-morrow, resolve itself into the said Committee.

The Order of the day being read, for taking Emergency into consideration His Majesty’s Message of the 30th day of May last, relative to the Emergency Powers Act, 1920; Ordered, That the said Message be taken into consideration upon Thursday next.

The Order of the day being read, for taking Agriculture into consideration the Agriculture (Amendment) Bill [Lords], not amended in the Standing Committee; Ordered, That the Bill be taken into consideration upon Monday next.

The Order of the day being read, for the Indian Committee on the Indian Divorces (Validity) Bill [Lords], not amended in the Standing Committee; Resolved, That this House will, upon Monday next, resolve itself into the said Committee.

The Order of the day being read, for resuming Housing the adjourned Debate on the Amendment which, upon the 22nd day of this instant June, was proposed to be made on consideration of the Housing (Scotland) (No. 2) Bill, not amended in the Standing Committee; Ordered, That the Debate be further adjourned till Monday next.

The Order of the day being read, for taking Greenwich into consideration the Greenwich Hospital Bill, Hospital Bill, not amended in the Standing Committee; Ordered, That the Bill be taken into consideration upon Monday next.

The Order of the day being read, for the Summer Time Second Reading of the Summer Time Bill; Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time upon Monday next.

The Order of the day being read, for the Finance Bill Committee on the Finance Bill; Resolved, That this House will, to-morrow, resolve itself into the said Committee.
The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Land Nationalisation 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 Diseases of Animals (Scotland) Bill;

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time upon Tuesday the 12th day of July next.

The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Agriculture 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 Capital Punishment (Limitations) 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 Criminal Law Amendment Bill; [Lords];

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time upon Monday next.

The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Trade Disputes Bill;

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time upon Monday next.

The Order of the day being read, for resuming the adjourned Debate on the Question proposed upon the 3rd day of this instant June, That the Dogs' Protection Bill be now read a second time;

Ordered, That the Debate be further adjourned till to-morrow.

The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Declaration of Rights Bill;

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time to-morrow.

And then the House, having continued to sit till twenty-six minutes after Eleven of the clock, adjourned till to-morrow.

STANDING COMMITTEES.

Distribution by Mr. Speaker, pursuant to Standing Order No. 47, of Bills committed to a Standing Committee,

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Mr. Speaker being of opinion that the Church of Scotland Bill is a Bill relating exclusively to Scotland, the Bill will be considered by the Standing Committee on Scottish Bills.

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[No. 84.]

Friday, 24th June 1921.

The House met at Twelve of the clock.

PRAYERS.

A MOTION being made, That the Lancashire County Council (Drainage) Bill be now read the third time; the Secretary Sir Laming Worthington-Evans, 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 His Majesty, as Duke of Lancaster, is concerned therein;

Then the Bill was read the third time and passed.

Ordered, That the Clerk do carry the Bill to the Lords, and desire their concurrence.

The House proceeded to take into consideration the Tendring Hundred Water and Gas Bill [Lords], as amended in the Committee.

Ordered, That the Bill be read the third time.

The Ministry of Health 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.

Sir William Mitchell-Thomson presented a Pilotage Bill to confirm certain Pilotage Orders made by the Board of Trade under the Pilotage Act, 1913, relating to pilotage in the pilotage districts of Arundel, Berwick, and Lancaster.

Ordered, That Standing Order 193a be suspended, and that the Bill be now read the first time.—(The Chairman of Ways and Means.)

The Bill was accordingly read the first time.

Ordered, That the Bill be referred to the Examiners of Petitions for Private Bills; and be printed.

Sir William Mitchell-Thomson presented a Pilotage Provisional Orders Bill to confirm certain Pilotage Orders made by the Board of Trade under the Pilotage Act, 1913, relating to pilotage in the pilotage districts of Aberdeen, Arbroath, Ayr, Inverness, Montrose, and Stonehaven.

Ordered, That Standing Order 193a be suspended, and that the Bill be now read the first time.—(The Chairman of Ways and Means.)

The Bill was accordingly read the first time.

Ordered, That the Bill be referred to the Examiners of Petitions for Private Bills; and be printed.

Mr. Meure presented a Bill to confirm a Glasgow Deaf and Dumb Institution: And Confirmation Bill.
Another Amendment proposed, in p. 23, l. 11, at the end, to insert the words:

"(c) Where the trading stock in hand on the thirty-first day of August, nineteen hundred and twenty-one, consists wholly or in part of raw material, the excess profits duty upon being put into process of manufacture loses its identity the realised price of such material shall be taken to be the market price of such material ruling on the day when it is passed into process of manufacture, and that day shall also be taken to be the day when such material is sold." — (Mr. Holmes.)

Question proposed, That those words be there inserted:—Amendment, by leave, withdrawn.

Another Amendment proposed, in p. 21, l. 10, to leave out from the word "standard" to the word "and" in l. 14, in order to insert the words "maximum amount of profit on which that trade or business would not have been liable to pay excess profits duty in respect of its final accounting period if the pre-war standard of profits for that trade or business had been taken to be the percentage standard." — (Mr. Holmes.)

Question, That the words proposed to be left out stand part of the Schedule, put, and agreed to.

Another Amendment proposed in p. 23, l. 31, to leave out from the word "the" to the word "first" in l. 38, in order to insert the words "maximum amount of profit on which that trade or business would not have been liable to pay excess profits duty in respect of its final accounting period if the pre-war standard of profits for that trade or business had been taken to be the percentage standard." — (Mr. Arthur Michael Samuel.)

Question proposed, That the words proposed to be left out, to the end of l. 34, stand part of the Schedule:—Amendment, by leave, withdrawn.

Another Amendment proposed in p. 24, l. 35, after the first word "period," to insert the words "and so that all adjustments shall be made for increase and decrease of capital accordingly." — (Mr. Arthur Michael Samuel.)

Question proposed, That those words be there inserted:—Amendment, by leave, withdrawn.

Another Amendment proposed in p. 25, l. 28, after the word "accountants," to insert the words "or by a practising professional accountant approved by the Commissioners of Inland Revenue." — (Mr. Charles White.)

Question, That those words be there inserted, put, and negatived.

Schedule agreed to.

Second, Third, and Fourth Schedules 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 Housing Bill, taking into consideration the Amendments made by the Lords to the Housing Bill:

Ordered, That the said Amendments be taken into consideration upon Monday next.
Colonel Gibbs reported from the Committee of Supply of the 23rd day of this instant June several Resolutions, which were read, as follow:

Civil Service Estimates and Supplementary Estimates, 1921-22.

Class II.

Cabinet Offices.

1. That a sum not exceeding £40,089 (income in course of payment during the year ending on the 31st day of March 1922 for the Salary of the Minister without portfolio, and Salaries and Expenses of the Cabinet Offices), and of the Committee of Imperial Defence, including the cost of preparation of War Histories.

Unclassified Services.

2. That a sum not exceeding £21,220,000 (including a Supplementary sum of £8,000,000), 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 1922 for the Salary of the Minister without portfolio, and Salaries and Expenses of the Cabinet Offices, and of the Committee of Imperial Defence, including the cost of preparation of War Histories.

The First Resolution being read a second time;

And a Motion being made, and the Question being put, That further consideration of the Resolution be now adjourned—(Colonel Leslie Wilson).—It was resolved in the Affirmative.

Ordered, That the Resolution be taken into further consideration upon Monday next.

The Second 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 [Colonel Leslie Wilson, 132.]
Mr. Parker:
Tellers for the [Mr. Charles White, 30.]
Mr. Swan:
So it was resolved in the Affirmative.

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.

Ordered, That Colonel Sir William Allen be a Member of the Committee of Public Accounts.—(Colonel Gibbs).

Sir Park Goff reported from the Committee on Group F of Private Bills; That, for the convenience of parties, the Committee had adjourned till Tuesday next, at Eleven of the clock.

Ordered, That the Report do lie upon the Table.

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Mr. Kellaway, by His Majesty's Telegram Command,—Copy of Memorandum on the (Money) Bill.

Telegraph (Money) Bill.

Ordered, That the said Paper do lie upon the Table.

Mr. Arthur Griffith-Boscawen, supported by Mr. Munro and Mr. Solicitor General, presented a Bill to repeal the Corn Production Acts, 1917 to 1920, to make provision as to payments under those Acts in respect of the crops of the current year; to provide funds for agricultural development; to promote the formation of joint consolidation councils and committees for the industry of agriculture; and to make certain consequential amendments in section twelve of the Agriculture Act, 1920: And the same was ordered to be read a second time upon Thursday next; and to be printed.

The House, according to Order, proceeded to take into consideration the Unemployment Insurance Bill, as amended in the Standing Committee.

A Clause was offered to be added to the Bill (Amendment of First Schedule of principal Act).—(Sir Ashton Lister.)

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 (Amendment of 10 & 11 Geo. V., c. 30, s. 7).—(Mr. Mills.)

And the said Clause was brought up, and read the first and second time, and amended; and made part of the Bill.

Another Clause was offered to be added to the Bill (Amendment of 10 & 11 Geo. V., c. 30, s. 8).—(Mr. Clynes.)

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 divided.

The Yeas to the Right;

The Noes to the Left.

 Tellers for the Yeas—Mr. Arthur Henderson, 104, Mr. Neil Maclean; 144. Mr. McCorquodale.

So it passed in the Negative.

Another Clause (Amendment of Part II. of First Schedule to 10 & 11 Geo. V., c. 50)—(Sir Robert Neison)—was twice read, and made part of the Bill.

An Amendment was proposed to be made to the Bill, in p. 1, l. 8, by leaving out the word "fifteen," and inserting the word "eighteen"—(Mr. Robertson),—instead thereof.

And the Question being put, That the word "fifteen" stand part of the Bill;
The House divided.
The Yeas to the Right;
The Noes to the Left.

Tellers for the Yeas: [Colonel Leslie Wilson, Mr. McCardy:]
Tellers for the Noes: [Mr. Neil Maclean, Mr. Griffiths:]

So it was resolved in the Affirmative.

Another Amendment was proposed to be made to the Bill, in p. 2, l. 41, by leaving out subsection (3).—(Mr. William Carter.)

And the Question being put, That the words proposed to be left out stand part of the Bill; The House divided.
The Yeas to the Right;
The Noes to the Left.

Tellers for the Yeas: [Colonel Sir John Gilmore, Mr. McCardy:]
Tellers for the Noes: [Mr. Lawson, Mr. Davison:]

So it was resolved in the Affirmative.

Another Amendment was proposed to be made to the Bill, in p. 3, 1, 9, by inserting at the end thereof the words:—

"Provided that this sub-section shall not apply in the case of a person who is casually employed by the day or half-day." — (Mr. Sexton.)

And the Question being put, That those words be there inserted in the Bill;
The House divided.
The Yeas to the Right;
The Noes to the Left.

Tellers for the Yeas: [Mr. Neil Maclean, Mr. Griffiths:]
Tellers for the Noes: [Colonel Leslie Wilson, Mr. Dudley Ward:]

So it was resolved in the Negative.

Another Amendment was proposed to be made to the Bill, in p. 3, l. 33, by inserting at the end thereof the words:—

"Provided that this sub-section shall not apply in the case of a person who is casually employed by the day or half-day." — (Mr. Sexton.)

And the Question being put, That those words be there inserted in the Bill;
An Amendment was proposed to be made to the proposed Amendment, by leaving out the words "has been," and inserting the word "is;"
—(Mr. Spencer)—instead thereof.

And the Question being put, That the words "has been" stand part of the proposed Amendment:—It was resolved in the Affirmative.

And the Question being put, That the words "and provided that this section shall not apply in any case where application has been made to the Minister to approve a completed scheme on or before the eighth day of June, one thousand nine hundred and twenty-one."—(Sir James Fortescue Plunkett.)

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 leaving out the words "has been," and inserting the word "is;"
—(Mr. Spencer)—instead thereof.

And the Question being put, That the words "has been" stand part of the proposed Amendment:—It was resolved in the Affirmative.

And the Question being put, That the words "and provided that this section shall not apply in any case where application has been made to the Minister to approve a completed scheme on or before the eighth day of June, one thousand nine hundred and twenty-one," be there inserted in the Bill:—It passed in the Negative.

Ordered, That the Bill be read the third time to-morrow.

The Order of the day being read, for taking into consideration the Amendments made by the Lords to the Housing Bill;
The Order of the day being read, for receiving the Report from the Committee of Supply of the 12th day of May last; 
Resolved, That the Report be received upon Wednesday next.

The Order of the day being read, for taking into consideration the Fifth and subsequent Resolutions which, upon the 25th day of May last, were reported from the Committee of Supply of the 24th day of May last.

Ordered, That the said Resolutions be taken into consideration upon Monday next.

The Order of the day being read, for receiving the Report from the Committee of Supply of the 8th 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 14th day of this instant June;

Ordered, That the Report be received upon Wednesday next.

The Order of the day being read, for taking into consideration His Majesty's Message of the 2nd day of May last, relative to the Emergency Powers Act, 1920;

Ordered, That the said Message be taken into consideration upon Monday next.

The Order of the day being read, for resuming the adjourned Debate on the Question proposed upon the 11th day of April last, That an humble Address be presented to His Majesty, thanking His Majesty for His Most Gracious Message communicating to this House His Majesty's intentions with respect to the Reserve Forces;

Ordered, That the Debate be further adjourned till Monday next.

The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Electricity (Supply) 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 of Property Bill [Lords];

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time upon Monday next.

The Order of the day being read, for the Committee on the Safeguarding of Industries Bill;

Resolved, That this House will, upon Wednesday next, resolve itself into the said Committee.

The Order of the day being read, for taking into consideration the Finance Bill, as amended in the Committee;

Ordered, That the Bill be taken into consideration upon Monday next.

The Order of the day being read, for the 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 Guardianship, into consideration the Guardianship, &c., of Orphans of Infants' Bill, as amended in the Standing Committee;

Ordered, That the Bill be taken into consideration to-morrow.

The Order of the day being read, for the Local Elections Second Reading of the Liquor Traffic Local Veto (England and Wales) Bill; 

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time upon Monday the 18th day of July next.

The Order of the day being read for resuming Trade Union the adjourned Debate on the Question proposed Bill, upon the 10th day of this instant June, That the Trade Union Ballot Bill be now read a second time;

Ordered, That the Debate be further adjourned till Wednesday the 27th day of July next.

The Order of the day being read, for the Local Elections Second Reading of the Local Elections (Proportional Representation) Bill [Lords];

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time [Lords] upon Monday next.

The Order of the day being read, for the Capital Second Reading of the Capital Punishment (Limitations) Bill;

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time upon Thursday next.

The Order of the day being read, for the Public Second Reading of the Public Defender Bill;

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time upon Thursday next.

The Order of the day being read, for the Criminal Law Second Reading of the Criminal Law Amendment Bill [Lords];

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time to-morrow.

The Order of the day being read, for the Trade Disputes Second Reading of the Trade Disputes Bill; 

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time to-morrow.

The Order of the day being read, for the Land Second Reading of the Land Nationalisation Nationalisation Bill; 

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time upon Monday next.

The Order of the day being read, for resuming the adjourned Debate on the Question proposed upon the 3rd day of this instant June, That the Dogs' Protection Bill be now read a second time;

Ordered, That the Debate be further adjourned till to-morrow.
The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Declaration of Rights Bill;
Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time to-morrow.

And then the House, having continued to sit till five minutes after Eleven of the clock, adjourned till to-morrow.

[No. 86.]

Tuesday, 28th June 1921.
The House met at a quarter of an hour before Three of the clock.

PRAYERS.

Mr. Speaker laid upon the Table,—Report from one of the Examiners of Petitions for Private Bills, That in the case of the following Bill, originating in the Lords, and referred on the First Reading thereof, the Standing Orders not previously inquired into, which are applicable thereto, have been complied with, viz.:

South Essex Waterworks 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, and referred on the First Reading thereof, the Standing Orders not previously inquired into, which are applicable thereto, have been complied with, viz.:

Pilotage Provisional Orders (No. 6) 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, originating in the Lords, the Standing Orders not previously inquired into, which are applicable thereto, have been complied with, viz.:

London and North Western Railway (Holyhead Harbour Leasing) [Lords].
Ordered, That the Report be referred to the Select Committee on Standing Orders.

The House proceeded to take into consideration the Cattodown Wharves Bill [Lords], as amended in the Committee.
Ordered, That the Bill be read the third time.

The House proceeded to take into consideration the Mid-Glamorgan Water Board Bill [Lords], as amended in the Committee.
Ordered, That the Bill be read the third time.

The House, according to Order, proceeded to take into consideration the North Eastern Railway Bill [Lords], as amended in the Committee.

And Amendments were made to the Bill.
Ordered, That the Bill be read the third time.

The Glasgow Deaf and Dumb Institution Glasgow Deaf 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. Baldwin presented, by His Majesty's Protesting Command,—Copy of Final Report on the Glassware Trade, prepared by a Sub-Committee appointed by the Standing Committee on Trusts, under the Protesting Acts.

Mr. Baldwin also presented, pursuant to the Public Utility directions of an Act of Parliament,—Copies of Reports on applications by the Aylesbury Gas Company; Hatfield Gas Company, Limited; Rickmansworth and Uxbridge Valley Water Company to the Board of Trade under the Public Utility Companies (Capital Issues) Act, 1920.
Ordered, That the said Papers do lie upon the Table.

Dr. Macnamara presented, pursuant to the Unemployment directions of an Act of Parliament,—Copy of Special Order, dated 24th June 1921, made by the Minister of Labour under the Unemployment Insurance Act, 1920, entitled the Unemployment Insurance (Insurance Industry Special Scheme) Order, 1921.
Ordered, That the said Paper do lie upon the Table.

Sir Eric Geddes presented, by His Majesty's Light Command,—Copy of the London and North Western Railway (Wolverhampton and Cannock Chase Light Railway) Amendment Order, 1921, made under the Light Railways Act, 1896 to 1912.
Ordered, That the said Paper do lie upon the Table.

Mr. Secretary Shortt presented, by His Licensing Majesty's Command,—Copy of Statistics as to the operation and administration of the Laws relating to the Sale of Intoxicating Liquor in England and Wales for the year 1920.
Ordered, That the said Paper do lie upon the Table.

Henry Bruce Armstrong, Esquire, Member for New County of Armagh (Mid-Armagh Division), sworn, was sworn.

Mr. John William Willes reported from the Standing Chairmen's Panel; That they had appointed Six William Pearse to act as Chairman of the Standing Committee C (in respect of the National Health Insurance Bill); and Mr. John William Willes to act as Chairman of the Standing Committee on Scotch Bills (in respect of the Church of Scotland Bill).
Ordered, That the Report do lie upon the Table.

Mr. Hodge reported from Standing Committee D, to whom the Merchant Shipping Bill was referred; That they had gone through the Bill and made Amendments thereunto.
Ordered, That the Report do lie upon the Table; and be printed.
Ordered, That the Minutes of the Proceedings of the Standing Committee be printed.
Ordered, That the Bill, as amended in the Bill 134. Standing Committee, be taken into consideration upon Monday next; and be printed.

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Selection (Standing Committee) Standing Committee C.

Sir Samuel Roberts reported from the Committee of Selection; that they had added the following Ten Members to Standing Committee C (in respect of the National Health Insurance Bill):—Colonel Sir William Allen, Mr. Thomas Davies, Mr. Finney, Sir James Greig, Sir Edgar Jones, Sir Alfred Mond, Sir Robert Richardson, Sir Alfred Warren, Colonel Percy Williams and Sir Kingsley Wood.

Scottish Standing Committee.

Sir Samuel Roberts further reported from the Committee; that they had added the following Ten Members to the Standing Committee on Scottish Bills (in respect of the Church of Scotland Bill)—Mr. Broad, Major Breeze, Mr. Grundy, Sir William Lane Mitchell, Mr. John Murray, Major Steel, Sir Arthur Steel-Maitland, Mr. Stewart, Mr. Toutill and Mr. Aunton Williams.

Standing Committee B.

Sir Samuel Roberts further reported from the Committee; that they had discharged the following Member from Standing Committee B:—Mr. Wallace.

Standing Committee C.

Sir Samuel Roberts further reported from the Committee; that they had discharged the following Members from Standing Committee C:—Mr. William Carter, Mr. Spencer, Mr. Watson and Mr. Robert Young; and had appointed in substitution:—Mr. Bromfield, Mr. Cairns, Mr. Knox Davies and Mr. Kennedy.

Ordered, That the Reports do lie upon the Table.

Summary Jurisdiction (Married Persons) Bill 155.

The Order of the day being read, for the Third Reading of the Unemployment Insurance Bill;

And a Motion being made, and the Question being proposed, That the Bill be now read the third time;

An Amendment was proposed to be made to the Question, by leaving out the word "now," and, at the end of the Question, adding the words "upon this day three months."—(Mr. Clynes.)

And the Question being put, That the word "now" stand part of the Question;

The House divided.

The Yeas to the Right:

Tellers for the [Colonel Leslie Wilson, Mr. McCurdy; 240. Yeas, Mr. Arthur Henderson]

Tellers for the [Mr. McCurdy; 81. Nos, Mr. Griffiths;]

So it was resolved in the Affirmative.

The Bill was read the third time and passed.

Ordered, That the Clerk do carry the Bill to the Lords, and desire their concurrence.

Unemployment Insurance Bill.  

The House, according to Order, proceeded to take into consideration the Agriculture (Amendment) Bill [Lords], not amended in the Standing Committee.

Ordered, That the Bill be now read the third time:—The Bill was accordingly read the third time and passed.

Ordered, That the Clerk do carry the Bill to the Lords; and acquaint them that this House hath agreed to the same, without Amendment.

Ordered, That the Debate be resumed to-morrow.

The Order of the day being read, for resuming the adjourned Debate on the Amendment which, upon the 22nd day of this instant June, was proposed to be made on consideration of the Housing (Scotland) (No. 2) Bill, as amended in the Standing Committee.

Which Amendment was, in p. 1, l. 11, to leave out from the word "Scotland" to the word "or," in l. 12.

And the Question being again proposed, That the words proposed to be left out stand part of the Bill:—The House resumed the said adjourned Debate.

And the said proposed Amendment was, with leave of the House, withdrawn.

Then an Amendment was made to the Bill.

Ordered, That the Bill be read the third time to-morrow.

The House, according to Order, proceeded to Greenwich House Bill, not amended in the Standing Committee.

Ordered, That the Bill be now read the third time:—The Bill was accordingly read the third time and passed.

Ordered, That the Clerk do carry the Bill to the Lords, and desire their concurrence.

The House, according to Order, resolved Indian House, Bill, not amended in the Standing Committee, into a Committee on the Indian Divorce (Validity) Bill [Lords].

(In the Committee.)

Clauses No. 1 and No. 2 agreed to.

Bill to be reported.

Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair; and the Chairman of Ways and Means reported, That the Committee had gone through the Bill, and directed him to report the same, without Amendment.

Ordered, That the Bill be now read the third time:—The Bill was accordingly read the third time and passed.

Ordered, That the Clerk do carry the Bill to the Lords; and acquaint them that this House hath agreed to the same, without Amendment.

The Order of the day being read, for the Summer Time Bill;

And a Motion being made, and the Question being proposed, That the Bill be now read a second time:—And a Debate arising thereupon;

The House, according to Order, proceeded to Agriculture (Amendment) Bill [Lords], not amended in the Standing Committee.

Ordered, That the Bill be now read the third time:—The Bill was accordingly read the third time and passed.

Ordered, That the Clerk do carry the Bill to the Lords; and acquaint them that this House hath agreed to the same, without Amendment.

The Order of the day being read, for the Summer Time Bill;
A Motion was made, and the Question being proposed, That this House do now adjourn.—(The Prime Minister):—The said Motion was, with leave of the House, withdrawn.

The Order of the day being read, for resuming the adjourned Debate on the Amendment which, upon the 22nd day of this instant June, was proposed to be made to the Question, That a Select Committee be appointed to examine such of the Estimates presented to this House as may seem fit to the Committee and to report what, if any, economies consistent with the policy implied in those Estimates may be effected therein:

Which Amendment was, in l. 3, after the word "Committee," to insert the words "and to suggest the form in which the Estimates shall be presented for examination."

And the Question being again proposed, That those words be there inserted—The House resumed the said adjourned Debate.

And the Question being put:—It was resolved in the Affirmative.

Another Amendment was proposed to be made to the Main Question so amended in l. 3, by leaving out the words "consistent with the policy implied."—(Lieutenant - Commander Kenworthy.)

And the Question being put, That the words proposed to be left out stand part of the Main Question so amended—It was resolved in the Affirmative.

Then the Main Question, so amended, being put;

Ordered, That a Select Committee be appointed to examine such of the Estimates presented to this House as may seem fit to the Committee, and to suggest the form in which the Estimates shall be presented for examination, and to report what, if any, economies consistent with the policy implied in those Estimates may be effected therein.

A Motion was made, and the Question being proposed, That the Committee do consist of Twenty-four Members.—(Mr. Hilton Young);

An Amendment was proposed to be made to the Question, by adding at the end thereof the words, "and shall be assisted by an officer of the House especially appointed with the title of Examiner of Estimates."

(Captain Wedgwood Benn.)

And the Question being put, That those words be there added;

The House divided.
The Yeas to the Right;
The Noes to the Left;
Tellers for the Yeas,
Mr. Riley, Lieutenant-Commander; 16.
Kenworthy;
Tellers for the Noes,
Colonel Leslie Wilson, 218.
Mr. Dudley Ward;
So it passed in the Negative.

And the Main Question being put:

Ordered, That the Committee do consist of Twenty-four Members.

The Committee was accordingly nominated of Sir Frederick Balling, Major Barnes, Colonel Spender Clay, Captain Charles Craig, Captain Viscount Curzon, Mr. Charles Edwards, Major Eustis, Sir Edgar Jones, Major Christopher Leathley, Mr. Marr, Mr. Martin, Mr. Mills, Captain Moreing, Major William Murray, Sir

Resolved, That Seven be the quorum of the Committee.

Ordered, That the Committee have power to send for persons, papers, and records, and to sit notwithstanding any Adjournment of the House. —(Mr. Hilton Young.)

A Motion was made, and the Question being proposed, That the Committee have power, if they so determine, to sit as two Committees, and in that event to apportion the subjects referred to the Committee between the two Committees, each of which shall have the full powers of the undivided Committee; and that Four be the quorum of each of the two Committees—(Mr. Hilton Young);

The Question was amended, in l. 1, by leaving out the words "sit as two Committees," and inserting the words "appoint one or more sub-Committees."—(Sir Frederick Balling), instead thereof; in l. 3, by leaving out the words "two Committees, each," and inserting the words "sub-Committees, any," instead thereof; and in l. 4, by leaving out the words "each of the two Committees," and inserting the words "any of the sub-Committees," instead thereof.—(Mr. Asa Chamberlain.)

Then the Question, so amended, being put;

Ordered, That the Committee have power, if they so determine, to appoint one or more sub-Committees, and in that event to apportion the subjects referred to the Committee between the sub-Committees, any of which shall have the full powers of the undivided Committee; and that Four be the quorum of any of the sub-Committees.

A Motion was made, and the Question being proposed, That the Committee do report any evidence taken by the Committee, or by either of the divided Committees, to the House—(Mr. Hilton Young); And a Debate arising thereupon;

And it being Eleven of the clock, the Debate stood adjourned.

Ordered, That the Debate be resumed upon Monday next.

The Order of the day being read, for taking into consideration the Overseas Trade (Credit and Insurance) Amendment Bill, as amended in the Standing Committee;

Ordered, That the Bill be taken into consideration to-morrow.

The Order of the day being read, for the 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.

Ordered, That the Committee be Publicly discharged from the Committee of Public Accounts, and that Mr. Reid be added to the Committee.—(Colonel Gibb.)

Ordered, That Colonel Sir William Allen be Publicly discharged from the Committee of Public Accounts��, and that Mr. Reid be added to the Committee.—(Colonel Gibb.)

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 Guardianship, &c., of Infants Bill, as amended in the Standing Committee;
Ordered, That the Bill be taken into consideration to-morrow.

The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Increase of Rent (Restrictions) 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 Criminal Law Amendment Bill [Lords];
Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time to-morrow.

The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Trade Disputes Bill; ordered, That the Bill be read a second time to-morrow.

The Order of the day being read, for resuming the adjourned Debate on the Question proposed upon the 3rd day of this instant June, That the Dogs' Protection Bill, be now read a second time;
Ordered, That the Debate be further adjourned till to-morrow.

The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Declaration of Rights Bill;
Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time to-morrow.

And then the House, having continued to sit till five minutes after Eleven of the clock, adjourned till to-morrow.

[No. 87.]

Wednesday, 29th June 1921.

The House met at a quarter of an hour before Three of the clock.

PRAYERS.

The Tending Hundred Water and Gas Bill [Lords] was read the third time and passed with Amendments.
Ordered, That the Clerk do carry the Bill to the Lords; and acquaint them that this House hath agreed to the same, with Amendments; to which this House doth desire the concurrence of their Lordships.

The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Pilotage Provisional Orders (No. 5) Bill;
Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time upon Wednesday next.

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 Down (West Down Division), in the room of Daniel Martin Wilson, Esquire, &c., who, since his Election for the said County, hath accepted the office of Recorder of Belfast.—(Colonel Leslie Wilson.)

A Public Petition was presented, and read; and ordered to lie upon the Table.

Mr. Hilton Young presented, by His Majesty's Command,—Estimate of a further Sum required to be voted for the Civil Services for the year ending 31st March 1922.
Ordered, That the said Estimate be referred to the Committee of Supply; and be printed.

Mr. Bridgeman presented, by His Majesty's Command,—Copy of Terms of Settlement of the Coal Dispute, dated 28th June 1921.
Ordered, That the said Paper do lie upon the Table.

Sir Eric Geddes presented, pursuant to the Light Railways directions of an Act of Parliament,—Copy of Acts, Report of the Proceedings of the Ministry of Transport under the Light Railways Acts up to 31st December 1920, and of the Proceedings of the Light Railway Commissioners up to the same date.
Ordered, That the said Paper do lie upon the Table.

Mr. Fisher presented, by His Majesty's Command,—Copy of Eighty-second Estimate of a further Sum required to be voted for the Civil Services for the year ending 31st March 1922.
Ordered, That the said Estimate be referred to the Committee of Supply; and be printed.

Mr. Secretary Sherriff presented, by His Public Records Majesty's Command,—Copy of Eighty-second Report of the Deputy Keeper of Public Records.
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:—Account of Cash Receipts and Payments of the Welsh Church Commission under the Welsh Church Act, 1914, for the period 24th September 1914 to 31st December 1920, 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 from the Lords had been brought from the Lords by one of their Clerks, as followeth:—

The Lords have agreed to the Protection of Animals (Scotland) Act (1913) Amendment Bill, with an Amendment; to which the Lords desire the concurrence of this House.

Ordered, That the said Paper be printed.

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The Lords have passed a Bill, intitled An Act to confirm Provisional Order of the Minister of Health relating to Newcastle-under-Lyme; to which the Lords desire the concurrence of this House.

The Lords have passed a Bill, intitled An Act to confirm certain Provisional Orders of the Minister of Health relating to Ossett and Wakefield; to which the Lords desire the concurrence of this House.

Ordered, That the Amendments made by the Lords to the Dentists Bill be taken into consideration to-morrow; and be printed.

The Ministry of Health Provisional Order (Newcastle-under-Lyme Extension) Bill [Lords] was read the first time.

Ordered, That the Bill be referred to the Examiners of Petitions for Private Bills, and be printed.

The Ministry of Health Provisional Orders (Ossett and Wakefield Extension) Bill [Lords] was read the first time.

Ordered, That the Bill be referred to the Examiners of Petitions for Private Bills, and be printed.

The House, according to Order, resolved itself into a Committee on the Safeguarding of Industries Bill.

(In the Committee.)

Clause No. 1 (Charge of customs duties on goods in Schedule).

Amendment proposed, in p. 1, l. 19, after the word "Act," to insert the words "after the first day of January, nineteen hundred and twenty-five."—(Mr. Kiley.)

Question put, That those words be there inserted.

The Committee divided.

Yeas, Mr. Hogge; Mr. George Thorne; Mr. Dudley Ward. 
Noses, Mr. Leslie Wilson, Mr. Mr. Arthur Henderson, Mr. Sir J. McCurdy.

Another Amendment proposed, in p. 1, l. 20, after the word "paid," to insert the words "or bond given for payment within ninety days."—(Mr. Kiley.)

Question proposed, That those words be there inserted.—Amendment, by leave, withdrawn.

Another Amendment proposed, in p. 2, l. 3, at the end, to insert the words,—

"Provided that no duty shall be imposed under this Act which is at variance with any treaty, convention, or engagement with any foreign State in force for the time being."—(Mr. Kiley.)

Question proposed, That those words be there inserted.—Amendment, by leave, withdrawn.

Another Amendment proposed, in p. 2, l. 3, at the end, to insert the words,—

"Provided that no duty shall be charged on any such goods as are shewn to the satisfaction of the Commissioners to have been imported for the purpose of fulfilling any contract made prior to the thirty-first day of May, nineteen hundred and twenty-one."—(Mr. Cautley.)

Question, That those words be there inserted, put, and negatived.

Another Amendment proposed, in p. 2, l. 4, to leave out the words "not being," in order to insert the word "including."—(Major MacKenzie W.)

Question put, That the words "not being" stand part of the Clause.

The Committee divided.

Tellers for the (Colonel Leslie Wilson, Yeas, Mr. Dudley Ward: Mr. McCurdy.)
Tellers for the (Mr. Hogge, Noes, Mr. George Thorne: Mr. Arthur Henderson.)

Another Amendment proposed, in p. 2, l. 10, to leave out sub-section (3).—(Mr. Kiley.)

Question proposed, That the words proposed to be left out, to the word "and" in l. 13, stand part of the Clause:—Amendment, by leave, withdrawn.

And it being Seven of the clock, the Chairman put forthwith the Question necessary to dispose of the business to be concluded at Seven of the clock at this day's sitting.

Question put, That the Clause stand part of the Bill.

The Committee divided.

Tellers for the (Colonel Leslie Wilson, Yeas, Mr. Dudley Ward: Mr. McCurdy.)
Tellers for the (Mr. Hogge, Noes, Mr. George Thorne: Mr. Arthur Henderson.)

Clause No. 2 (Power of Board of Trade to apply Part II. to certain goods).

Amendment proposed, in p. 3, l. 19, to leave out from the word "defined" to the end of l. 25. —(Mr. Laweson.)

Question proposed, That the words proposed to be left out to the word "in," in l. 20, stand part of the Clause:

And it being half-past Ten of the clock, the Chairman put forthwith the Questions on any Amendments moved by the Government, of which notice had been given, to that part of the Bill to be concluded at half-past Ten of the clock at this day's sitting.

Amendments made.

Motion made, and Question put, That the Chairman do report Progress; and ask leave to sit again.—(Colonel Leslie Wilson.)

The Committee divided.

Tellers for the (Colonel Leslie Wilson, Yeas, Mr. McCurdy: Mr. Arthur Henderson.)
Tellers for the (Mr. Laweson, Noes, Mr. McCurdy: Mr. Arthur Henderson.)

The Chairman then proceeded, successively, to put forthwith the Questions on any Amendments moved by the Government, of which notice had been given, to that part of the Bill to be concluded at half-past Ten of the clock at this day's sitting.

Amendments made.

Motion made, and Question put, That the Chairman do report Progress; and ask leave to sit again.—(Colonel Leslie Wilson.)

The Committee divided.

Tellers for the (Colonel Leslie Wilson, Yeas, Mr. McCurdy: Mr. Arthur Henderson.)
Tellers for the (Mr. Laweson, Noes, Mr. Arthur Henderson: Mr. McCurdy.)

Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair; and the Chairman of Ways and Means reported, That the Committee had made Progress in the Bill, and was directed to move, That the Committee may have leave to sit again.

Resolved, That this House will, to-morrow, again resolve itself into the said Committee.
The Order of the day being read, for resuming the adjourned Debate on the Question proposed upon the 28th day of this instant June, That the Summer Time Bill be now read a second time;
Ordered, That the Debate be further adjourned till to-morrow.

The Order of the day being read, for receiving the Report from the Committee of Supply of the 12th 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 14th day of this instant June;
Ordered, That the Report be received to-morrow.

The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Temperance (Scotland) Bill;
Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time to-morrow.

The Order of the day being read, for the Housing (Scotland) (No. 2) Bill;
Ordered, That the Bill be read the third time to-morrow.

The Order of the day being read, for the Overseas Trade (Credits and Insurance) Amendment Bill, as amended in the Standing Committee;
Ordered, That the Bill be read the third time to-morrow.

The House, according to Order, proceeded to take into consideration the Guardianship, &c., of Infants Bill;
Ordered, 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 House, according to Order, proceeded to take into consideration the Guardianship, &c., of Infants Bill, as amended in the Standing Committee.
And it being Eleven of the clock, further consideration of the Bill, as amended, stood adjourned.
Ordered, That the Bill, as amended in the Standing Committee, be taken into further consideration to-morrow.

The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Temperance (England and Wales) Bill;
Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time upon Wednesday the 27th day of July next.

The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Increase of Rent (Restrictions) 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 Criminal Law Amendment Bill [Lords];
Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time to-morrow.

The Order of the day being read, for the Report from the Committee of Supply of the 14th day of this instant June, That the Dogs' Protection Bill be now read a second time;
Ordered, That the Debate be further adjourned till to-morrow.

The Order of the day being read, for the Declaration of Rights Bill;
Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time to-morrow.

And then the House, having continued to Adjourned, sit till twenty minutes after Eleven of the clock, adjourned till to-morrow.

[No. 88.]

Thursday, 30th June 1921.

The House met at a quarter of an hour before Three of the clock.

PRAYERS.

Mr. Speaker laid upon the Table,—Report Private Bills from one of the Examiners of Petitions for [Lords] Standing Orders not previously inquired into, which are applicable thereto, have been complied with, viz.:
Manchester Corporation (General Powers) Bill [Lords].
Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time.

Mr. Speaker laid upon the Table,—Report Provisional Order Bills referred on the First Reading thereof, the Standing Orders which are applicable thereto, have been complied with, viz.:
Manchester (Police, &c.) Provisional Order Bill.
Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time to-morrow.

The London County Council (Money) Bill London County Council was read the third time and passed.
Ordered, That the Clerk do carry the Bill to (Money) Bill the Lords, and desire their concurrence.

The House proceeded to take into consideration the Early Urban District Council Bill [Lords], as amended in the Committee.
Ordered, That the Bill be read the third time.

A Public Petition was presented, and read; and ordered to lie upon the Table.
Mr. Baldwin presented, pursuant to the directions of an Act of Parliament,—Copy of Report on an application by the Old Chesterfield Gas Company to the Board of Trade under the Public Utility Companies (Capital Issues) Act, 1920.

Ordered, That the said Paper do lie upon the Table.

Sir Alfred Mond presented, pursuant to the directions of several Acts of Parliament,—Copy of the Stock Regulations, 1921, amending the Stock Regulations, 1891, 1897, and 1901, proposed to be submitted by the Minister of Health to His Majesty in Council for confirmation.

Ordered, That the said Papers do lie upon the Table.

Sir Eric Geddes presented, pursuant to the directions of an Act of Parliament,—Copy of Report respecting the applications to and proceedings of the Minister of Transport under the Electricity (Supply) Acts, 1882 to 1919, from 27th June 1920 to 31st March 1921.

Ordered, That the said Paper do lie upon the Table; and be printed.

The Lord Advocate presented, by His Majesty's Command,—Copy of Annual Report of the Prison Commissioners for Scotland for the year 1920.

Copy of Ninth Report of the Scottish Land Court under the Small Landholders (Scotland) Acts, 1886 to 1911, for the year 1920.

The Lord Advocate also presented, pursuant to the directions of an Act of Parliament,—Copy of Regulations, dated 31st May 1921, made by the Board of Agriculture for Scotland under the Corn Production Act, 1917, with respect to the Tenure of Office and Procedure of the Central Agricultural Wages Committee for Scotland.

Copy of Regulations, dated 31st May 1921, made by the Board of Agriculture for Scotland under the Corn Production Act, 1917, requiring the discharge of certain duties by District Agricultural Wages Committees and the Central Agricultural Wages Committee, and reserving certain powers and duties to the latter.

Copy of Regulations, dated 31st May 1921, made by the Board of Agriculture for Scotland under the Corn Production Act, 1917, with respect to the Tenure of Office and Procedure of District Agricultural Wages Committees.

Ordered, That the said Papers do lie upon the Table.

Sir William Pearce reported from Standing Committee C, to whom the National Health Insurance Bill was referred; That they had gone through the Bill and made Amendments thereunto.

No. 159. Ordered, That the Report do lie upon the Table; and be printed.

No. 159. Ordered, That the Minutes of the Proceedings of the Standing Committee be printed.

Bill 160. Ordered, That the Bill, as amended in the Standing Committee, be taken into consideration upon Monday next; and be printed.

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Standing Committee D. Annuities Bill (No. 161.)

The Lords have agreed to the Amendments made by this House to the Westminster City Council (General Powers) Bill [Lords.] without any Amendment.

The Lords have passed a Bill, intituled An Act to empower the Hastings Tramways Company, to construct extension tramways in the county borough of Hastings, and for other purposes; to which the Lords desire the concurrence of this House.

Sir William Watson Rutherford reported from Standing Committee D, to whom the Bastardy Bill was referred; That they had gone through the Bill and made Amendments thereunto.

Ordered, That the Report do lie upon the Table; and be printed.

No. 161.

Standing Committee D. Salmon and Freshwater Fisheries Bill.

The Lords have agreed to the Amendments made by this House to the Westminster City Council (General Powers) Bill [Lords.], without any Amendment.

The Lords have passed a Bill, intituled An Act to confirm a Provisional Order under the Private Legislation Procedure (Scotland) Act, 1899, relating to the John Newland Endowment; to which the Lords desire the concurrence of this House.

The Lords have passed a Bill, intituled An Act to dissolve the marriage of Bessie Alice, Marchioness Conyngham, of 15, Somers Place, Paddington, in the county of London, with Frederick William Burton, Marquis Conyngham, a Peer of the Realm, her now husband, and to enable her to marry again, and for other purposes; to which the Lords desire the concurrence of this House.

Conyngham’s Divorce Bill [Lords.] was read the first time, and ordered to be read a second time on Monday next; and to be printed.

The Hastings Tramways (Extension) Bill Hastings (Extension) was read the first time.

Ordered, That the Bill be referred to the Standing Committee, to be taken into consideration upon Monday next; and be printed.

The Bill Hastings (Extension) was read the first time.

Examiners of Petitions for Private Bills.

The John Newland Endowment Order Con- John Newland firmation Bill [Lords.] was ordered (under En- dowment Order Section 7 of the Private Legislation Procedure Confirmation (Scotland) Act, 1899) to be taken into considera- tion to-morrow.

A Motion was made, and the Question being put, That the Proceedings on the Safeguarding the House of Industries Bill and the Overseas Trade (Credits and Insurance) Amendment Bill have precedence this day of the Business of Supply—(Mr. Austen Chamberlain);

The House divided. The Yeas to the Right; The Noes to the Left.

Tellers for the (Colonel Leslie Wilson, Yeas, | Mr. Dudley Ward : | 227.
Mr. Secretary Shortt, supported by Sir Alfred Representation Mond and Sir John Baird, presented a Bill to the People (No. 2) Bill. 1918 to 1920, with respect to interruptions of residence during the qualifying period: And the same was ordered to be read a second time upon Monday next; and to be printed.

A Motion was made, and the Question being put, That the Proceedings on any Lords’ Amendments to the Unemployment Insurance Bill be exempted at this day’s Sitting from the provisions of the Standing Order (Sittings of the House)—(Mr. Austen Chamberlain);

The House divided. The Yeas to the Right; The Noes to the Left.

Tellers for the (Colonel Leslie Wilson, Yeas, | Mr. Dudley Ward : | 233.
Tellers for the | Mr. Alfred Short, | Mr. Davison : | 64.
So it was resolved in the Affirmative.

A Motion was made, and the Question being put, That the Proceedings on any Lords’ Amendments to the Unemployment Insurance Bill be exempted from this day’s Sitting from the provisions of the Standing Order (Sittings of the House)—(Mr. Austen Chamberlain);

The House divided. The Yeas to the Right; The Noes to the Left.

Tellers for the (Colonel Leslie Wilson, Yeas, | Mr. Dudley Ward : | 233.
Tellers for the | Mr. Alfred Short, | Mr. Davison : | 64.
So it was resolved in the Affirmative.

The House, according to Order, resolved itself into Committee on the Safeguarding of Industries Bill.

(1st Sitting.)

Clause No. 2 (Power of Board of Trade to apply Part II. to certain goods). Another Amendment proposed, in p. 3, l. 33, after the word “fulfilled,” to insert the words “and that the effect of an order made under this Part of this Act will not diminish the aggregate employment in the United Kingdom.” (Major Barnes.)
Question proposed, That those words be there inserted:

And it being Seven of the clock, the Chairman proceeded, pursuant to the Order of the House of 13th June, to put forthwith the Question on the Amendment already proposed from the Chair.

Question put, That those words be there inserted.

Tellers for the \(\text{Mr. Hogge,}\)
Yeas, [Mr. George Thorne : ] 93.
Noes, [Mr. McCurdy : ] 222.

The Chairman then proceeded, successively, to put forthwith the Question on any Amendments moved by the Government of which notice had been given and on the Question necessary to dispose of the business to be concluded at Seven of the clock at this day’s sitting.

An Amendment made.

Question put, That the Clause, as amended, stand part of the Bill.

The Committee divided.

Tellers for the \(\text{Colonel Leslie Wilson,}\)
Yeas, [Mr. McCurdy : ] 226.
Noes, [Mr. Hogge : ] 78.

Clause No. 3 (Charge of customs duties on goods to which Part II applies).

Amendment proposed, in p. 4, l. 13, to leave out the word “Kingdom,” to the word “duties,” in line 15. — (Colonel Penny Williams.)

Question put, That the words proposed to be left out stand part of the Clause.

The Committee divided.

Tellers for the \(\text{Colonel Leslie Wilson,}\)
Noes, [Major Barnes : ] 70.

Another Amendment proposed, in p. 4, l. 15, to leave out the word “one-third,” in order to insert the word “one-tenth.” — (Sir Geoffrey Collins.)

Question put, That the word “one-third” stand part of the Clause.

The Committee divided.

Tellers for the \(\text{Colonel Leslie Wilson,}\)

Another Amendment proposed, in p. 4, l. 17, to leave out subsection (2). — (Sir Geoffrey Collins.)

Question put, That the words proposed to be left out, to the word “fifty,” in l. 24, stand part of the Clause.

The Committee divided.

Tellers for the \(\text{Colonel Leslie Wilson,}\)
Yeas, [Mr. Dudley Ward : ] 177.

An Amendment made.

Another Amendment proposed, in p. 4, l. 30, to leave out subsection (3). — (Major Barnes.)

Question proposed, That the words proposed to be left out, to the word “after,” in line 31, stand part of the Clause;

Ordered, That the Debate be resumed upon Monday next.

The Order of the day being read, for the Supply Committee of Supply;

Resolved, That this House will, to-morrow, again resolve itself into the said Committee.

The Order of the day being read for the Overseas Trade (Credit and Insurance) Amendment Bill;

And a Motion being made, and the Question being proposed, That the Chairman do report Progress, and ask leave to sit again. — (Colonel Leslie Wilson.)

The Committee divided.

Tellers for the \(\text{Colonel Leslie Wilson,}\)
Yeas, [Mr. McCurdy : ] 194.
Noes, [Mr. George Thorne : ] 69.

Clause No. 4 (Remission and repayment of duty in certain cases).

Motion made, and Question put, That the Chairman do report Progress, and ask leave to sit again. — (Colonel Leslie Wilson.)

The Committee divided.

Tellers for the \(\text{Colonel Leslie Wilson,}\)
Yeas, [Mr. McCurdy : ] 194.

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 Overseas Trade (Credit and Insurance) Amendment Bill;

And a Motion being made, and the Question being proposed, That the Bill be now read the third time:—And a Debate arising thereupon; And it being Eleven of the clock, the Debate stood adjourned.

Ordered, That the Debate be resumed upon Monday next.

The Order of the day being read, for the 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 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 receiving Supply the Report from the Committee of Supply of [12th May] the 12th 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 [14th June] the 14th day of this instant June;

Ordered, That the Report be received upon Monday next.
The Order of the day being read, for resuming the adjourned Debate on the Question proposed upon the 28th day of this instant June, That the Summer Time Bill be now read a second time;
Ordered, That the Debate be further adjourned till Monday next.

The Order of the day being read, for the Third Reading of the Housing (Scotland) (No. 2) Bill;
Ordered, That the Bill be read a third time to-morrow.

The Order of the day being read, for taking into consideration His Majesty’s Message of the 30th day of May last relative to the Emergency Powers Act, 1920;
Ordered, That the said Message be taken into consideration upon Thursday next.

The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Corn Production Acts (Repeal) Bill;
Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time upon Monday next.

The Order of the day being read, for taking into consideration the Amendments made by the Lords to the Dentists Bill;
Ordered, That the said Amendments be taken into consideration to-morrow.

The Order of the day being read, for taking into further consideration the Guardianship, &c., of Infants Bill, as amended in the Standing Committee;
Ordered, That the Bill be taken into further consideration to-morrow.

The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Capital Punishment (Limitations) Bill;
Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time to-morrow.

The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Public Defender 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 Increase of Rent (Restrictions) 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 Trade Disputes Bill;
Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time upon Monday next.

The Order of the day being read, for resuming the adjourned Debate on the Question proposed upon the 3rd day of this instant June, That the Dogs’ Protection Bill be now read a second time;
Ordered, That the Debate be further adjourned till to-morrow.

The Order of the day being read, for the Declaration of Second Reading of the Declaration of Rights Rights Bill:
Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time to-morrow.

Ordered, That the Amendments made by the Unemployed Lords to the Unemployment Insurance Bill be now taken into consideration.—(Dr. Macnamara.)

The House accordingly proceeded to take the said Amendments into consideration.

The Lords’ Amendment, in p. 3, l. 31, leave out (“notice of a proposal to make such a special order has been published”), and insert (“application has been made to the Minister to approve a special scheme on or”), the first Amendment, being read a second time;

And a Motion being made, and the Question being put, That this House doth disagree with the Lords in the said Amendment.—(Dr. Macnamara);

The House divided.
The Yeas to the Right;
The Noes to the Left.
Tellers for the [Colonel Leslie Wilson, Mr. McCurdy]
Yea, 142.
Tellers for the [Mr. Lawson, Mr. Charles Edwards]
Noes, 32.

So it was resolved in the Affirmative.

Then an Amendment was made to the Bill, instead of the Lords’ Amendment disagreed to, in p. 3, l. 31, by leaving out from the word ‘where,’ to the end of Clause 5, and inserting the words ‘before the eighth day of June, nineteen hundred and twenty-one, a draft scheme appearing to the Minister to be complete has been submitted to him and application has before that date been made to him to approve the scheme in accordance with the provisions of section eighteen of the principal Act,’”—(Dr. Macnamara), instead thereof.

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 disagreed to one of the Amendments made by their Lordships to the Bill and hath made an Amendment to the Bill in lieu thereof; to which this House doth desire the concurrence of their Lordships, and hath agreed to the remaining Amendments made by their Lordships to the Bill.

And it being after half-past Eleven of Adjournment of the clock, Mr. Speaker adjourned the House without Question put, pursuant to the Standing Order, it being then twenty-five minutes before Twelve of the clock, till to-morrow.
The House met at Twelve of the clock.

PRAYERS.

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 Mid-Glamorgan Water Board Bill [Lords.] was read the third time and passed, with Amendments.

ORDERED, That the Clerk do carry the Bill to the Lords; and acquaint them that this House hath agreed to the same, with Amendments; to which this House doth desire the concurrence of their Lordships.

A Motion being made, That the North Eastern Railway Bill [Lords] be now read the third time; The Deputy Chairman, by His Majesty's Command, acquainted the House that His Majesty, having been informed of the purport of the Bill, gives His Consent, as far as His Majesty's interest is concerned, that the House may do therein as they shall think fit. Then the Bill was read the third time and passed, with Amendments.

ORDERED, That the Clerk do carry the Bill to the Lords; and acquaint them that this House hath agreed to the same, with Amendments; to which this House doth desire the concurrence of their Lordships.

The House proceeded to take into consideration the Metropolitan Water Board (Various Powers) Bill, as amended in the Committee.

ORDERED, That the Bill be read the third time.

The House, according to Order, proceeded to take into consideration the John Newland Endowment Order Confirmation Bill [Lords].

ORDERED, That the Bill be read the third time upon Monday next.

Mr. Secretary Guest presented, pursuant to the directions of an Act of Parliament,—Copy of Order under the Air Force (Constitution) Act, 1917.

Mr. Secretary Guest presented, pursuant to the directions of an Act of Parliament,—Copy of Thirty-ninth (Scotland.) Annual Report of the Fishery Board for Scotland, for the year 1920.

ORDERED, That the said Paper do lie upon the Table.

Sir Alfred Mond presented, pursuant to the directions of an Act of Parliament,—Copy of Provisional Regulations, dated 29th June 1921, made by the National Health Insurance Joint Committee, entitled the National Health Insurance (Arrears) Regulations, 1921.

ORDERED, That the said Paper do lie upon the Table.

ORDERED, That there be laid before this House fleets (Great Britain, France, Russia, Germany, Italy, Austria-Hungary, United States of America, and Japan, on the 1st day of February 1921, omitting Battleships, Battle Cruisers, and Cruisers over 20 years old from date of launch, and distinguishing, both built and building, Battleships, Battle Cruisers, Cruisers, Light Cruisers, Armoured Coast Defence Vessels and Monitors, Aircraft Carriers, Flotilla Leaders, Torpedo Boat Destroyers, Torpedo Boats, Submarines, Sloops, Gunboats and Despatch Vessels, and River Gunboats: Return to show date of launch, date of Completion, Displacement, Horse-power, and Armaments, reduced to one common scale (in continuation of Parliamentary Paper, No. 118, of Session 1914).—(Colonel Burgoyne.)

The Order for taking into consideration, upon Monday next, the Salmon and Freshwater Fishery Bill, as amended in the Standing Committee, was read and discharged.

ORDERED, That the Bill be taken into consideration upon Wednesday next.

Mr. Tyson Wilson reported from the Select Committee appointed to join with a Committee of the House of Lords on Gas and Water Bills; That in the case of the Elysham Valley Water Board Bill [Lords], now pending in the Lords, they had examined the allegations contained in the Preamble of the Bill, and amended the same so as to make it consistent with the provisions of the Bill as passed by the Committee, and found the same, as amended, to be true; and that it 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 from Message had been brought from the Lords by one of their Clerks, as followeth:— The Lords do not insist on their Amendment, the Unemployment Insurance Bill to which they had inserted the words, "in lieu thereof, without any Amendment.

ORDERED, That the Criminal Law Amendment Bill [Lords] be read a second time upon Monday next.
Mr. Macpherson, supported by Major Tryon, presented a Bill to amend the War Pensions Acts, 1913 to 1920, and to provide for certain other matters connected with the administration of pensions, grants, and allowances: And the same was ordered to be read a second time upon Friday next; and to be printed.

The House, according to Order, resolved itself into the Committee of Supply.

(1) BiU. - Certificate.
(Scotland) Housing Means.

Mr. Speaker, presented a Bill to amend the War Pensions Acts, being put, That this House approves the policy of His Majesty's Government respecting the several conventions and recommendations of the International Labour Conference at Washington in November 1919—(Dr. Macnamara);


A Motion was made, and the Question being put, That this House approves the policy of His Majesty's Government respecting the several conventions and recommendations of the International Labour Conference at Washington in November 1919—(Dr. Macnamara);


The Order of the day being read, for the Committee on the Safeguarding of Industries Bill:

Resolved, That this House will, upon Monday next, again resolve itself into the said Committee.

The Order of the day being read, for the Committee of Ways and Means;

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So it was resolved in the Affirmative.

The Order of the day being read, for the Committee on the Safeguarding of Industries Bill:

The Lords' Amendments as far as the Amendment in p. 5, l. 22, being read a second time, were agreed to.

The Lords' Amendment in p. 5, l. 22, leave out from ("shall"), to the end of l. 23, and insert ("for the purpose of this section to be treated as being a registered dentist"), the next Amendment, being read a second time;

The said Lords' Amendment was divided.

So much of the Lords' Amendment as proposes to leave out from ("shall") to the end of l. 23, was agreed to.

So much of the Lords' Amendment as proposes to insert ("for the purpose of this section to be treated as being a registered dentist"), was amended by inserting, after the word "treated," the words "in relation to that body corporate, or any other body corporate formed for the purpose of reconstructing that body corporate, or of amalgamating it with any other such body carrying on the business of dentistry at the commencement of this Act,"—(Sir Alfred Mond), and, so amended, was agreed to.

Then the remaining Lords' Amendments, being read a second time, were agreed to.

Ordered, That the Clerk do carry the Bill to the Lords; and acquaint them that this House hath made an Amendment to one of the Lords' Amendments to the Bill, to which this House doth desire the concurrence of their Lordships; and hath agreed to the other Amendments made by their Lordships to the Bill.

A Message was delivered by Lieutenant-Royal Assent. General Sir William Pulteney, K.C.M.G., K.C.M.G., D.S.O., 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, and to a Measure passed under the provisions of the Church of England Assembly (Powers) Act, 1910, 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 and Measure therein mentioned; and that the Lords thereby authorised had declared the Royal Assent to the said Acts and Measure, as follow:

2. Protection of Animals Act (1911) Amendment Act, 1921.
3. Unemployment Insurance (No. 2) Act, 1921.
4. Importation of Plumage (Prohibition) Act, 1921.
5. Agriculture (Amendment) Act, 1921.
6. Indian Divorces (Validity) Act, 1921.
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7. Housing Act, 1921.
8. Dundee Gas Order Confirmation Act, 1921.
The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Declaration of Rights Bill:—
Ordered, That the Debate be further adjourned till Monday next.

Adjourned.

Whereupon Mr. Speaker adjourned the House without Question put, pursuant to Standing Order No. 5, it being then eight minutes after Five of the clock, till Monday next.

PRIVATE BILLS.

12. Pilotage Orders Confirmation (No. 2) Act, 1921.
13. Ministry of Health Provisional Orders Confirmation (No. 1) Act, 1921.
14. Ministry of Health Provisional Orders Confirmation (No. 2) Act, 1921.
15. Ministry of Health Provisional Orders Confirmation (No. 3) Act, 1921.
17. Westgate and Birchington Water Act, 1921.
18. Cambridge University and Town Waterworks Act, 1921.
19. Falmouth Docks Act, 1921.
22. Eastbourne Waterworks Act, 1921.
24. Westminster City Council (General Powers) Act, 1921.
25. Lyminster Rural District Council Act, 1921.

Parochial Church Councils (Powers) Measure, 1921.

Guardianship, &c., of Infants Bill.

The Order of the day being read, for taking into further consideration the Guardianship, &c., of Infants Bill, as amended in the Standing Committee;
Ordered, That the Bill be taken into further consideration upon Monday next.

Capital Punishment (Limitations) Bill.

The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Capital Punishment (Limitations) Bill;
Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time upon Monday next.

Public Defender Bill.

The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Public Defender Bill;
Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time upon Monday next.

Dogs’ Protection Bill.

The Order of the day being read, for resuming the adjourned Debate on the Question proposed upon the 3rd day of June last, That the Dogs’ Protection Bill be now read a second time;
Ordered, That the Debate be further adjourned till Monday next.

Declaration of Rights Bill.

The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Declaration of Rights Bill;
Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time upon Monday next.

Adjourned.

Whereupon Mr. Speaker adjourned the House without Question put, pursuant to Standing Order No. 5, it being then eight minutes after Five of the clock, till Monday next.

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The House met at a quarter of an hour before Three of the clock.

PRAYERS.

The House proceeded to take into considera-
tion the Amendments made by the Lords to the Wrexham and East Denbighshire Water Bill: And the same were twice read, and agreed to.
Ordered, That the Clerk do carry the Bill to the Lords; and acquaint them that this House hath agreed to the Amendments made by their Lordships.

The Earby Urban District Council Bill Earby Urban District Council Bill was read the third time and passed, with Amendments.

Ordered, That the Clerk do carry the Bill to the Lords; and acquaint them that this House hath agreed to the same, with Amendments; to which this House doth desire the concurrence of their Lordships.

The South Essex Waterworks Bill South Essex Waterworks Bill was read a second time, and committed.

The Order of the day being read for the County of London Electric Supply Company Bill [Lords];
Ordered, That the Bill be 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.

Mr. Cecil Harmsworth presented, by His Petroleum Ministry of Health Provisional Orders Confirmation (No. 3) Act, 1921.

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. Amory presented, Return to an Order, [No. 90.] Return to an Order, dated the 1st day of this instant July, for a Return relative to Fleets (Great Britain and Foreign Countries).

Ordered, That the said Return do lie upon the Table; and be printed.

Mr. Baldwin presented, pursuant to the directions of an Act of Parliament.—Copies of Reports to the Board of Trade by the Trinity House of Deptford Stroud, the Commissioners of Northern Lighthouses, and the Commissioners of Irish Lights, of their Inspection of Local Lighthouses, Buoys, and Beacons in 1920.

Ordered, That the said Paper do lie upon the Table.

The Lord Advocate presented, by His National Majesty’s Command,—Copy of Fourteenth Report to the Secretary for Scotland by the Act, 1906.

Ordered, That the said Paper do lie upon the Table.

Board of Trustees for the National Galleries of Scotland for the year ending 31st March 1921.

Ordered, That the said Paper do lie upon the Table.

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Sir Eric Geddes presented, by His Majesty's Command,—Copy of Order under the Roads Act, 1920, dated 23rd June 1921, amending the Road Vehicles (Registration and Licensing) Regulations, 1921, as regards the County Borough of Birmingham.

Ordered, That the said Paper do lie upon the Table.

Post Office
(Inland Post.)

Mr. Keppel presented, pursuant to the directions of an Act of Parliament,—Copy of the Inland Post Amendment (No. 23) Warrant, 1921, dated 11th June 1921.

Ordered, That the said Paper do lie upon the Table.

Business of the House.

Ordered, That the Proceedings on Report of Supply [1st July] and Report of Supply [14th June] be exempted at this day's sitting from the provisions of the Standing Order (Sittings of the House).—(Mr. Austen Chamberlain.)

The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Corn Production Acts (Repeal) Bill.

And a Motion being made, and the Question being proposed, That the Bill be now read a second time;

An Amendment was proposed to be made to the Question, by leaving out the word "now," and, at the end of the Question, adding the words "upon this day three months."—(Mr. Walter Smith.)

And the Question being proposed, That the word "now" stand part of the Question;

And a Debate arising thereupon;

And it being Eleven of the clock, the Debate stood adjourned.

Ordered, That the Debate be resumed to-morrow.

Mr. Edward Wood reported from the Committee of Supply of the 1st day of this instant July a Resolution; which was read, as followeth:

Civil Services Supplementary Estimates, 1921-22.

Unclassified Services.

That a sum not exceeding £10,000,000 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 1922 for a subvention in aid of wages in the Coal Mining Industry.

The said Resolution, being read a second time, was agreed to.

Mr. Edward Wood reported from the Committee of Supply of the 14th day of June last a Resolution; which was read, as followeth:

Civil Services Supplementary Estimates, 1921-22.

Coal Mining Industry (Subvention.)

That a sum not exceeding £27,197,000 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 1922 for Salaries and Expenses in connection with Middle Eastern Services under His Majesty's Secretary of State for the Colonies, including a Grant in Aid.

The said Resolution, being read a second time;

An Amendment was proposed to be made to the Resolution, by leaving out £27,197,000, and inserting £26,197,000,—(Lieutenant-Commander Kenworthy,) instead thereof.

And the Question being put, That £27,197,000 stand part of the Resolution;

The House divided.

The Yeas to the Right;

The Noes to the Left.

Tellers for the [Colonel Leslie Wilson,]
Yea, [Mr. Parker;]
Tellers for the [Lieutenant-Commander Kenworthy,]
Noes, [Mr. Mills;]

So it was resolved in the Affirmative.

And the Resolution was agreed to.

The Order of the day being read, for resuming the adjourned Debate on the Amendment which, [21st April] upon the 3rd day of May last, was proposed to be made to the Eleventh of the Resolutions which, upon the 2nd day of May last, were reported from the Committee of Supply of the 21st day of April last;

Ordered, That the Debate be further adjourned till Monday next.

The Order of the day being read, for taking Supply into consideration the Twelfth of the Resolutions which, upon the 2nd day of May last, were reported from the Committee of Supply of the 21st day of April last;

Ordered, That the said Resolution be taken into consideration upon Monday next.

The Order of the day being read, for resuming Supply the adjourned Debate on the Question proposed [21st April] upon the 2nd day of May last, That this House doth agree with the Committee in the Third of the Resolutions which were then reported from the Committee of Supply of the 21st day of April last;

Ordered, That the Debate be further adjourned till Monday next.

The Order of the day being read, for taking Supply into consideration the Fifth and subsequent [24th May] Resolutions which, upon the 25th day of May last, were reported from the Committee of Supply of the 24th day of May last;

Ordered, That the said Resolutions be taken into consideration upon Monday next.

The Order of the day being read, for receiving Supply the Report from the Committee of Supply of the [9th June] 9th day of June last;

Ordered, That the Report be received upon Monday next.

The Order of the day being read, for taking Supply into further consideration the First of the [29th June] Resolutions which, upon the 24th day of June last, were reported from the Committee of Supply of the 23rd day of June last;

Ordered, That the said Resolution be taken into further consideration upon Monday next.

The Order of the day being read, for taking Emergency into consideration His Majesty's Message of the [Powers Act, 1920.]
2nd day of May last relative to the Emergency Powers Act, 1920;

Ordered, That the said Message be taken into consideration upon Monday next.
Reserve Forces (Motion for an Address.)

The Order of the day being read, for resuming the adjourned Debate on the Question proposed upon the 11th day of April last, That an humble Address be presented to His Majesty thanking His Majesty for His Most Gracious Message communicating to this House His Majesty's intentions with respect to the Reserve Forces;

Ordered, That the Debate be further adjourned till Monday next.

Electricity (Supply) Bill.

The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Electricity (Supply) Bill;

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time upon Monday next.

Law of Property Bill [Lords];

The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Law of Property Bill [Lords];

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second 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 to-morrow.

Estimates Committee.

The Order of the day being read, for resuming the adjourned Debate on the Question proposed upon the 28th day of June last, That the Estimates Committee do report any evidence taken by the Committee, or by either of the divided Committees, to the House. And the Question being again proposed —

The House resumed the said adjourned Debate.

The Question was amended, by leaving out the words "either of the divided Committees," and inserting the words "any of the Sub-Committees" —(Mr. Austen Chamberlain)—instead thereof.

Then the Question, so amended, being put;

Ordered, That the Committee do report any evidence taken by the Committee, or by any of the Sub-Committees, to the House.

The Order of the day being read, for taking into consideration the National Health Insurance Bill, as amended in the Standing Committee;

Ordered, That the Bill be taken into consideration to-morrow.

The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Representation of the People (No. 2) Bill;

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time to-morrow.

Overseas Trade (Credits and Insurance) Bill.

The Order of the day being read, for resuming the adjourned Debate on the Question proposed upon the 30th day of June last, That the Overseas Trade (Credits and Insurance) Bill be now read the third time;

Ordered, That the Debate be further adjourned till to-morrow.


The Order of the day being read, for receiving the Report from the Committee of Supply of the 12th day of May last;

Ordered, That the Report be received upon Monday next.

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The Order of the day being read, for resuming Summer Time Second Reading of the Capital Punishment (Limitations) Bill; Bill.

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time to-morrow.

The Order of the day being read, for the Criminal Law Amendment Bill [Lords];

Ordered, That the Bill be a read second time to-morrow.

The Order of the day being read, for the Capital Second Reading of the Capital Punishment (Limitations) Bill;

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time upon Thursday next.

The House resumed the said adjourned Debate.

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 Safeguarding Committee on the Safeguarding of Industries Bill;

Resolved, That this House will, upon Wednesday 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, to-morrow, resolve itself into the said Committee.

The Order of the day being read, for taking Merchant into consideration the Merchant Shipping Bill, Shipping Bill, as amended in the Standing Committee;

Ordered, That the Bill be taken into consideration to-morrow.

The Order of the day being read, for taking Guardianship into consideration the Children of Unmarried Parents Bill, as amended in the Standing Committee;

Ordered, That the Bill be taken into consideration to-morrow.

The Order of the day being read, for taking further consideration the Guardianship, &c., &c., of Infants of Infants Bill, as amended in the Standing Committee;

Ordered, That the Bill be taken into further consideration to-morrow.

The Order of the day being read, for the Local Elections (Proportional Representation) Bill [Lords];

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time upon Wednesday next.

The Order of the day being read, for the Land Second Reading of the Land Nationalisation Bill;

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time upon Thursday next.

The Order of the day being read, for the Trade Disputes Second Reading of the Trade Disputes Bill;

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time to-morrow.

The Order of the day being read, for the Criminal Law Second Reading of the Criminal Law Amendment Bill [Lords];

Ordered, That the Bill be a read second time to-morrow.
The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Public Defender Bill;  
Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time upon Thursday next.

The Order of the day being read, for resuming the adjourned Debate on the Question proposed upon the 3rd day of June last, That the Dogs' Protection Bill be now read a second time;  
Ordered, That the Debate be further adjourned till to-morrow.

The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Declaration of Rights Bill;  
Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time to-morrow.

And then the House, having continued to sit till twenty-four minutes after Eleven of the clock, adjourned till to-morrow.

[No. 91.]
Tuesday, 5th July 1921.

The House met at a quarter of an hour before Three of the clock.

MR. SPEAKER laid upon the Table,—Report from one of the Examiners of Petitions for Private Bills, That in the case of the following Bill, originating in the Lords, and referred on the First Reading thereof, the Standing Orders not previously inquired into, which are applicable thereto, have been complied with, viz.:-  
  Hastings Tramways (Extension) 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 Bills, referred on the First Reading thereof, no Standing Orders are applicable, viz.:-  
Pilotage Provisional Orders (No. 6) Bill.  
Pilotage Provisional Orders (No. 7) Bill.

Ordered, That the Bills be read a second time to-morrow.

The House proceeded to take into consideration the Amendments made by the Lords to the Radcliffe and Little Lever Joint Gas Board Bill: And the same were twice read, and agreed to.

Ordered, That the Clerk do carry the Bill to the Lords; and acquaint them that this House hath agreed to the Amendments made by their Lordships.

Preston's Divorce Bill [Lords] was read the third time and passed.

Ordered, That the Clerk do carry the Bill to the Lords; and acquaint them that this House hath agreed to the same, without Amendment.


Ordered, That the said Paper do lie upon the Table.

Mr. Hilton Young presented, by His Civil Service Department, by Order of the Lords, the Revised Estimate, for the year 1921-22, for Export Credits. No. 165.

Ordered, That the said Estimate be referred to the Committee of Supply; and be printed.

Sir Arthur Griffith-Boscawen presented, by Core of the Lords, the Report of the Provisional Order Committee, on the proposed Financial Resolution relative to the Bill for the Corn Production Acts (Repeal) Bill.

Sir Arthur Griffith-Boscawen also presented, Diseases of Animals Acts, dated 28th June 1921, revoking the Glasgow (Merklands Wharf) Order of 1921 (No. 2), entitled the Glasgow (Merklands Wharf) Order of 1921 (No. 3).

Ordered, That the said Papers do lie upon the Table.

Sir Alfred Mond presented, by His Majesty's Command,—Copy of Annual Report of the Chief Medical Officer of the Ministry of Health for the year 1920.

Ordered, That the said Paper do lie upon the Table.

Mr. Baldwin presented, by His Majesty's Command,—Copy of Draft, dated 5th July 1921, of the Regulations for Secondary Schools in England, 1921 (excluding Wales and Monmouthshire), proposed to be made by the Board of Education under Section 44 of the Education Act, 1918.

Ordered, That the said Paper do lie upon the Table.

Mr. Fisher presented, by His Majesty's Command,—Copy of Draft, dated 5th July 1921, of the Regulations for Secondary Schools in England, 1921 (excluding Wales and Monmouthshire), proposed to be made by the Board of Education under Section 44 of the Education Act, 1918.

Ordered, That the said Paper do lie upon the Table.

Sir Samuel Roberts reported from the Committee of Selection; That they had discharged the following Member from Standing Committee C.—Mr. Blante.

Ordered, That the Reports do lie upon the Table.

Mr. Tyson Wilson reported from the Select Committee appointed to join with a Committee of the House of Lords on Gas and Water Supplies.
The House divided.
The Yeas to the Right:
The Noes to the Left.
 Tellers for the [Colonel Leslie Wilson, Yeas, [Mr. McCurdy:
 Teller for the [Mr. Arthur Henderson, Nos, [Mr. Thomas Shaw :]
 So it was resolved in the Affirmative.
The Bill was read a second time.
A Motion was made, and the Question being put, That the Bill be committed to a Committee of the whole House—(Mr. Arthur Henderson);
The House divided.
The Yeas to the Right;
The Noes to the Left.
 Tellers for the [Mr. Arthur Henderson, Yeas, [Mr. Thomas Shaw :]
 Teller for the [Colonel Leslie Wilson, Nos, [Mr. McCurdy :]
 So it passed in the Negative.
The Bill was committed to a Standing Committee.

The House, according to Order, proceeded to take into consideration the National Health Insurance Bill, as amended in the Standing Committee.

Ordered, That the Bill be now read the third time;—The Bill was accordingly read the third time and passed.

Ordered, That the Clerk do carry the Bill to the Lords, and desire their concurrence.

The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Representation of the People (No. 2) Bill;

And a Motion being made, and the Question being proposed, That the Bill be now read a second time;—And a Debate arising thereupon;

Colonel Ashley moved, That the Debate be Mr. Speaker now adjourned; but Mr. Speaker, being of opinion that the Motion was an abuse of the Rules of the House, declined to propose the Question thereupon to the House.

And the Question being put;
Ordered, That the Bill be now read a second time.
The Bill was accordingly read a second time, and committed to a Standing Committee.

The Order of the day being read, for resuming Summer Time the adjourned Debate on the Amendment which, Bill,
on the 29th day of June last, was proposed to be made to the Question, That the Summer Time Bill be now read a second time;—Ordered, That the Debate be further adjourned till to-morrow.

The Order of the day being read, for resuming Overseas Trade the adjourned Debate on the Question proposed, Bill,
upon the 30th day of June last, That the Overseas Trade (Credits and Insurance) Amendment Bill be now read the third time.

And the Question being again proposed:— The House resumed the said adjourned Debate.
And it being Eleven of the clock, the Debate stood adjourned;
Ordered, That the Debate be resumed to-morrow.
The Order of the day being read, for 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 Committee of Supply;
Proceeded, 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;
Proceeded, That this House will, to-morrow, resolve itself into the said Committee.

The Order of the day being read, for taking into consideration the Merchant Shipping Bill, as amended in the Standing Committee;
Ordered, That the Bill be taken into consideration to-morrow.

The Order of the day being read, for taking into consideration the Children of Unmarried Parents Bill, as amended in the Standing Committee;
Ordered, That the Bill be taken into consideration to-morrow.

The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Summary Jurisdiction (Married Persons) 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 Increase of Rent (Restrictions) 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 Trade Disputes 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 Criminal Law Amendment Bill [Lords];
Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time to-morrow.

The Order of the day being read, for resuming the adjourned Debate on the Question proposed upon the 3rd day of June last, That the Dogs' Protection Bill, be now read a second time;
Ordered, That the Debate be further adjourned till to-morrow.

The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Declaration of Rights Bill;
Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time to-morrow.

A Motion being made, That this House will, to-morrow, resolve itself into a Committee to consider of authorising the payment, out of moneys to be provided by Parliament, of any expenses incurred in meeting payments in respect of the wheat and oats of the year nineteen hundred and twenty-one if the sums to be paid in respect of each acre on which wheat or oats are produced are the sums of three pounds and four pounds, respectively, instead of sums calculated in manner provided by the Corn Production Acts, 1917 and 1920; and the sum of one million pounds to be applied for the purpose of aiding and developing agriculture in England and Wales and Scotland, under any Act of the present Session, to repeal the Corn Production Acts, 1917 and 1920, to make provision as to payments under those Acts in respect of the crops of the current year, to provide funds for agricultural development, to promote the formation of joint conciliation councils and committees for the industry of agriculture, and to make certain consequential amendments in section twelve of the Agriculture Act, 1920—(Sir Arthur Griffith-Boscawen):
Sir Arthur Griffith-Boscawen, by His Majesty's Command, acquainted the House, that His Majesty, having been informed of the subject matter of this Motion, recommends it to the consideration of the House.
Resolved, That this House will, to-morrow, resolve itself into the said Committee.

And then the House, having continued to Adjournment, sit till three minutes after Eleven of the clock, adjourned till to-morrow.
12 Geo. V. 6th July.

The Bill was accordingly read the first time.

Ordered, That the Bill be referred to the Examiners of Petitions for Private Bills; and be printed.

Mr. Arthur Balfour presented, pursuant to the directions of several Acts of Parliament,—Copy of Order in Council of 27th June 1921 under the British Settlements Act, 1887, entitled the Kenya Colony and Protectorate (Boundaries) Order in Council, 1921.

Copy of Order in Council of 27th June 1921 under the Foreign Jurisdiction Act, 1890, entitled the Kenya Colony and Protectorate (Boundaries) Order in Council, 1921.

Ordered, That the said Papers do lie upon the Table.

Ordered, That the Amendment made by the Lords to the Tithe Annuities Apportionment Bill be now taken into consideration. (—Mr. Protym.)

The House accordingly proceeded to take the said Amendment into consideration; and the same was twice read, and agreed to.

Ordered, That the Clerk do carry the Bill to the Lords; and acquaint them that this House hath agreed to the Amendment made by their Lordships.

Mr. Neville Chamberlain reported from the Select Committee appointed to join with a Committee of the House of Lords on Water Charges Bills: That in the case of the Thames Conservancy Bill they had examined the allegations contained in the Preamble 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.

Sir John William Wilson reported from the Select Committee on Standing Orders several Resolutions; which were read, as follow:

1. That in the case of the Manchester Corporation (General Powers) Bill [Lords], Petition for dispensing with Standing Order 128 in the case of the Petition of the Trustees of the Will of the late Sir Humphrey de Trafford, Baronet, against the Bill, the Standing Order ought to be dispensed with.

2. That in the case of the London and North Western Railway (Holyhead Harbour Leasing) [Lords], Petition for Bill, the Standing Orders ought to be dispensed with; that the parties be permitted to proceed with their Bill.

The said Resolutions, being read a second time, were agreed to.

Sir Samuel Roberts reported from the Committee of Selection; that they had discharged the following Member from Standing Committee C:—Sir Arthur Churchman.

Ordered, That the Report do lie upon the Table.

Mr. John William Wilson reported from the Chairman's Panel; that they had appointed Mr. Turton to act as Chairman of Standing Committee C (in respect of the Corn Production Acts (Repeal) Bill); and Sir William Watson Rutherford to act as Chairman of Standing Committee D (in respect of the Representation of the People (No. 2) Bill).

Ordered, That the Report do lie upon the Table.

Mr. Speaker acquainted the House, That a Message from Lords had been brought from the Lords by one of their Clerks, as followeth:

The Lords have agreed to the Pilotage Provisional Orders (No. 3) Bill, without any Amendment.

The Lords have agreed to the British Dye Staffs Corporation (Railways Transfer) Bill, with any Amendment.

The Lords have agreed to the Middlesex County Council (General Powers) Bill, with any Amendments; to which the Lords desire the concurrence of this House.

The Lords have agreed to the Cardiff Gas Cardiff Gas 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 Tending Hundred Water and Gas Bill [Lords], without any Amendment.

The Lords have passed a Bill, intituled An Act to increase the number of councillors and aldermen of the county borough of West Ham and to alter the wards of the borough, and for other purposes; to which the Lords desire the concurrence of this House.

The West Ham Corporation Bill [Lords] was read the first time.

Ordered, That the Bill be referred to the Examiners of Petitions for Private Bills.

Sir Park Goff reported from the Committee Ministry of the House—on the Ministry of Health Provisional Order (Newark Extension) Bill; That they had considered the Order therein contained; that the said Order ought to be confirmed; and that they had directed him to report the Bill, with an Order, Amendment, to the House.

Ordered, That the Report do lie upon the Table.

Ordered, That the Bill, as amended in the Committee, be taken into consideration to-morrow.

A Motion was made, and the Question being put, That the Proceedings in Committee on the Corn Production Acts (Repeal) [Expenses] be exempted at this day's Sitting from the provisions of the Standing Order (Sittings of the House)—(Mr. Austen Chamberlain);—

The House divided.

The Yeas to the Right:

The Noes to the Left.

Tellers for the (Colonel Leslie Wilson, Mr. McCardy:)

254.

Tellers for the (Major Barnass, Mr. Wignall:)

72.

So it was resolved in the Affirmative.

A Motion was made, and the Question being Railway Bills proposed, That the following provisions have effect with relation to the Committee stage, Report stage, and Third Reading of the Railways Bill:—

Committee Stage.

Part III. (excluding Clauses 52 and 63) shall be allocated by Mr. Speaker to
such Standing Committee, other than Standing Committee B, as Mr. Speaker may determine, and such part of the Bill shall be considered by the Standing Committee to which Mr. Speaker so allocates it as if such part had been a separate Bill which, after committal by the House, had been so allocated.

The remaining provisions of the Bill shall continue allocated to Standing Committee B.

Notwithstanding anything in any Standing Order of the House, Standing Order 27a, relating to the power of the Chair to select and such part of the Bill shall be considered by Committee B, as Mr. Speaker may determine, if not previously brought to a conclusion, shall be brought to a conclusion at the times shown in the third column of that Schedule.

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After this Order comes into operation, any day shall be considered an allotted day for the purposes of this Order on which the Bill is put down as the first Order of the Day, and then proceeded with.

For the purpose of bringing to a conclusion any proceedings which are to be brought to a conclusion on an allotted day and have not previously been brought to a conclusion, Mr. Speaker shall, at the time appointed under this Order for the conclusion of those proceedings, put forthwith the Question on any new Clause, Amendment, or Motion already proposed from the Table, and those proceedings, if not previously brought to a conclusion, shall be brought to a conclusion at the times shown in the third column of that Schedule.

Nothing in this Order shall—

(a) prevent any proceedings which, under this Order, are to be brought to a conclusion on any particular day or at any particular time being proceeded with on any other day or at any other time, or necessitate any particular day or part of a particular day being given to any such proceedings if those proceedings have been otherwise disposed of; or

(b) prevent any other business being proceeded with on any particular day, or part of a particular day, in accordance with the Standing Orders of the House, after any proceedings to be concluded under this Order on that particular day, or part of a particular day, have been disposed of—(Mr. Austen Chamberlain);

An Amendment was proposed to be made to the Question in 15, by leaving out the words "Committee Stage."—(Mr. William Graham.)

And the Question being proposed, That the words "Committee Stage" stand part of the Question.—And a Debate arising thereupon;

Mr. Austen Chamberlain rose in his place and claimed to move, That the Question be now put.

And the Question being put, That the Question be now put;

The House divided.

The Yeas to the Right;

The Noes to the Left.

Tellers for the [Colonel Leslie Wilson. Yeas, Mr. McClure:

Tellers for the [Lieutenant - Commander Kenworthy, Noes, Mr. Hayward:

So it was resolved in the Affirmative.

And the Question being accordingly put, That the words "Committee Stage" stand part of the Question;
The House divided.
The Yeas to the Right;
The Noes to the Left.

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developing agriculture in England and Wales in the manner specified in paragraph (a) of sub-section (1) of section one of the Development and Road Improvements Fund Act, 1909, and as to one hundred and fifty thousand pounds for the like purpose in Scotland.

(Sir Arthur Griffith-Boscawen.)

Thursday, 7th July 1921:

Amendment proposed, in l. 4, after the word "expenses," to insert the words "not exceeding nineteen million pounds."—(Sir Geoffrey Collins.)

Question put, That those words be there inserted.

The Committee divided.

Tellers for the [Mr. Hoggs, Yes, Colonel Penny Williams] 23.
Tellers for the [Mr. McCurdy, Noes, Colonel Leslie Wilson] 115.

Main Question put.

The Committee divided.

Tellers for the [Colonel Leslie Wilson, Yes, Mr. McCurdy] 115.
Tellers for the [Mr. Waterson, Noes, Mr. Lawson] 18.

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 this day.

The Order of the day being read, for resuming Overseas Trade (Credits and Insurance) Amendment Bill, the adjourned Debate on the Question proposed upon the 5th day of this instant July, That the Overseas Trade (Credits and Insurance) Amendment Bill be now read the third time;

Ordered, That the Debate be further adjourned till Friday next.

The Order of the day being read, for resuming Summer Time Bill, the adjourned Debate on the Question proposed upon the 28th day of June last, That the Summer Time Bill be now read a second time;

Ordered, That the Debate be further adjourned till Friday next.

The Order of the day being read, for taking Finance Bill into consideration the Finance Bill, as amended in the Committee;

Ordered, That the Bill be taken into consideration upon Friday next.

The Order of the day being read, for taking Church of Scotland Bill, Scotland Bill, as amended in the Standing Committee;

Ordered, That the Bill be taken into consideration upon Monday next.

The Order of the day being read, for the Safeguarding of Industries 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 Government of Burma Bill [Lords];

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time upon Monday next.
The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Water Undertakings (Modification of Charges) Bill;
Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time upon Friday next.

The Order of the day being read, for the Committee of Supply:
Resolved, That this House will, this day, resolve itself into the said Committee.

The Order of the day being read, for the 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 taking into consideration the Children of Unmarried Parents Bill, as amended in the Standing Committee;  
Ordered, That the Bill be taken into consideration this day.

The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Increase of Rent (Restrictions) 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 Trade Disputes 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 Criminal Law Amendment Bill [Lords];  
Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time this day.

The Order of the day being read, for resuming the adjourned Debate on the Question proposed upon the 3rd day of June last, That the Dogs' Protection Bill be now read a second time;  
Ordered, That the Debate be further adjourned till this day.

The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Declaration of Rights Bill;  
Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time this day.

And it being after half-past Eleven of the clock on Wednesday evening, Mr. Deputy Speaker adjourned the House without Question put, pursuant to the Standing Order, it being then seventeen minutes after One of the clock on Thursday morning, till this day.

STANDING COMMITTEES.

Distribution by Mr. Speaker, pursuant to Standing Order No. 47, of Bills committed to a Standing Committee.

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the maintenance of certain passenger and cargo
sea services in the West Highlands and Islands
of Scotland, and for the conveyance of mails by
certain of the vessels so employed, together with
a Copy of Treasury Minute thereon.—(Mr.
Hilton Young.)

Ordered, That the Guardianship, &c., of
Infants Bill, as amended in the Standing
Committee, be taken into further consideration
upon Monday next.

Sir Francis Losey reported from the Com-
mittee on (Group 11 of Private Bills; That, for
the convenience of parties, the Committee had
adjourned till Monday next, at Twelve of the
clock.

Ordered, That the Report do lie upon the
Table.

Mr. John William Wilson reported from the
Chairmen's Panel; That they had appointed
Sir Halford Mackinder to act as Chairman of
Standing Committee A (in respect of parts of
the Railways Bill allocated to that Committee).

Ordered, That the Report do lie upon the
Table.

Orderd, That a Message be sent to the Lords
to request that their Lordships will be pleased
to communicate to this House Copies of the
Minutes of Evidence and Proceedings, together
with the Documents deposited, in the case of
Conyingham's Divorce Bill [Lords].—(The Lord
Advocate.)

The Chairman of Ways and Means reported
from the Committee on the Ministry of Health
Provisional Order (Taunton Extension) Bill;
That they had considered the Order therein
contained; that the said Order ought to be
confirmed; and that they had directed him to
report the Bill, with Amendments, to the House.

Ordered, That the Report do lie upon the
Table.

Ordered, That the Bill, as amended in the
Committee, be taken into consideration to-
morrow.

The Chairman of Ways and Means reported
from the Committee on the Ministry of Health
Provisional Order (Dover Extension) Bill [Lords];
That they had examined the Order therein
contained; that the said Order ought to be
confirmed; and that they had directed him
to report the Bill, without Amendment, to the
House.

Ordered, That the Report do lie upon the
Table.

Ordered, That the Bill be read the third time
to-morrow.

The Chairman of Ways and Means reported
from the Committee on the Wandsworth,
Wimbledon, and Epsom District Gas Bill [Lords];
That they had examined the allega-
tions contained in the Precambus 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: and be printed.
Standing Committee C.

Sir Samuel Roberts further reported from the Committee; that they had added the following Members to Standing Committee C (in respect of the Corn Production Acts (Repeal) Bill):—Mr. Forrest-Walker, Captain Foxcroft, Mr. Hind, Mr. Jodrell, Mr. Lynn, Mr. Maffan, Mr. Robert Richardson, Colonel Sir Alexander Sprat, Captain Reginald Terrell, and Colonel Willoughby.

Standing Committee U.

Sir Samuel Roberts further reported from the Committee; that they had added the following Eleven Members to Standing Committee D (in respect of the Corn Production Acts (Repeal) Bill):—Mr. Acland, the Lord Advocate, Mr. Cauley, Mr. George Edwards, Captain FitzRoy, Mr. Gardner, Sir Arthur Griffiths-Boscawen, Colonel Walter Gilmour, Sir Evan Jones, Mr. Lons-Fox, Mr. Mann, Mr. Pryzman, Mr. Walter Smith, Mr. Solicitor General, and Mr. Stean.

Standing Committee D.

Sir Samuel Roberts further reported from the Committee; that they had added the following Ten Members to Standing Committee D (in respect of the Representation of the People (No. 2) Bill):—Colonel Ashley, Sir John Baird, Mr. James Brown, Mr. Fowney, Mr. Dennis Herbert, Colonel Claude Launder, Sir Alfred Mond, Dr. Murray, Mr. Secretary Shortt, and Mr. Starrock.

Ordered, That the Reports do lie upon the Table.

The House, according to Order, resolved itself into the Committee of Supply.

(Civil Services Estimates, 1921-22.)(Class II.)

Motion made, and Question proposed, That a sum not exceeding £113,910 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 1922 for the Salaries of the Mines Department of the Board of Trade:

Whereupon Motion made, and Question, That Sub-head A be reduced by £100—(Colonel Spender Clay), 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 Chair;

Ordered, That the Report be received to-morrow.

The Order of the day being read, for taking into consideration His Majesty’s Message of the 30th day of May last, relative to the Emergency Powers Act, 1920; Ordered, That the said Message be taken into consideration upon Thursday next.

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time to-morrow.

The Order of the day being read, for taking into consideration the Children of Unmarried Parents Bill, as amended in the Standing Committee;

Ordered, That the Bill be read into consideration upon Monday next.

The Order of the day being read for the Second Reading of the Land Nationalisation Bill; Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time to-morrow.

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time upon Monday next.

The Order of the day being read, for the Capital Punishment (Limitations) Bill;

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time upon Friday the 15th day of this instant July.

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time upon Monday next.

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time upon Tuesday next.

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time upon Friday the 16th day of this instant July.

Ordered, That the Debate be further adjourned till to-morrow.

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time to-morrow.

And then the House, having continued to sit adjourned till one minute after Eleven of the clock, adjourned till to-morrow.
STANDING COMMITTEES.

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**[No. 94.]**

Friday, 8th July 1921.

The House met at Twelve of the clock.

**PRAYERS.**

County of London
Electric Supply Company Bill

(The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the County of London Electric Supply Company Bill [Lords];)

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time upon Monday next, at a quarter of an hour after Eight of the clock.

The Ministry of Health Provisional Order (Newark Extension) 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 Ministry of Health Provisional Order (Dover Extension) Bill [Lords] was, according to Order, read the third time and passed.

Ordered, That the Clerk do carry the Bill to the Lords, and acquaint them that this House hath agreed to the same, without Amendment.

The House, according to Order, proceeded to take into consideration the Ministry of Health Provisional Order (Taunton Extension) Bill, as amended in the Committee.

Ordered, That the Bill be read the third time upon Monday next.

Mr. Secretary Guest presented, pursuant to the directions of an Act of Parliament,—Copy of Order under the Air Force (Constitution) Act, 1917, revising the Regulations appended to the Order dated 27th January 1921, relative to the Conditions of Service and the Rates and Conditions of Pay, Allowances, and other Emoluments of Members of the Royal Air Force Nursing Service.

Ordered, That the said Paper do lie upon the Table.

Mr. Hilton Young presented,—Return to an Order, dated the 7th day of this instant July, for a Return relative to West Highlands and Islands of Scotland.

Mr. Hilton Young also presented, pursuant to the directions of several Acts of Parliament,—Account of Receipts and Payments under the County Officers and Courts (Ireland) Act, 1877, during the year ended 31st March 1921.

Copy of Treasury Minute, under the Super-Supernumerary Pension Act, 1876, dated 1st July 1921, declaring that certain countries and places shall be deemed to be unhealthy places within the meaning of the Superannuation Act, 1876.

Ordered, That the said Papers do lie upon the Table; and that the said Return be printed.

Sir Samuel Roberts reported from the Comm—Selection mittee of Selection; That they had discharged the following Members from Standing Committee A (during the consideration of the Railways Committee A. (Bill (allotted portions))):—Mr. Bartley Dennis and Mr. Sitek; and had appointed in substitution: Colonel Gretton and Mr. Waterson.

Ordered, That the Report do lie upon the Table.

The Order of the day being read, for the War Pensions Second Reading of the War 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.”—(Mr. Lawson.)

And the Question being put, That the word “now” stand part of the Question:—It was resolved in the Affirmative.

The Bill was read a second time, and committed to a Standing Committee.

The Order of the day being read, for the Water Second Reading of the Water Undertakings (Modification of Charges) Bill;

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time upon Monday next.

The Order of the day being read, for receiving Corn Production Acts (Repeal) [Expenses] ; [Expenses.] Bill;

Ordered, That the Report be received upon Monday next.

The Order of the day being read, for resuming the adjourned Debate on the Question proposed upon the 5th day of this instant July, That the Overseas Trade (Credits and Insurance) Amendment Bill be now read the third time.

Ordered, That the Debate be further adjourned till Monday next.

The Order of the day being read, for resuming the adjourned Debate on the Question proposed upon the 5th day of June last, That the Summer Time Bill be now read a second time;

Ordered, That the Debate be farther adjourned till Thursday next.

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 upon Monday next.

The Order of the day being read, for receiving Supply the Report from the Committee of Supply of [7th July] the 7th day of this instant July;

Ordered, That the Report be received upon Monday next.
The House proceeded to take into consideration the Amendments made by the Lords to the Middlesex County Council (General Powers) Bill; and the same were twice read, and agreed to.

Ordered, That the Clerk do carry the Bill to the Lords; and acquaint them that this House hath agreed to the Amendments made by their Lordships.

The Hastings Tramways (Extension) Bill [Lords] was read a second time, and committed.

The Manchester Corporation (General Powers) Bill [Lords] was, according to Order, read a second time, and committed.

The Ministry of Health Provisional Order (Taunton Extension) 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 Shortt presented, by His Factories and Majesty's Command,—Copy of Annual Report of the Chief Inspector of Factories and Workshops for 1920.

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 11th July 1921, amending the Regulations for the Preliminary Education, Training, and Certification of Teachers for various grades of Schools, 1920.

Ordered, That the said Paper do lie upon the Table.

Mr. Hilton Young presented, pursuant to the Civil List directions of an Act of Parliament,—Copy of List of all Pensions granted during the year ended 31st March 1921, and payable under the provisions of Section 9 (1) of the Civil List Act, 1810.

Ordered, That the said Paper do lie upon the Table; and be printed.

Sir Alfred Mond presented, by His Majesty's Voluntary Command,—Copy of Terms of Appointment of the Voluntary Hospitals Commission.

Ordered, That the said Paper do lie upon the Table.

Sir Eric Geddes presented, pursuant to the Electricity directions of an Act of Parliament,—Copies of Supplementary Acts. Special Orders made by the Electricity Commissioners under the Electricity (Supply) Acts, and confirmed by the Minister of Transport, in respect of—

Urban District of Panteg, in the County of Monmouth; Urban District of Eston, in the County of York (North Riding); Urban District of Bedwas and Machen, in the County of Monmouth; Urban District of Mynyddislwyn, in the County of Monmouth; Urban District of Risca, in the County of Monmouth; Part of the Parish of Stranton, in the Rural District of Hartlepool, in the County of Durham;
254 11th July, 1921.

Borough of Guildford, Parishes of Artington, Merrow, West Chilpcey, Worplesdon, and part of the Parish of Compton, in the Rural District of Guildford, and the Parishes of Shelford and St. Martha, in the Rural District of Hambledon, in the County of Surrey.

Ordered, That the said Paper do lie upon the Table.

Robert Gordon Sharpman-Crawford, Esquire, Member for the County of Down (Mid Down Division), was sworn.

Selection (Standing Committees). Standing Committee A.

Sir Samuel Roberts reported from the Committee of Selection; That they had discharged the following Members from Standing Committee A (during the consideration of the Railways Bill (allotted portions)): Major John Edwards, Sir Evan Jones, Colonel Sir Henry Norris, Major Geoffrey Palmer, Mr. Rafftian, and Sir John Russell; and had appointed in substitution: Major Barnes, Major Cope, Mr. Mason, Mr. Matthews, Colonel Null, and Mr. Waddington.

Standing Committee C.

Sir Samuel Roberts further reported from the Committee; That they had discharged the following Member from Standing Committee C (added in respect of the Corn Production Acts (Repeal) Bill):—Mr. Cauley; and had appointed in substitution: Colonel Rogers.

Ordered, That the Reports do lie upon the Table.

Diseases of Animals (Scotland) Bill.

The Order for reading a second time, to-morrow, the Diseases of Animals (Scotland) Bill, was read, and discharged.

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time upon Tuesday the 2nd day of August next.

Agriculture (Amendment) Bill.

The Order for reading a second time, to-morrow, the Agriculture Amendment Bill, was read, and discharged.

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time upon Tuesday the 2nd day of August next.

Sir Francis Lowe reported from the Committee on the Ministry of Health Provisional Orders (Rotherham and Sheffield Extention) Bill; That they had considered the Orders therein contained; that the Provisional Order relating to Rotherham ought not to be confirmed; that the other Order ought to be confirmed; and that they had directed him to report the Bill, with Amendments, to the House.

Sir Francis Lowe further reported from the Committee on the Ministry of Health Provisional Order (Sheffield Extention) Bill; That they had considered the Provisional Order contained in the Bill; and had directed him to report the Bill to the House, with Amendments, to the Committee.

Ordered, That the Report do lie upon the Table.

Ordered, That the Bill, as amended in the Committee, be taken into consideration to-morrow.

Mr. Baldwin, supported by Sir Alfred Mond, Mr. Munro, and Sir William Mitchell Thomson, presented a Bill to regulate the sale of Clinical Thermometers: And the same was ordered to be read a second time upon Thursday next; and to be printed.

A Motion was made, and the Question being put, That the Proceedings on the Church of Scotland Bill, in Committee of Ways and Means, on the Second Reading of the Water Undertakings (Modification of Charges) Bill be exempted at this day's Sitting from the provisions of the Standing Order (Sittings of the House)—(Mr. Austen Chamberlain):

The House divided.

The Yeas to the Right:

Tellers for the | Colonel Leslie Wilson, 242, Yes, Mr. McCurdy |
Tellers for the | Colonel Percy Williams, 48, Noes, Mr. Charles Edwards |

So it was resolved in the Affirmative.

The House, according to Order, proceeded to take into consideration the Church of Scotland Scotland Bill, as amended in the Standing Committee.

Ordered, That the Bill be now read the third time.—The Bill was accordingly read the third time and passed.

Ordered, That the Clerk do carry the Bill to the Lords, and desire their concurrence.

The House, according to Order, resolved itself into the Committee of Ways and Means.  

(In the Committee.)

Resolved, That in the case of a trade or business formed by the amalgamation, after the fourth day of August, nine hundred and four, of two or more trades or businesses the final accounting period of the amalgamated trades or businesses for the purposes of excess profit duty shall be a period ending upon a mean date to be fixed by reference to the dates on which the final accounting periods of the constituent trades or businesses would respectively have ended if amalgamation had not taken place, and to the respective pre-war standards of profits of the constituent trades or businesses for their last accounting periods prior to amalgamation, and excess profit duty shall be charged accordingly.—(Mr. Hilton Young.)

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 Water Undertakings (Modification of Water Charges) Bill was, according to Order, read a second time, and committed to a Standing Committee.

Sir Arthur Griffith-Boscawen reported from the Committee on Corn Production Acts (Repeal) Production [Expenses], a Resolution; which was read, as amended, on the Second Reading of the Bil.
by any other department, in meeting payments under the said Acts in respect of the wheat and oats of the year nineteen hundred and twenty-one if the sums to be paid in respect of each acre on which wheat or oats are produced are the sums of three pounds and four pounds, respectively, instead of sums calculated in manner provided by the said Acts; and

(b) a sum of one million pounds, to be applied as to eight hundred and fifty thousand pounds for the purpose of aiding and developing agriculture in England and Wales in the manner specified in paragraph (a) of sub-section (1) of section one of the Development and Road Improvements Fund Act, 1899, and as to one hundred and fifty thousand pounds for the like purpose in Scotland.

The said Resolution, being read a second time:

An Amendment was proposed to be made to the Resolution, in l. 12, by leaving out the words “agriculture” to the end of l. 14, and inserting the words “and rural industries in England and Wales by promoting scientific research, instruction, and experiments in the science, methods, and practice of agriculture, — (Major MacKenzie Wood),” instead thereof.

And the Question being proposed, That the words proposed to be left out stand part of the Resolution:—The said proposed Amendment was, with leave of the House, withdrawn.

And the Resolution was agreed to.

Overseas Trade (Credits and Insurance) Amendment Bill.

The Order of the day being read, for resuming the adjourned Debate on the Question proposed upon the 5th day of this instant July, That the Overseas Trade (Credits and Insurance) Amendment Bill be now read the third time.

And the Question being again proposed:—The House resumed the said adjourned Debate.

And the Question being put:

Ordered, That the Bill be now read the third time:—The Bill was accordingly read the third time and passed.

Ordered, That the Clerk do carry the Bill to the Lords, and desire their concurrence (the 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.

JOHN HENRY WHITLEY,
Speaker).

government of Burma Bill [Lords];

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time upon Monday next.

The Order of the day being read, for resuming the adjourned Debate on the Amendment which, upon the 3rd day of May last, was proposed to be made to the Eleventh of the Resolutions which, upon the 2nd day of May last, were reported from the Committee of Supply of the 21st day of April last;

Ordered, That the Debate be further adjourned till Monday next.

The Order of the day being read, for taking into consideration the Twelfth of the Resolutions which, upon the 2nd day of May last, were reported from the Committee of Supply of the 21st day of April last;
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 receiving the Report from the Committee of Supply of the 7th day of this instant July:
Ordered, That the Report be received upon Monday next.

The Order of the day being read, for the Committee of Supply:
Resolved, That this House will, to-morrow, resolve itself into the said Committee.

The House, according to Order, proceeded to take into consideration the Salmon and Freshwater Fisheries Bill, as amended in the Standing Committee;
An Amendment was proposed to be made to the Bill, in p. 1, l. 7, by leaving out the words “or freshwater fish.”—(Lieutenant-Commander Kenworthy.)
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 there being Private Business set down by direction of the Chairman of Ways and Means under Standing Order No. 8, further Proceeding was postponed without Question put.

The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the County of London Electric Supply Company Bill (Lords);
And a Motion being made, and the Question being proposed, That the Bill be now read a second time;
An Amendment was proposed to be made to the Question, by leaving out from the word “That” to the end of the Question, and adding the words “This House declines to give a Second Reading to the Bill until the schemes which have been submitted to the Electricity Commissioners for the constitution of a joint electricity authority under the Electricity (Supply) Act, 1919, for the London and Home Counties Electricity District by the London County Council, the Conference of Local Authorities owning electricity undertakings in Greater London, and the London Electricity Joint Committee, 1920, Limited, have been inquired into by the Commissioners, and an order has been made by them giving effect to the scheme embodying the decisions they arrive at as a result of such inquiry,”—(Mr. Gilibert),—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. Hannan, Sir Frederick Hall: 93.
Tellers for the Noes, Mr. Gilbert, Mr. John Jones: 53.
So it was resolved in the Affirmative.
The Bill was read a second time, and committed.

The Postponed Proceeding on the Amendment proposed on consideration of the Salmon and Freshwater Fisheries Bill, as amended in the Standing Committee, was resumed;
And the Question being put, That the words proposed to be left out stand part of the Bill:—It was resolved in the Affirmative.

A Motion was made, and the Question being proposed, That the Bill be now read the third time:—And a Debate arising thereupon;
And it being Eleven of the clock the Debate stood adjourned:
Ordered, That the Debate be resumed to-morrow.

The Order of the day being read, for taking into further consideration the Guardianship, &c., of Infants Bill, as amended in the Standing Committee:
Ordered, That the Bill be taken into further consideration to-morrow.

The Order of the day being read, for taking into consideration the Children of Unmarried Parents Bill, as amended in the Standing Committee:
Ordered, That the Bill be taken into consideration to-morrow.

The House, according to Order, proceeded to consider the Children of Unmarried Parents Bill, as amended in the Standing Committee;
Ordered, That the Bill be now read the third time:—The Bill was accordingly read the third time and passed.
Ordered, That the Clerk do carry the Bill to the Lords, and desire their concurrence.

The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Land Nationalisation Bill;
Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time upon Wednesday, the 20th day of this instant July.

The Order of the day being read, for the Trade Disputes Bill;
Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time to-morrow.

The Order of the day being read, for resuming the adjourned Debate on the Question proposed for on the 3rd day of June last, That the Dogs’ Protection Bill, be now read a second time:
Ordered, That the Debate be further adjourned till to-morrow.

The Order of the day being read, for the Declaration of Rights Bill;
Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time to-morrow.

A Motion being made, That this House will, Telegraph to-morrow, resolve itself into a Committee to [Money:] consider of authorising the issue, out of the Consolidated Fund, of such sums as are required for the further development of the Telephonic system, and of authorising the Treasury to borrow money, by terminable annuities or Exchequer Bonds, for the issue of such sums, or the repayment thereof to the Consolidated Fund, and of providing for payment of the terminable annuities, or of the principal of, and interest on,
any such Exchequer Bonds, out of moneys provided by Parliament, for Post Office Services, or, if those moneys are insufficient, out of the Consolidated Fund.—(Colonel Leslie Wilson;)

Mr. Attorney General, by His Majesty's Command, acquainted the House that His Majesty, having been informed of the subject-matter of this Motion, recommends it to the consideration of the House.

Resolved, That this House will, to-morrow, resolve itself into the said Committee.

A Motion was made, and the Question being proposed, That this House do now adjourn—(Colonel Leslie Wilson;)

And notice being taken that Forty Members were not present, the House was told by Mr. Speaker; and Forty Members not being present, and it being then after Four of the clock, the House was adjourned by Mr. Speaker, at twenty-one minutes after Eleven of the clock, without a Question first put, till to-morrow.

Distribution by Mr. Speaker, pursuant to Standing Order No. 47, of Bills committed to a Standing Committee.

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[No. 96.]

Tuesday, 12th July 1921.

The House met at a quarter of an hour before Three of the clock.

**PRAYERS.**

Mr. Speaker laid upon the Table,—Report from one of the Examiners of Petitions for Private Bills, That in the case of the following Bill, originating in the Lords, and referred on the First Reading thereof, the Standing Orders not previously inquired into, which are applicable thereto, have been complied with, viz.:-

West Ham Corporation Bill [Lords;]

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time.

The West Ham and Clich��shunt Gas Bill [Lords;] was read the third time and passed, with Amendments.

Ordered, That the Clerk do carry the Bill to the Lords; and acquaint them that this House hath agreed to the same, with Amendments; to which this House doth desire the concurrence of their Lordships.

The House proceeded to take into consideration the Wandsworth, Wimbledon, and Epsom District Gas Bill [Lords;] as amended in the Committee.

Ordered, That the Bill be read the third time.

The House, according to Order, proceeded to take into consideration the Ministry of Health Provisional Order (Sheffield Extension) Bill, as amended in the Committee.

Ordered, That the Bill be read the third time to-morrow.

Ordered, That the Paper relative to Electricity (Supply) Acts, which was presented upon the 11th day of this instant July, be printed.

Mr. Fisher presented, by His Majesty's Command,—Copy of the Training of Teachers (Amending) Regulations (No. 2), 1921, dated 11th July 1921, made by the Board of Education under Section 44 of the Education Act, 1918.

Copy of the Regulations for Scholarships and other Awards in Science for the year 1921, dated 11th July 1921, made by the Board of Education under Section 44 of the Education Act, 1918.

Copy of Draft, dated 4th July 1921, of the Board of Education Regulations for Secondary Schools, Wales (including Monmouthshire), 1921, proposed to be made by the Board of Education under Section 44 of the Education Act, 1918.

Copy of the Preliminary Education and Training of Teachers in Wales (Amending) Regulations (No. 1), 1921, dated 8th July 1921, made by the Board of Education under Section 44 of the Education Act, 1918.

Ordered, That the said Papers do lie upon the Table.

Sir Hamar Greenwood presented, by His Command,—Copy of Twenty-eight Annual Report of the Congested Districts Board for Ireland for the year ended 31st March 1920.

Ordered, That the said Paper do lie upon the Table.

Mr. Hilton Young presented, by His Majesty's Command,—Copy of Statement of Receipts, &c., in respect of Surplus Property held by Government Departments and disposed of, together with a Statement of Sales (approximate figures) from 1st April to 30th June 1921.

Mr. Hilton Young also presented, pursuant to the directions of an Act of Parliament,—Copies of Regulations, dated 27th June 1921, made by the Treasury under the Industrial and Provident Societies Act, 1893, the Friendly Societies Act, 1896, and the Collecting Societies and Industrial Assurance Companies Act, 1896.

Ordered, That the said Papers do lie upon the Table.

Sir Eric Geddes presented, by His Majesty's Command,—Copy of Second Interim Report of the Committee on Inland Waterways (Committee.)

Ordered, That the said Paper do lie upon the Table.

Ordered, That the Amendments made by the Public Health Lords to the Public Health (Officers) (No. 2) (Officers) Bill be now taken into consideration.—(Sir Philip Magnus.)
The House accordingly proceeded to take the said Amendments into consideration: And the same were twice read, and agreed to.

Ordered, That the Clerk do carry the Bill to the Lords; and acquaint them that this House hath agreed to the Amendments made by their Lordships.

Mr. Neville Chamberlain reported from the Select Committee appointed to join with a Committee of the House of Lords on Water (Charges) Bills; That in the case of the Local Conservancy Bill 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; and be printed.

Ordered, That the Minutes of the Proceedings of the Joint Committee on Water (Charges) Bills, be printed.

Ordered, That the Bill, not amended in the Standing Committee, be taken into consideration upon Thursday next.

Sir William Watson Rutherford reported from Standing Committee D, to whom the Reproduction of the People (No. 2) Bill was referred; That they had gone through the Bill, and had directed him to report the same, without Amendment, to the House.

Ordered, That the Report do lie upon the Table; and be printed.

Ordered, That the Minutes of the Proceedings of the Standing Committee be printed.

Ordered, That the Bill, not amended in the Standing Committee, be taken into consideration upon Thursday next.

Sir Samuel Roberts reported from the Committee of Selection; That they had added the following Ten Members to Standing Committee D (in respect of the War Pensions Bill):—Colonel Emes, Major Breeze, Major Cohen, Mr. Griffiths, Mr. Hogge, Mr. Loueson, Captain Losby, Mr. Macpherson, Major Tryon, and Sir Frederick Young.

Ordered, That the Report do lie upon the Table.

Mr. Speaker acquainted the House, That a Message had been brought from the Lords by Mr. Loseby, Sir Thomas Bramsdon, Mr. Cohen, Mr. Macpherson, Mr. Hogge and Mr. Loseby, for the Lords to have agreed to the Amendment made to the Dentists' Bill.

A Motion was made, and the Question being proposed, That leave be given to bring in a Bill to unify the legal profession in England and Wales.—(Mr. Percy.)

And the Motion being opposed, after a brief explanatory statement from the Member who made the Motion and from a Member who opposed it, Mr. Speaker put the Question, pursuant to Standing Order No. 11:—And it was resolved in the Affirmative.

Orderd, That Mr. Percy, Sir Francis Blake, Sir Thomas Bramsdon, Mr. Bottomley, Major Barnes, Sir Harry Brittain, Sir William Jayson-Hicks, Major Christopher Louchter, Sir George Ruxech, Mr. Ree, Sir William Seager, and Mr. Sugden do prepare and bring in the Bill.

Mr. Percy accordingly presented a Bill to Legal Practitioners, Bill 168. The House, according to Order, resolved itself Safeguarding into a Committee on the Safeguarding of Industries Bill.

Clause No. 4 (Remission and repayment of duty in certain cases).

Another Amendment proposed, in p. 5, l. 13, after the word "sold," to insert the words "or bought for delivery."—(Mr. Kiley.)

Question, That those words be there inserted, put, and negatived.

Another Amendment proposed, in p. 5, l. 17, to leave out sub-section (2).—(Mr. Kiley.)

Question put, That the words proposed to be left out, to the word "where," in l. 22, stand part of the Clause.

The Committee divided.

Tellers for the [Colonel Leslie Wilson, Yeas, [Mr. McCurdy:
[218.  Tellers for the [Mr. Murray, Noes, [Mr. Kiley:]
[71.  Another Amendment proposed, in p. 5, l. 22, after the word "where," to insert the words "he shows that."—(Mr. Baldwin.)

Question put, That those words be there inserted, put, and negatived.

Another Amendment proposed, in p. 5, l. 38, at the end, to insert the words—"Where an Order has been made on the ground of depreciation of foreign currency the duty shall be remitted or repaid if the person by whom the duty would be payable or has been paid proves to the satisfaction of the Commissioners that the goods in respect of which the duty is payable were on the first sale thereof in the United Kingdom sold at a price not less than thirty-three and a third per cent, above their value as defined in section ten of this Act."—(Captain Wedgwood Benn.)

Question, That those words be there inserted, put, and negatived.

Another Amendment made.

Another Amendment proposed, in p. 6, l. 9, after the word "purpose," to insert the words "of manufacture, the duty shall be repaid to any person who proves to the satisfaction of the Commissioners that the goods have been so used, and where such goods are used for any other purpose."—(Mr. Trefelyan Thomas.)

Question proposed, That those words be there inserted.
And it being Seven of the clock, the Chairman proceeded, pursuant to the Order of the House of 13th June, to put forthwith any Question on the Amendment already proposed from the Chair.

Question put, That those words be there inserted.

The Committee divided.

Tellers for the Yeas, 

Mr. Trelwley Thomson, 

Mr. Throgmorton: 

78.

Tellers for the Noes, 

Mr. Dudley Ward: 

Mr. Hogge: 

78.

The Chairman then proceeded, successively, to put forthwith the Questions necessary to dispose of the business to be concluded at Seven of the clock at this day’s sitting.

Question put, That the Clause, as amended, stand part of the Bill.

The Committee divided.

Tellers for the Yeas, 

Mr. Leslie Wilson: 

Mr. Curdery: 

275.

Tellers for the Noes, 

Mr. George Thorne: 

Mr. Arthur Henderson: 

73.

Clause No. 7 (Constitution of Committees).

Amendment proposed, in p. 6, l. 39, after the word “A,” to insert the word “select.”—(Captain Wedgwood Benn.)

Question put, That the word “select” be there inserted.

The Committee divided.

Tellers for the Yeas, 

Mr. Arthur Henderson: 

Mr. George Thorne: 

78.

Tellers for the Noes, 

Mr. Curdery: 

294.

And it being after half-past Ten of the clock, the Chairman proceeded, pursuant to the Order of the House of 13th June, successively, to put forthwith the Questions on any Amendments moved by the Government of which notice had been given and the Question necessary to dispose of the business to be concluded at half-past Ten of the clock at this day’s sitting.

Amendments made.

Question put, That the Clause, as amended, stand part of the Bill.

The Committee divided.

Tellers for the Yeas, 

Mr. Leslie Wilson: 

Mr. Curdery: 

225.

Tellers for the Noes, 

Mr. Arthur Henderson: 

Mr. George Thorne: 

78.

Motion made, and Question put, That the Chairman do report Progress, and ask leave to sit again.—(Colonel Gretton)—put, and negatived.

Question, That the Schedule be read a second time, put, and agreed to.

Schedule 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 made Progress in the Bill; and that he was directed to move, That the Committee may have leave to sit again.

Resolved, That this House will, to-morrow, again resolve itself into the said Committee.

Mr. Amery reported from the Committee Ways and Means of Ways and Means of the 11th day of this instant July, a Resolution; which was read, as report followeth:

That in the case of a trade or business formed by the amalgamation, after the fourth day of August, nineteen hundred and fourteen, of two or more trades or businesses the final accounting period of the amalgamated trades or businesses for the purposes of excess profits duty shall be a period ending on a mean date to be fixed by reference to the dates on which the final accounting periods of the constituent trades or businesses would respectively have ended if amalgamation had not taken place, and to the respective pre-war standards of profits of the constituent trades or businesses for their last accounting periods prior to amalgamation, and excess profits duty shall be charged accordingly.

The said Resolution, being read a second time, was agreed to.

Ordered, That it be an instruction to any Committee to which the Finance Bill may be re-committed, that they have power to make provision therein pursuant to the Resolution which was this day reported from the Committee of Ways and Means, and then agreed to by the House.

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, as amended in the Committee, be re-committed to a Committee of the whole House in respect of the Amendments and new Schedule standing on the Paper in the name of Mr. Chancellor of the Exchequer.—(Mr. Austen Chamberlain.)

The House immediately resolved itself into the Committee.

(In the Committee.)

Clause No. 25 amended, and agreed to.

Clause No. 28 amended, and agreed to.

Clause No. 40 amended, and agreed to.

Clause No. 42 amended, and agreed to.

Clause No. 46 amended, and agreed to.

A Schedule (Ascertainment of mean date in the case of Amalgamated Trades or Businesses) —(Mr. Austen Chamberlain)—brought up, and read the first time.

Motion made, and Question proposed, That the Schedule be read a second time.

Motion made, and Question, That the Chairman do report Progress, and ask leave to sit again.—(Colonel Gretton)—put, and negatived.

Question, That the Schedule be read a second time, put, and agreed to.

Schedule 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 made Amendments to the Bill, and added a new Schedule thereunto.

Ordered, That the Bill, as amended in the Bill 170, Committee, and on re-committal, be taken into consideration to-morrow; and be printed.
The Order of the day being read, for the Increase of Rent (Restrictions) Bill;
Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time to-morrow.

The Order of the day being read, for the Trade Disputes Second Reading of the Trade Disputes Bill;
Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time to-morrow.

The Order of the day being read, for resuming Dogs' Protection Bill, upon the 3rd day of June last, That the Dogs' Protection Bill be now read a second time;
Ordered, That the Debate be further adjourned till to-morrow.

The Order of the day being read, for the Declaration of Second Reading of the Declaration of Rights Rights Bill;
Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time to-morrow.

And then the House, having continued to Adjourned, sit till twelve minutes after Eleven of the clock, adjourned till to-morrow.

STANDING COMMITTEES.

Distribution by Mr. Speaker, pursuant to Standing Order No. 47, of Bills committed to a Standing Committee.

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[No. 97.]

Wednesday, 13th July 1921.

The House met at a quarter of an hour before Three of the clock.

PRAYERS.

Mr. Secretary Shortt presented, pursuant to the directions of an Act of Parliament,—Copy of Scheme approved by the Secretary of State for the Home Department, in pursuance of Section 5 (2) (a) of the Factory and Workshop Act, 1907, for the regulation of the Hours of Employment, &c., in respect of the Institution Charitable.
of the Birkenhead Rescue Association, at Alfred House, Alfred Road, Birkenhead.

Ordered, That the said Paper do lie upon the Table.

Sir Samuel Roberts reported from the Committee of Selection; That they had added the following Ten Members to Standing Committee C (in respect of the Water Undertakings (Modification of Charges) Bill):—Mr. Atkey, Mr. James Browns, Major John Edwards, Mr. Godfrey Locker-Lampson, Mr. Larden, Sir Alfred Mond, Mr. Robert Richardson, Mr. Rodger, Mr. James Walton, and Sir Kingsley Wood.

Ordered, That the Report do lie upon the Table.

Gas and Water Bills (Joint Committee) Taf Fechan Water Supply Bill [Lords.]

Mr. Tyton Wilson reported from the Select Committee appointed to join with a Committee of the House of Lords on Gas and Water Bills; That in the case of the Taf Fechan Water Supply Bill [Lords], now pending in the House of Lords, 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; and be printed.

Ordered, That the Minutes of the Proceedings of the Joint Committee on Gas and Water Bills be printed.

Gas and Water Bills (Joint Committee) No. 170.

Mr. John William Wilson reported from the Chairman’s Panel; That they had appointed Sir William Pearce to act as Chairman of Standing Committee C (in respect of the Water Undertakings (Modification of Charges) Bill); and Mr. John William Wilson to act as Chairman of Standing Committee D (in respect of the War Pensions Bills).

Ordered, That the Report 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 Deceased Brother’s Widow’s Marriage Bill, without any Amendment.

The Lords have passed a Bill, intituled An Act to authorise the Slough Trading Company, Limited, to construct a branch canal near Slough, in the county of Buckingham, for the conveyance of traffic between their works and property near Slough and the Grand Junction Canal, and for other purposes; to which the Lords desire the concurrence of this House.

The Lords communicate the Minutes of Evidence and Proceedings taken upon the Second Reading of Cowygham’s Divorce Bill [Lords], as desired by the Commons, with a request that the same may be returned.

The Slough Trading Company, Limited (Canal) Bill [Lords.] was read the first time.

Ordered, That the Bill be referred to the Examiners of Petitions for Private Bills.

A Motion was made, and the Question being put, That the proceedings in Committee on Telegraph [Money] be exempted at this day’s Sitting from the provisions of the Standing Order (Sittings of the House)—(Mr. Baldwin);

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The House divided.

The Yeas to the Right;

The Noes to the Left.

Tellers for the [Colonel Leslie Wilson, 265.]

Mr. McCurdy : 72.

Mr. Penny,

Noes,

Colin Williams,

Mr. Lawson:

So it was resolved in the Affirmative.

The House, according to Order, resolved itself into a Committee on the Safeguarding of Industries Bill (6th allotted Day.)

Clause No. 8 (Meaning of “cost of production”)

Amendment proposed, in p. 7, l. 12, to leave out the words “the wholesale,” in order to insert the words “ninety per cent of the lowest.”—(Mr. Trevelyan Thompson.)

Question, That the words “the wholesale” stand part of the Clause, put, and agreed to.

Another Amendment proposed, in p. 7, l. 13, after the word “description,” to insert the words “in similar quantities.”—(Dr. Murray.)

Question, That those words be there inserted, put, and negatived.

Another Amendment proposed, in p. 7, l. 14, to leave out the word “or.”—(Captain Wedgwood Penn.)

Question proposed, That the word “or” stand part of the Clause:

And it being Seven of the clock, the Chairman proceeded, pursuant to the Order of the House of 13th June, to put forthwith the Questions on the Amendment already proposed from the Chair.

Question put, That the word “or” stand part of the Clause:

The Committee divided.

Tellers for the [Colonel Leslie Wilson, 271.]

Mr. Dudley Ward:

Mr. McCurdy:

Tellers for the [Mr. Charles Edwards,

Noes, 86.]

Mr. Murray:

The Chairman then proceeded, successively, to put forthwith the Questions on any Amendments o’er by the Government of which notice had been given, and the Questions necessary to dispose of the business to be concluded at Seven of the clock at this day’s sitting.

An Amendment made.

Question put, That the Clause, as amended, stand part of the Bill:

The Committee divided.

Tellers for the [Colonel Leslie Wilson, 265.]

Mr. McCurdy:

Tellers for the [Mr. George Thorne,

Noes, Mr. Thomas Shaw:

Noes, 82.]

Mr. Thomas Shaw:

Clause No. 9 (Duration of Orders).

An Amendment made.

Question put, That the Clause, as amended, stand part of the Bill:

The Committee divided.

Tellers for the [Colonel Leslie Wilson, 260.]

Mr. McCurdy:

Tellers for the [Mr. George Thorne,

Noes, 77.]

Mr. Thomas Shaw:

Clause No. 10 (Value of goods for purposes of Act).

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Amendment proposed, in p. 7, l. 40, after the word "price," to insert the words "at the port of shipment."—(Mr. Trevelyan Thomson.)

Question put, That those words be there inserted.

The Committee divided.

Tellers for the [Mr. Trevelyan Thomson:]
Yea, [Mr. Spencer:] 75.
Noo, [Colonel Leslie Wilson, Mr. John Gilmour:]
135.

Another Amendment proposed, in p. 8, l. 4, at the end, to insert the words,—

"Provided that if it appears that the current sterling equivalent of the currency of the country to which the goods are manufactured does not represent the actual measure or standard of value of such currency in such country, then the Board shall have power for the purpose of this Act, but not further or otherwise by notice in the Gazette, from time to time to prescribe a rate in sterling of such currency which shall be deemed to represent such actual measure or standard of value, and the value of the goods shall be determined accordingly."—(Mr. George Terrell.)

Question, That those words be there inserted, put, and negatived.

Another Amendment proposed, in p. 8, l. 7, to leave out from the word "goods" to the end of the Clause, in order to add the words "sections thirty and thirty-one of the Customs Consolidation Act, 1876, shall apply as if the dispute were a dispute as to the proper rate of duty payable."—(Major Mackenzie Wood.)

Question proposed, That the words proposed to be left out, to the word "a," in l. 8, stand part of the Clause:

And it being half-past Ten of the clock, the Chairman proceeded, pursuant to the Order of the House of 13th June, to put forthwith the Question on the Amendment already proposed from the Chair.

Question put, That the words proposed to be left out, to the word "a," in l. 8, stand part of the Clause;

The Committee divided.

Tellers for the [Colonel Leslie Wilson, Mr. McCurdy:]
Yea, [Mr. McCurdy:]
233.
Noo, [Mr. Thomas Shaw:]
71.

Question put, That Clauses No. 12 to No. 16 stand part of the Bill;

The Committee divided.

Tellers for the [Colonel Leslie Wilson, Mr. Hogge, Mr. Thomas Shaw:]
Yea, [Mr. Hogge:]
229.
Noo, [Mr. Thomas Shaw:]
75.

Motion made, and Question, That the Chairman do report Progress, and ask leave to sit again.—(Colonel Leslie Wilson)—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 House, according to Order, resolved itself into a Committee on Telegraph into a Committee on Telegraph [Money].

(In the Committee.)

Motion made, and Question proposed, That it is expedient to authorise the issue out of the Consolidated Fund of such sums, not exceeding in the whole five million pounds, as are required for the further development of the telephonic system, and to authorise the Treasury to borrow money, by means of terminable annuities or by the issue of Exchequer Bonds, for the issue of such sums or the repayment thereof to the Consolidated Fund; and to provide for the payment of the terminable annuities or of the principal of and interest on any such Exchequer Bonds out of moneys provided by Parliament for Post Office services or, if those moneys are insufficient, out of the Consolidated Fund.—(Mr. Kellaway.)

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Question put.

The Committee divided.

Tellers for the [Colonel Leslie Wilson, Mr. McCurdy:
Yea, [Mr. McCurdy:]
26.
Noo, [Mr. Esmond Harmsworth:
26.

Resolution to be reported.

Mr. Deputy Speaker resumed the Chair; and the Chairman of Ways and Means reported, That the Committee had come to a Resolution. Ordered, That the Report be received this day.

The Order of the day being read, for taking Finance Bill into consideration the Finance Bill, as amended in the Committee and on recommittal; Ordered, That the Bill be taken into consideration upon Monday next.

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 taking into consideration the Fifth and subsequent Resolutions which, upon the 25th day of May last, were reported from the Committee of Supply of the 24th day of May last:

Ordered, That the said Resolutions be taken into consideration upon Monday next.

The Order of the day being read, for the Committee of Supply;

Resolved, That this House will, this day, resolve itself into the said Committee.

The Order of the day being read, for resuming the adjourned Debate on the Question proposed upon the 11th day of this instant July; That the Salmon and Freshwater Fisheries Bill be now read the third time;

Ordered, That the Debate be further adjourned till Monday next.

The Order of the day being read, for taking into further consideration the Guardianship, &c., of Infants Bill, as amended in the Standing Committee;

Ordered, That the Bill be taken into further consideration this day.

The Order of the day being read, for resuming the adjourned Debate on the Question proposed upon the 3rd day of June last; That the Dogs' Protection Bill, be now read the second time.

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time upon Tuesday next.

The Order of the day being read, for resuming the adjourned Debate on the Question proposed upon the 3rd day of June last; That the Dogs' Protection Bill, be now read a second time.

Ordered, That the Debate be further adjourned till this day.

The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Declaration of Rights Bill;

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time this day.

A Motion being made, That this House will, this day, resolve itself into a Committee to consider of making further provision, out of moneys to be provided by Parliament, with respect to Admiralty Pensions, and with respect to pensions, grants, or allowances payable under the Injuries in War Act, and the Government War Obligation Acts—(Mr. Amery);

Mr. Secretary Shortt, by His Majesty's Command, acquainted the House that His Majesty, having been informed of the subject-matter of this Motion, recommends it to the consideration of the House.

Resolved, That this House will, this day, resolve itself into the said Committee.

And it being after half-past Eleven of the adjournment clock on Wednesday evening, Mr. Deputy Speaker adjourned the House without Question put, pursuant to the Standing Order, it being then a quarter of an hour after Twelve of the clock on Thursday morning, till this day.

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Thursday, 14th July 1921.

The House met at a quarter of an hour before Three of the clock.

PRAYERS.

Mr. Speaker laid upon the Table.—Report Private Bill [Lords].

Ordered, That the Bills be read a second time.

Mr. Speaker laid upon the Table.—Report Private Bill [Lords].

Ordered, That the said Paper do lie upon the Table.

Mr. Speaker laid upon the Table.—Report Private Bill [Lords].

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time to-morrow.

Mr. Speaker laid upon the Table.—Report Private Bill [Lords].

Ordered, That the Bills be read a second time to-morrow.

Mr. Speaker laid upon the Table.—Report Private Bill [Lords].

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time to-morrow.

A Public Petition was presented, and read, and ordered to lie upon the Table.

Mr. Secretary Shortt, 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:

Borough of Colne.

Ordered, That the said Paper do lie upon the Table.
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Mr. Kellaway presented, pursuant to the directions of an Act of Parliament,—Copy of the Foreign and Colonial Post (Insurance Boxes) Amendment (No. 2) Warrant, 1921, dated 11th June 1921.

Copy of the Foreign and Colonial Post Amendment (No. 18) Warrant, 1921, dated 11th June 1921.

Ordered, That the said Papers 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 1920 under licences granted under the Act 39 & 40 Vict. c. 77, distinguishing the nature of the Experiments in continuation of Parliamentary Paper, No. 168, of Session 1920. (Sir John Baird.)

Six Francis Lowe reported from the Committee on the Ministry of Health Provisional Order (Barnsley Extension) Bill; That they had considered the Order therein contained; that they 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.

Six Park Goff reported from the Committee on Group F of Private Bills; That, for the convenience of parties, the Committee had adjourned till Monday next, at half-past Eleven of the clock.

Ordered, That the Report do lie upon the Table.

Mr. Speaker acquainted the House, That a Message had been brought from the Lords by one of their Clerks, as follows:

The Lords have passed a Bill, intituled An Act to authorise the lease by the Minister of Transport to the London and North Western Railway Company of certain lands and works at Holyhead and Holyhead Harbour; to which the Lords desire the concurrence of this House.

The Lords have agreed to the De Trafford Estate Bill [Lords.]

The Stock Conversion and Investment Trust Bill [Lords.] was read the first time.

Ordered, That the Bill be referred to the Examiners of Petitions for Private Bills.

The Stock Conversion and Investment Trust Bill [Lords.] was read the first time.
The London and North Western Railway (Holyhead Harbour Leasing) Bill [Lords] was read the first time.

Ordered, That the Bill be referred to the Examiners of Petitions for Private Bills.

Mr. Aneurin Williams reported from the Committee of Public Accounts; That they had agreed to the following Special Report; That having, at the request of the Treasury, considered the Report of the Committee appointed to consider the provisions of the Exchequer and Audit Departments Act, 1866, a copy of which Report was presented to the House on the 27th day of June last, they had taken Evidence thereupon and directed him to report the same forthwith to the House, together with Appendices.

Ordered, That the Report do lie upon the Table; and be printed.

Sir Samuel Roberts reported from the Committee of Selection; That they had discharged the following Members from Standing Committee D [(during the consideration of the War Pensions Bill)]—Mr. Brassey, Mr. Carr, Major Cop, Captain Fitzroy, Mr. Howes, Mr. Haydn Jones, Mr. Kerr-Smiley, Colonel Arthur Murray, Captain O'Grady, Mr. Strauss, Captain Sir Bessie Stanier, and Mr. Trowell; and had appointed in substitution: Colonel Sir William Allen, Major Brown, Mr. Neville Chamberlain, Mr. Howard Gritten, Sir Henry Harris, Major Vivian Henderson, Mr. Lindsey, Major Motion, Colonel Anstey Pennell, Colonel Raw, Colonel Rousell, Mr. Frederick Thomson, and Mr. Robert Young.

Sir Samuel Roberts further reported from the Committee; That they had discharged the following Member from Standing Committee D [added in respect of the War Pensions Bill]:—Captain Loseby; and had appointed in substitution: Major Barker.

Ordered, That the Reports do lie upon the Table.

Colonel Sir Robert Sanders, supported by Secretary Sir Laming Worthington-Evans and Colonel Standley, presented a Bill to provide for the application of new designations to the Territorial force and the Special Reserve, and to repeal enactments relating to the Militia and Yeomanry, and for purposes in connection therewith: 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, the proceedings of the Committee of Supply be exempted at this day's Sitting from the provisions of the Standing Order (Sittings of the House).—(Mr. Austen Chamberlain.)

The House, according to Order, resolved itself into the Committee of Supply.

(In the Committee.)

Civil Service and Revenue Departments Estimates, 1921-22. Class II.

Motion made, and Question proposed, That a sum not exceeding £526,104 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 1922 for the Salaries and Expenses of the Department of His Majesty’s Secretary of State for the Colonies, including Grants in Aid and other Expenses connected with Overseas Settlement:

Whereupon Motion made, and Question put, That Sub-head A be reduced by £500.—(Sir Donald Maclean.)

The Committee divided.

Tellers for the [Mr. George Thorne, 43.  Mr. Griffiths:]

Tellers for the Colonel Leslie Wilson, 123.  Mr. Dudley Ward:]

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 taking Emergency powers into consideration His Majesty’s Message of the 30th day of May last, relative to the Emergency Powers Act, 1920;

Ordered, That the said Message be taken into consideration upon Thursday next.

The Order of the day being read, for re-suming the adjourned Debate on the Question proposed upon the 29th day of June last, That the Summer Time Bill be now read a second time;

Ordered, That the Debate be further adjourned to Thursday next.

The Order of the day being read, for the Clinical Second Reading of the Clinical Thermometers Bill;

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time to-morrow.

The Order of the day being read, for taking Representation into consideration the Representation of the People (No. 2) Bill, not amended in the Standing Committee;

Ordered, That the Bill be taken into consideration to-morrow.

The Order of the day being read, for the Safeguarding Committee on the Safeguarding of Industries Bill;

Resolved, That this House will, upon Monday next, resolve itself into the said Committees.

Colonel Leslie Wilson reported from the Com-Telegraph on Telegraphs [Money], a Resolution; [Money] which was read, as followeth:

That it is expedient to authorize the issue out of the Consolidated Fund of such sums, not exceeding in the whole five million pounds, as
are required for the further development of the telephonic system, and to authorize the Treasury to borrow money, by means of terminable annuities or by the issue of Exchequer Bonds, for the issue of such sums as the repayment thereof to the Consolidated Fund ; and to provide for the payment of the terminable annuities or of the principal of and interest on any such Exchequer Bonds out of moneys provided by Parliament for Post Office services or, if those moneys are insufficient, out of the Consolidated Fund.

The said Resolution, being read a second time;

An Amendment was proposed to be made to the Resolution, in l. 2, by leaving out the word “five” and inserting the words “four and a-half, (Lieutenant-Commander Kenworthy), instead thereof.

And the Question being put, That the word “five” stand part of the Resolution :—It was resolved in the Affirmative.

And the Resolution was agreed to.

Ordered, That a Bill be brought in upon the said Resolution, and that Mr. Kellaway, Mr. Pike Price, and Mr. Hilton Young, do prepare and bring it in.

Mr. Kellaway accordingly presented a Bill to provide for raising further money for the purposes of the Telegraph Acts, 1863 to 1920; 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 Ways and Means;

Resolved, That this House will, to-morrow, resolve itself into the said Committee.

Admiralty Pensions [Commutation, &c.] Bill.

The Order of the day being read, for the Committee on Admiralty Pensions [Commutation, &c.];

Resolved, That this House will, to-morrow, resolve itself into the said Committee.

Guardianship, &c., of Infants Bill.

The Order of the day being read, for taking into further consideration the Guardianship, &c., of Infants Bill, as amended in the Standing Committee;

Ordered, That the Bill be taken into further consideration to-morrow.

Children of Unmarried Parents Bill.

The Order of the day being read, for taking into consideration the Children of Unmarried Parents Bill, as amended in the Standing Committee;

Ordered, That the Bill be taken into consideration to-morrow.

Trade Disputes BILL.

The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Trade Disputes Bill;

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time to-morrow.

The Order of the day being read, for resuming the adjourned Debate on the Question proposed upon the 3rd day of June last, That the Dogs' Protection Bill, be now read a second time;

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 Declaration of Rights Bill;

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time to-morrow.

And it being after half-past Eleven of the clock, Mr. Speaker adjourned the House without Question put, pursuant to the Standing Order, it being then six minutes before Twelve of the clock, till to-morrow.

[No. 99.]

Friday, 15th July 1921.

The House met at Twelve of the clock.

PRAYERS.

The Wandsworth, Wimbledon, and Epson Wandsworth, District Gas Bill [Lords] was read the third time and passed, with Amendments.

Ordered, That the Clerk do carry the Bill to the Lords; and acquaint them that this House hath agreed to the same, with Amendments; to which this House doth desire the concurrence of their Lordships.

The House proceeded to take into consideration the Nelson Corporation 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, according to Order, proceeded to take into consideration the Amendment made by the Lords to the Ministry of Health Provisional Order (Barnsley Extension) Bill, so amended in the Committee.

The House, according to Order, proceeded to take into consideration the Ministry of Health Provisional Order (Barnsley Extension) Bill, as amended in the Committee.

Ordered, That the Bill be read the third time upon Monday next.

The Ministry of Health Provisional Order (Barnsley and Wakefield Extension) Bill [Lords] was, according to Order, read a second time, and committed.

The Ministry of Health Provisional Order (Newcastle-under-Lyme Extension) Bill [Lords] was, according to Order, read a second time, and committed.

The Paisley Gas Provisional Order Bill was, according to Order, read a second time, and ordered (under Section 9 of the Private Legislation Procedure (Scotland) Act, 1889) to be taken into consideration upon Monday next.

Mr. Hilton Young presented, by His Majesty's Command, the Estimates of a further sum required to be voted for the Civil Services for the year ending 31st March 1922.

Ordered, That the said Estimate be referred to the Committee of Supply:

The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Criminal Law Amendment Bill [Lords]:

And a Motion being made, and the Question being proposed, That the Bill be now read a second time:

An Amendment was proposed to be made to the Question, by leaving out the words "now," and, at the end of the Question, adding the words "upon this day three months."—(Major Christopher Lowther.)

And the Question being put, That the word "now" stand part of the Question:—It was resolved in the Affirmative.

The Bill was read a second time, and committed to a Standing Committee.

The House, according to Order, proceeded to take into consideration the Representation of the People (No. 2) Bill, not amended in the Standing Committee.

An Amendment was proposed to be made to the Bill, in p. 1, l. 6, by inserting, after the word "premises," the words "who is engaged in service in the Defence Forces, Territorial annual training, or in the Mercantile Marine."—(Sir Frederick Banbury.)

And the Question being put, That those words be there inserted in the Bill:—It passed in the Negative.

Ordered, That the Bill be now read the third time:—The Bill was accordingly read the third time and passed.

Ordered, That the Clerk do carry the Bill to the Lords, and desire their concurrence.

The House, according to Order, proceeded to take into consideration the Amendments made by the Lords to the Police Pensions Bill.

The Lords' Amendment, in p. 3, l. 38, leave out subsection (3), and insert "(c); and (d) Where a widow is entitled to a pension under this Act not exceeding fifty pounds a year, and the police authority are satisfied that there are special reasons for the grant of a gratuity in lieu thereof, the police authority may, at their discretion and with her consent, grant her a gratuity accordingly.

The next Amendment, being read a second time;

And a Motion being made, and the Question being proposed, That this House doth agree with the Lords in the said Amendment—(Mr. Secretary Shortt):—And a Debate arising thereupon;

And it being Five of the clock, the Debate stood adjourned.

Ordered, That the Debate be resumed upon Monday next.

The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Clinical Second Reading of the Clinical Thermometers Bill:

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time upon Monday next.

The Order of the day being read, for the Law of Property Bill [Lords]:

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time upon Tuesday next.

The Order of the day being read, for receiving Supply, the Report from the Committee of Supply of 14th July Report.

Ordered, That the Report be received upon Tuesday next.

The Order of the day being read, for the Supply Committee of Supply:

Resolved, That this House will, upon Monday next, resolve itself into the said Committee.

The Order of the day being read, for the Telegraph Second Reading of the Telegraph (Money) Bill:

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time upon Monday next.

The Order of the day being read, for the Ways and Means:

Resolved, That this House will, upon Monday next, resolve itself into the said Committee.

The Order of the day being read, for taking Guardianship, into further consideration the Guardianship, &c. Bill:

Ordered, That the Bill be taken into further consideration upon Monday next.

The Order of the day being read, for taking Children Bill:

Ordered, That the Bill be taken into consideration upon Tuesday next.
The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Trade Disputes Bill; accordingly, the same were read the second time, and committed.

Ordered, That the said Paper do lie upon the Table.

Mr. Secretary Guest presented, by His Air Ministry, Majesties's Command,—Copy of Particulars of Grants of Pay, Allowances, &c., to Officers of the Royal Air Force, sanctioned by His Majesty's Command,—Account of the Fee Fund in the Royal Air Force during the year 1920-21, under the Dispersing Order of 23rd February 1920.

Ordered, That the said Paper do lie upon the Table.

Mr. Arthur Griffith-Boissevain presented, pursuant to the direction of an Act of Parliament,—Copy of Report of the Committee of Trade Disputes Rules, dated 15th July 1921, made by the Minister of Transport under the Electricity (Supply) Act, 1919, entitled the Electricity (Confirmation of Special Orders) Rules, 1921.

Ordered, That the said Paper do lie upon the Table.

Mr. Macpherson presented, pursuant to the War Pensions directions of an Act of Parliament,—Copy of Order under the War Pensions Acts, dividing the area of the Local Committee for the County of Kent into districts and dissolving the Local Committee.

Ordered, That the said Paper do lie upon the Table.

Mr. Attorney General presented, by His Fee Fund Majesty's Command,—Account of the Fee Fund (House of Lords) of the House of Lords from 1st April 1920 to 31st March 1921.

Copy of Thirteenth General Report of the Public Trustee.

Ordered, That the said Papers do lie upon the Table.


Ordered, that the said Paper do lie upon the Table.

Dr. Macnamara presented, pursuant to the Trade Boards directions of an Act of Parliament,—Copy of Order, Regulations, dated 11th July 1921, made by the
Minister of Labour, under Section 2 of the Trade Boards Act, 1909, with respect to the constitution and proceedings of the Trade Board for the Boot and Floor Polish Trade (Great Britain).

Ordered, That the said Paper do lie upon the Table.

Mr. Secretary Shortt presented, pursuant to the directions of an Act of Parliament,—Copies of Orders made under the Shops Act, 1912, by the Councils of the under-mentioned Local Authorities, and confirmed by the Secretary of State for the Home Department:—

City of St. Albans.

Urban District of Mountain Ash.

Ordered, That the said Paper do lie upon the Table.

Sir Park Goff reported from the Committee on Group F of Private Bills: That Mr. Gillis, one of the Members of the said Committee, was not present during the sitting of the Committee this day.

Ordered, That the Report do lie upon the Table.

The Education (Consolidation) Bill [Lords] was read the first time; and ordered to be read a second time to-morrow; and to be printed.

The House, according to Order, proceeded to take into consideration the Finance Bill, as amended in the Committee, and on re-commital.

A Clause was offered to be added to the Bill (Amendment of s. 1 of 6 Geo. V., c. 11)—(Mr. Chancellor of the Exchequer.)

And the said Clause was brought up, and read the first and second time.

An Amendment was proposed to be made to the proposed Clause, in l. 8, by leaving out from the word "vehicles" to the end of l. 14.—(Mr. Chancellor of the Exchequer.)

And the Question being put, That the words proposed to be left out stand part of the proposed Clause:—It was resolved in the Affirmative.

And the proposed Clause was made part of the Bill.

Another Clause was offered to be added to the Bill (Power to issue licences for mechanically-propelled vehicles for periods less than a year)—(Mr. Chancellor of the Exchequer.)

And the said Clause was brought up, and read the first and second time.

An Amendment was proposed to be made to the proposed Clause, in l. 14, by leaving out from the word "vehicle" to the end of l. 15, and inserting the words "for one quarter of the year beginning on the first day of January, twenty fifth day of March, the first day of July, and the first day of October."—(Lieutenant Commander Kenworthy)—in stead thereof.

And the Question being put, That the words proposed to be left out stand part of the proposed Clause:—It was resolved in the Affirmative.

And the proposed Clause was made part of the Bill.

Another Clause was offered to be added to the Bill (Relief from customs duty in case of articles containing spirits if certified by Board of Trade to be essential to British industries)—(Mr. Hilton Young.)

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 (Exemption from income tax in respect of lands owned and occupied by charities, and of profits of trades carried on by beneficiaries of charities)—(Mr. Chancellor of the Exchequer)—was twice read; and made part of the Bill.

Another Clause (Amendment of Rule 3 (c) of the rules applicable to Cases I. and II. of Schedule D)—(Mr. Chancellor of the Exchequer)—was twice read; and made part of the Bill.

Another Clause (Extension of s. 61 of 10 & 11 Geo. V., c. 18, to corporation profits tax)—(Mr. Chancellor of the Exchequer)—was twice read; and made part of the Bill.

The House divided.

The Yeas to the Right:—
The Noes to the Left.

Tellers for the | Colonel Leslie Wilson, | 228.
Yea, | Mr. James Parker: | 68.
Tellers for the | Mr. George Thorne, | 68.
No, | Mr. Thomas Shaw: | 68.

So it was resolved in the Affirmative.

And the proposed Clause was made part of the Bill.

Another Clause (Providing with respect to duty on licences for main servants)—(Mr. Chancellor of the Exchequer)—was twice read; and made part of the Bill.

Another Clause was offered to be added to the Bill (Provision for cases where documents relating to death duties have been lost, destroyed, or damaged)—(Mr. Chancellor of the Exchequer)—was twice read; and made part of the Bill.

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Order, That the proposed Clause be read a second time:—The said Question and Clause were severally, with leave of the House, withdrawn.

Another Clause (Amendment of s. 39 of 10 & 11 Geo. V., c. 18)—(Mr. Chancellor of the Exchequer)—was twice read; and made part of the Bill.

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The Question being put, That the words proposed to be left out stand part of the proposed Clause:

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Another Clause was offered to be added to the Bill (Corporation Profits Tax.)—(Mr. Rawlinson.)

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 divided.

The Yeas to the Right;
The Noes to the Left.

Tellers for the \{ Mr. Rawlinson, Yeas, \} 105.

Tellers for the \{ Mr. McDermid, Noes, \} 197.

So it passed in the Negative.

Another Clause (Recovery of penalty under s. 44 of 54 & 55 Vict., c. 39.)—(Sir William Ball)—was twice read; and made part of the Bill.

Another Clause was offered to be added to the Bill (Qualifications of general commissioners.)—(Mr. Geoffrey Locker-Lampson.)

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 (Amendment of s. 12 of 6 & 7 Geo. V., c. 24.)—(Sir Thomas Bromssen)—was twice read; and made part of the Bill.

Another Clause was offered to be added to the Bill (Exemption of certain entertainments from entertainments duty.)—(Mr. Mallialen.)

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 (Deduction in respect of daughter acting as housekeeper to widower,)—(Mr. Robert Richardson.)

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 (Amendment of 10 Edw. VII., c. 8, s. 48.)—(Mr. Robert Richardson.)

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 (Amendment of 6 Geo. V., c. 11, s. 1.)—(Mr. Arthur Michael Samuel.)

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 (Repeal of corporation profits tax.)—(Sir Arthur Fell.)

And the said Clause was brought up, and read the first time.

And a Motion being made, and the Question being put, That the said Clause be read a second time;—It passed in the Negative.

Another Clause (Amendment of 10 Edw. VII., c. 8, s. 48.)—(Mr. Robert Richardson.)

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.
And a Motion being made, and the Question being proposed, That the said Clause be read a second time;
And the House having continued to sit till after Twelve of the clock on Tuesday morning:

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And the Question being put:
The House divided.
The Yeas to the Right:
The Noes to the Left.
Tellers for the [ Mr. Holmes, Yea, Mr. Charles White ] 55.
Tellers for the [ Colonel Leslie Wilson, Noes, Mr. McCurdy ] 133.
So it passed in the Negative.

Another Clause was offered to be added to the Bill (Income tax allowance for repairs of property)—(Mr. MacCullum Scott).
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:—And a Debate arising thereupon;

And a Motion being made, and the Question being put, That the Debate be now adjourned—(Sir Donald Maclean);
The House divided.
The Yeas to the Right:
The Noes to the Left.
Tellers for the [ Mr. Cope, Yea, Mr. Raffan ] 26.
So it passed in the Negative.

And the Question being put, That the said Clause be read a second time;
The House divided.
The Yeas to the Right:
The Noes to the Left.
Tellers for the [ Mr. Kiley, Yea, Mr. Raffan ] 23.
Tellers for the [ Colonel Leslie Wilson, Noes, Mr. McCurdy ] 106.
So it passed in the Negative.

Another Clause (Amendment of 10 & 11 Geo. V. c. 18, s. 59)—(Mr. Waterston)—was twice read; and made part of the Bill.

Another Clause was offered to be added to the Bill (Alteration of entertainments duty)—(Mr. Newbold);
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 divided.
The Yeas to the Right:
The Noes to the Left.
Tellers for the [ Mr. Newbold, Yea, Mr. Seddon ] 25.
Tellers for the [ Colonel Leslie Wilson, Noes, Mr. McCurdy ] 98.
So it passed in the Negative.

Another Clause (Amendment of s. 1 of Finance (New Duties) Act, 1916)—(Mr. Newbold)—was twice read; and made part of the Bill.

Another Clause (Deduction for mortgage interest to be allowed in case of certain companies for purposes of corporation profits tax)—Vol. 176. (Mr. Holmes)—was twice read; and made part of the Bill.

Another Clause (Temporary exemption from corporation profits tax of the profits derived from public utility companies)—(Mr. George Balfour)—was twice read; and made part of the Bill.

Another Clause (Amendment of law as to redemption of land tax)—(Mr. Smartman)—was twice read; and made part of the Bill.

Sir William Barton moved, That this House do now adjourn; but Mr. Speaker, being of the opinion that the Motion was an abuse of the Rules of the House, declined to propose the Question thereupon to the House.

Another Clause was offered to be added to the Bill (Reduced Customs duties on sugar).—(Sir William Barton).
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:—And a Debate arising thereupon;

And a Motion being made, and the Question being put, That the Debate be now adjourned—(Mr. George Thorne):—It was resolved in the Affirmative.

Ordered, That the Debate be resumed this day.

The Order of the day being read, for re- Police Pensions resuming the adjourned Debate on the Question Bill proposed upon the 15th day of this instant July, on consideration of the Amendments made by the Lords to the Police Pensions Bill, That this House doth agree with the Lords in their Amendment in p. 3, l. 38.

Ordered, That the Debate be further adjourned till this day.

The Order of the day being read, for the Committee on Admiralty Pensions [Communications.
Resolved, That this House will, this day, resolve itself into the said Committee.

The Order of the day being read, for the Clinical Second Reading of the Clinical Thermometers
Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time upon Wednesday next.

The Order of the day being read, for the Government Second Reading of the Government of Burma
Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time upon Monday next.

The Order of the day being read, for the Supply resuming the adjourned Debate on the Amendment Bill, which, upon the 3rd day of May last, was proposed to be made to the Eleventh of the Resolutions which, upon the 2nd day of May last, were reported from the Committee of Supply of the 21st day of April last;
Ordered, That the Debate be further adjourned till Monday next.

The Order of the day being read, for taking into consideration the Twelfth of the Resolutions which, upon the 2nd day of May last, were reported from the Committee of Supply of the 21st day of April last;
Ordered, That the said Resolution be taken into consideration upon Monday next.
The Order of the day being read, for resuming the adjourned Debate on the Question proposed upon the 2nd day of May last, That this House doth agree with the Committee in the Third of the Resolutions which were then reported from the Committee of Supply of the 21st day of April last.

Ordered, That the Debate be further adjourned till Monday next.

Suppl} Report.

The Order of the day being read, for receiving the Report from the Committee of Supply of the 9th day of June last;

Ordered, That the Report be received upon Monday next.

Supply Report.

The Order of the day being read, for taking into further consideration the First of the Resolutions which, upon the 24th day of June last, were reported from the Committee of Supply of the 23rd day of June last;

Ordered, That the said Resolution be taken into further consideration upon Monday next.


The Order of the day being read, for taking into consideration His Majesty's Message of the 2nd day of May last relative to the Emergency Powers Act, 1920;

Ordered, That the said Message be taken into consideration upon Monday next.

Reserve Forces (Motion for an Address).

The Order of the day being read, for resuming the adjourned Debate on the Question proposed upon the 11th day of April last, That an humble Address be presented to His Majesty thanking His Majesty for His Most Gracious Message communicating to this House His Majesty's intentions with respect to the Reserve Forces.

Ordered, That the Debate be further adjourned till Monday next.

Supply Report.

The Order of the day being read, for receiving the Report from the Committee of Supply of the 12th day of May last;

Ordered, That the Report be received upon Thursday next.

Supply Report.

The Order of the day being read, for receiving the Report from the Committee of Supply of the 7th day of this instant July;

Ordered, That the Report be received upon Monday next.

Supply Report.

The Order of the day being read, for taking into consideration the Fifth and subsequent Resolutions which, upon the 25th day of May last, were reported from the Committee of Supply of the 24th day of May last;

Ordered, That the said Resolutions be taken into consideration upon Monday next.

Territorial Army and Militia Bill.

The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Territorial Army and Militia Bill;

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time this day.

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The Order of the day being read, for the Safeguarding Committee on the Safeguarding of Industries Bill:

Resolved, That this House will, upon Wednesday 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 this day, resolve itself into the said Committee.

The Order of the day being read, for the Telegraph Second Reading of the Telegraph (Money) (Money) Bill;

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second 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.

The Order of the day being read, for re-salmon and fresh-water fisheries Bill, and taking the adjourned Debate on the Question proposed upon the 11th day of this instant July, That the Salmon and Freshwater Fisheries Bill be now read the third time;

Ordered, That the Debate be further adjourned till Thursday next.

Second Reading of the Declaration of Rights and of the Declara-

The Order of the day being read, for taking into further consideration the Guardianship, &c. of Infants of Infants Bill, as amended in the Standing Committee;

Ordered, That the Bill be taken into further consideration this day.

Second Reading of the Liquor Traffic Local Veto (England and Wales) Bill;

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time upon Tuesday the 9th day of August next.

Second Reading of the Trade Disputes Bill;

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time this day.

Second Reading of the Protection Bill;

Ordered, That the Debate be further adjourned till this day.

The Order of the day being read, for the Declaration of Rights Bill;

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time this day.

And it being after half-past Eleven of the Adjournment clock on Monday evening, Mr. Speaker adjourned the House without Question put, pursuant to the Standing Order, it being then thirteen minutes before Three of the clock on Tuesday morning, till this day.
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STANDING COMMITTEES.

Distribution by Mr. Speaker, pursuant to Standing
Order No. 47, of Bills committed to a
Standing Committee.

Name of Bill. Standing Committee.

Criminal Law Amendment Bill (Lords). D.

[No. 101.]

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The House met at a quarter of an hour before
Three of the clock.

PRAYERS.

Mr. Speaker laid upon the Table,—Report
from one of the Examiners of Petitions for
Private Bills, That in the case of the following
Bills, 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.:

London and North Western Railway (Holy-
head Harbour Leasing) Bill [Lords].

Slough Trading Company, Limited (Canal)
Bill [Lords].

Ordered, That the Bills be read a second time.

Mr. Speaker laid upon the Table,—Report
from one of the Examiners of Petitions for
Private Bills, That in the case of the following
Bill, originating in the Lords, and
referred on the First Reading thereof, no Standing Orders are applicable, viz.:

Wolverton Estate Bill [Lords].

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time.

The Rhyndev Valley Water Board Bill
[Lords.] was read a second time.

Ordered, That the Standing Orders relative to
the Committal stage of Private Bills be
suspended.

Ordered, That the Bill do lie upon the Table.

(Chairman of Ways and Means.)

The Paisley Gas 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.

A Public Petition was presented, and read;
and ordered to lie upon the Table.

Sir Henry Greenwood presented, by His
Majesty's Command,—Copy of Emigration
Statistics of Ireland for the year 1920.

Ordered, That the said Paper do lie upon
the Table.

Mr. Secretary Shortt 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

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Authority, and confirmed by the Secretary of
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City of Exeter.

Ordered, That the said Paper do lie upon
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of pilot officer appointed to the Stores Branch of
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of Worcester.

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the year 1920, with the Report of the Comptroller
and Auditor-General thereto.

Ordered, That the said Account be printed.

Ordered, That there be laid before this House Speech of Lord
a Copy of the Speech to the Imperial Conference
of the Lord President of the Council on the
League of Nations.—(Lord Robert Cecil.)

Sir Samuel Roberts reported from Standing Standing
Committee B, to whom the Railways Bill was
referred; That they had gone through so much
of the Bill as was reserved for their consideration
Portion. by the Order of the House of the 6th day of this
instant July, and made Amendments thereunto.

Ordered, That the Report do lie upon
the Table ; and be printed.

Ordered, That the Minutes of the Proceedings
of the Standing Committee be printed.

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The Chairman of Ways and Means reported South Shields Corporation Bill [Lords], with Amendments.

Ordered, That the Report do lie upon the Table; and be printed.

The Lord Advocate reported from the Select Committee on Divorce Bills; That they had examined the allegations of Conyingham's Divorce Bill [Lords] as to the marriage of the parties, the adultery coupled with cruelty charged as the ground for dissolving the marriage, and the sentence of Divorce a mensa et thoro in the Probate and Matrimonial Division of the High Court of Justice in Ireland, and, upon evidence satisfactory to the Committee, found the same and 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 it the same, without Amendment.

Ordered, That the Report do lie upon the Table.

Ordered, That the Bill be read the third time.

Mr. Speaker acquaints the House, That a Message from Lords had been brought from the Lords by one of their Clerks, as follows:

The Lords have agreed to the Colne Corporation Bill, with Amendments; to which the Commons desire the concurrence of this House.

The Lords have agreed to the Swansea Gas Company Bill, with Amendments; to which the Commons desire the concurrence of this House.

The Lords have agreed to the Amendments Waltham and Cheshunt Gas Bill [Lords], without any Amendment.

Sir Samuel Roberts reported from the Committee of Selection, That they had discharged the following Members from Standing Committee C—Mr. Forster-Walker, Captain Forcecraft, Committee C, Mr. Hinds, Mr. Jodrell, Mr. Lwin, Mr. Hoffman, Colonel Sir Alexander Sprat, Captain Reginald Terrell, and Colonel Willoughby.

Sir Samuel Roberts further reported from the Standing Committee C, that the said Committee had agreed to the Amendments Colne Gas Bill [Lords], with Amendments, made by this House to the Waltham and Cheshunt Gas Bill [Lords].

Ordered, That the Reports do lie upon the Table.

Thomas Brown wallpaper, Esquire, Member for New Member the County of Down (West Down Division) was again sworn.

Mr. Attorney-General, supported by Mr. Iden, Secretary Shortt, Mr. Munro, Sir John Burrard, and Mr. Hutton Young, presented a Bill to amend the Law relating to the sale and supply of intoxicating liquor, and for purposes in connection therewith: And the same was ordered to be read a second time to-morrow; and to be printed.

Sir Arthur Griffith-Boscawen, presented a Saloon and Bill to consolidate and amend the enactments relating to salmon and freshwater fisheries in England and Wales: 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 resuming the adjourned Debate on the Question proposed, upon the 18th day of this instant July,
on consideration of the Finance Bill as amended in the Committee and on re-commital, That the Clause (Reduced Customs duties on sugar) be read a second time.

And the Question being again proposed:—The House resumed the said adjourned Debate.

And the Question being put:
The House divided.
The Yeas to the Right;
The Noes to the Left.

Tellers for the 
Sir William Barton, 
Mr. Spencer:  85.

Tellers for the 
Colonel Leslie Wilson, 
Noes, Mr. Dudley Ward:  135.

So it passed in the Negative.

Another Clause (Repeal of duties on mechanical lights) (Mr. Kiley) was twice read, and made part of the Bill.

Another Clause was offered to be added to the Bill (Amendment of Geo. V., c. 18, Sch. 2, par. (1)).—(Lieutenant-Commander Kenworthy.)

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 divided.
The Yeas to the Right;
The Noes to the Left.

Tellers for the 
Lieutenant-Commander Kenworthy, 
Yeas, Mr. Spencer:  58.

Tellers for the 
Colonel Leslie Wilson, 
Noes, Mr. Dudley Ward:  177.

So it passed in the Negative.

Another Clause was offered to be added to the Bill (Exemption of Exhibitions of art societies from entertainments duty.) — (Mr. Ormber.)

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 divided.
The Yeas to the Right;
The Noes to the Left.

Tellers for the 
Mr. Ormber; 
Yeas, Lord Henry Cavendish-Bentinck:  81.

Tellers for the 
Colonel Leslie Wilson, 
Noes, Mr. McCurdy:  186.

So it passed in the Negative.

Then an Amendment was made to the Bill.

Another Amendment was proposed to be made to the Bill, in p. 24, l. 18, by inserting at the end thereof the words "and where the profits are—or surplus arising from the trading with its own members of a society registered under the Industrial and Provident Societies Acts no such corporation profits tax shall be charged." (Mr. Kidd.)

And the Question being put, That those words be there inserted in the Bill:
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Tellers for the 
Colonel Sir John Hope, 
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So it was resolved in the Affirmative.

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to the extent and character of the trade or business, is reasonable.

(2) The amount of the deficit to be allowed as aforesaid shall be computed as follows:

(a) If any quantities of stock similar to the forward stock have, during the aforesaid period, been delivered by the trader to purchasers, in pursuance of written contracts providing for the sale of stock at specified prices and binding on the trader at the end of the final accounting period, or if any quantities of such similar stock have been used by the trader in the manufacture of stock which has been delivered during the aforesaid period to purchasers in pursuance of such contracts, there shall be ascertained the aggregate amount of the values, at the date of the said contracts or of the earlier of those contracts, of the quantities of similar stock, up to an amount not exceeding the quantity of the forward stock;

(b) If the quantity of the forward stock exceeds the said quantities of similar stock, there shall be ascertained the value at the thirty-first day of August, nineteen hundred and twenty-one, of an amount of similar stock equal to the excess;

(c) There shall be ascertained the amount by which the purchase price of the forward stock exceeds the aggregate amount of the amounts ascertained under paragraphs (a) and (b);

(d) The amount of the deficit to be allowed shall be the amount by which one-half of the amount ascertained under paragraph (c) exceeds an amount equal to one-third of the retainable excess profits.

Provided that the amount to be allowed in the case of any trade or business as a deficit under this paragraph shall not be such an amount as will, when added to any amount to be allowed as a deduction or addition under the first four paragraphs of this Part of this Schedule, exceed the amount of the trading loss sustained in the trade or business during the aforesaid period.

(3) For the purposes of this paragraph—

(a) the expression 'retainable excess profits' means the amount by which the aggregate amount of the excess profits on which the trader was chargeable to duty in respect of the trade or business, less any deficiencies or losses in respect of which he is entitled to repayment or set-off of duty, exceeds the aggregate amount of the duty paid and the Munitions Exchequer payments made by him in respect of those profits, less any amounts repaid to him, and in ascertaining the retainable excess profits any relief granted under this Schedule shall not be taken into account;

(b) the amount of the trading loss shall be ascertained on the basis on which the profits of a trade or business are ascertained for the purposes of duty, except that no adjustment shall be made under section forty-one of the principal Act in respect of increased or decreased capital, and no adjustment shall be made in respect of interest paid to a proprietor or partner in the trade or business, or to a director of a company in which the directors hold the controlling interest.

(4) Nothing in the provisions of this part of this Schedule shall be taken to entitle a person, otherwise than as is expressly provided by those provisions, to claim that a fall in the value of trading stock which had not come into his possession until after the expiration of any period is to be treated in computing profits or losses as a loss arising in that period.—(Mr. Hilton Young.)

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. 68, by leaving out from the word "amount" to the third word "the," and inserting the words "by which the profits of,—(Sir William Pearce)—instead thereof.

And the Question being put, That the words proposed to be left out stand part of the proposed Amendment:—It was resolved in the Affirmative.

And the Question being put, That the proposed words be there inserted in the Bill;

The House divided.

The Yeas to the Right;

The Noes to the Left.

Tellers for the

Colonel Leslie Wilson, 239.  
Mr. McCurdy:

Yeas, Mr.

Mr. Holmes, 64.

Noes, Mr. Leonard Lyle:

So it was resolved in the Affirmative.

Ordered, That the Bill be read the third time to-morrow; and be printed.

The Order of the day being read, for the Law of Second Reading of the Law of Property Bill [Lords];

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time upon Monday next.

The Order of the day being read, for receiving the Report from the Committee of Supply of the 14th day of this instant July;

Ordered, That the Report be received to-morrow.

The Order of the day being read, for the Education Second Reading of the Education (Consolidation) Bill [Lords];

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time to-morrow.

The Order of the day being read, for the Police Pensions Second Reading of the Police Pensions Bill [Lords];

Ordered, That the Debate be further adjourned till to-morrow.

The House, according to Order, resolved itself into a Committee on Admiralty Pensions (Commutation, &c.).

(In the Committee.)

Resolved, That it is expedient to make further provision, out of moneys provided by Parliament, with respect to Admiralty Pensions, and with respect to Pensions, Grants, or Allowances payable under the Injuries in War (Compensation) Acts, and the Government War Obligations Acts.—(Mr. Amery.)

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.

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time to-morrow.

The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Territorial Army and Militia 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 Second Reading of the Telegraph (Money) 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 taking into consideration the Children of Unmarried Parents Bill, as amended in the Standing Committee;

Ordered, That the Bill be taken into consideration to-morrow.

The House, according to Order, proceeded to take into further consideration the Guardianship, &c., of Infants Bill, as amended in the Standing Committee;

Ordered, That the Bill, as amended in the Standing Committee, be taken into further consideration to-morrow.

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time to-morrow.

The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Increase of Rent (Restrictions) 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 Trade Disputes Bill;

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time to-morrow.

The Order of the day being read, for resuming the adjourned Debate on the Question proposed upon the 3rd day of June last, That the Dogs' Protection Bill be now read a second time;

Ordered, That the Debate be further adjourned till to-morrow.

The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Declaration of Rights Bill;

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time to-morrow.

Ordered, That the Bill, as amended in the Standing Committee, be taken into consideration upon Monday next; and be printed.

Ordered, That the Minutes of the Proceedings of the Standing Committee be printed.

Sir William Pearce reported from Standing Committee C to whom the Water Undertakings (Modification of Charges) Bill was referred, That they had gone through the Bill and made Amendments thereto.

Ordered, That the Report do lie upon the Table; and be printed.

Ordered, That the Minutes of the Proceedings of the Standing Committee be printed.

Mr. Speaker laid upon the Table,—Report Private Bills, That in the case of the following Orders (No. Standing Orders Bill, originating in the Lords, and referred upon) the First Reading thereof, no Standing Orders are applicable, viz.:—

De Trafford Estates Bill [Lords].

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time.

The Nelson Corporation Bill [Lords] was read a second time, and passed.

Ordered, That the Clerk do carry the Bill to the Lords, and desire their concurrence.

The Nelson Corporation Bill [Lords] was read the third time and passed, with Amendments.

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 Pier and Harbour Provisional Orders (No. 1) Bill, as amended in the Committee;

Ordered, That the Bill be read the third time to-morrow.

Ordered, That the Bill, as amended in the Standing Committee, be taken into consideration to-morrow.

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time to-morrow.

Ordered, That the Bill, as amended in the Standing Committee, be taken into consideration the Pilotage Provisional Orders (No. 7) Bill, as amended in the Committee;

Ordered, That the Bill be read the third time to-morrow.
The Lords have passed a Bill, intitled An Act to renew section two of the Juries (Emergency Provisions) Act, 1920; to which the Lords desire the concurrence of this House.

The Lords have passed a Bill, intitled An Act to make provision for the examination and putting in evidence in trials on indictment in Scotland of witnesses and productions not included in lists lodged, and for the remission for persons pleading or found guilty on indictment in the Sheriff Court; to which the Lords desire the concurrence of this House.

The Lords have passed a Bill, intitled An Act to consolidate and amend the Law relating to Trusts in Scotland; to which the Lords desire the concurrence of this House.

The Lords have passed a Bill, intitled An Act to constitute a water supply board for the Taf Fechan watershed; to transfer to the board certain waterworks and powers of the Merthyr Tydol Corporation; to authorise the board to complete and maintain works and to supply water, and for other purposes; to which the Lords desire the concurrence of this House.

The Taf Fechan Water Supply Bill (Lords) was read the first time.

Ordered, That the Bill be referred to the Examiners of Petitions for Private Bills.

Sir Samuel Roberts reported from the Committee of Selection; that they had added the following fifteen Members to Standing Committee D (in respect of the Criminal Law Amendment Bill [Lords]):—Sir William Roland Adkins, Sir John Isdell, Sir Frederick Banting, Major Forsyth, Major Sir Hugh Godfrey, Captain Lawley, Major Christopher Lethbridge, Mr. Lunn, Sir Philip Magnus, Mr. Hewitson, Mr. Robert Richardson, Mr. Secretary Shott, Sir Robert Thomas, Earl Winterton, and Mr. Robert Young.

Sir Samuel Roberts further reported from the Committee; that they had discharged the following Members from Standing Committee D:—Colonel Sir William Allen, Major Brown, Mr. Neville Chamberlain, Mr. Howard Crittendon, Sir Henry Harris, Major Henderson, Mr. Lindsay, Major Melton, Colonel Ashton Pownall, Colonel Rawson, Colonel Bourdillon, Major Frederick Thomson, and Mr. Robert Young; and had appointed in substitution: Mr. Brassey, Mr. Carr, Major Cope, Captain Fitzclay, Mr. Irwin, Mr. Hawton, Mr. Haydon Jones, Mr. Kerr-Scott, Colonel Arthur Murray, Captain O’Neill, Mr. Strauss, Captain Sir Boodle Stanley, and Mr. Townley.

Ordered, That the Report do lie upon the Table.

Mr. Asland reported from the Select Committee on Indian Affairs, that they had agreed to the amendments that had been made by the House of Lords on Indian Affairs; that they had considered the matters to them referred, and directed him to make a Report thereof to the House, together with the Minutes of Proceedings, 17th March 1921 to 13th July 1921 (Session 1921).

Ordered, That the Report do lie upon the Table; and be printed.

Mr. John William Wilson reported from the Standing Committee D on War Pensions Bill; that they had gone through the Bill and made Amendments thereunto.

Ordered, That the Report do lie upon the Table.

Mr. John William Wilson reported from Standing Committee D on War Pensions Bill; that they had gone through the Bill, and made Amendments thereunto.

Ordered, That the Minutes of the Proceedings be printed.

Ordered, That the Bill, as amended in the Standing Committee, be taken into consideration upon Monday next; and be printed.

Mr. Walter Smith, supported by Mr. Clynes, Mr. George Edwards, Mr. Boys, Mr. Robert Richardson, and Mr. Seaton, presented a Bill to make further provision with respect to dwelling-houses occupied in connection with agriculture, and for purposes connected therewith: And the same was ordered to be read a second time upon Wednesday the 3rd day of August next; and to be printed.

A Motion was made, and the Question being put forthwith, That the Proceedings on the Territorial Army and Militia Bill be suspended at this day’s sitting from the provisions of the Standing Order (Sittings of the House)—(Mr. Austen Chamberlain);

The House divided.

The Yeas to the Right;

The Noes to the Left.

Tellers for the Yeas, (Mr. McCarty:—

Mr. Lawson, Mr. Penn, Mr. Williams:

So it was resolved in the Affirmative.

The House, according to Order, resolved itself into a Committee on the Safeguarding of Industries Bill.

(In the Committee.)

A Clause (Power to exempt articles from duty in certain cases) (Mr. Baldwin)—brought up, and read the first time.

Question, That the Clause be read a second time; put and negatived.

Another Clause (Efficiency of industries affected by dumping) (Sir Philip Lloyd-Greame)—brought up, and read the first and second time.

Amendment proposed to the proposed Clause, at the end, to add the words "and that fair
wages and conditions of labour prevail in it."—(Captain Wedgewood Benn.)

Question proposed, That those words be there added.

And it being Seven of the clock, the Chairman proceeded, pursuant to the Order of the House of 13th June, to put forthwith the Question on the Amendment already proposed from the Chair.

Question put, That those words be there added.

The Committee divided.

Tellers for the yeas:—Mr. George Thorne: 100. Mr. Dudley Ward: 242.

Tellers for the noes:—Mr. Cope: 77. Mr. Alfred Davies: 100.

And it being half-past Ten of the clock, the Chairman proceeded, pursuant to the Order of the House of 13th June, to put forthwith the Question on the Amendment already proposed from the Chair.

Question put, That the words "theodolites" stand part of the Schedule.

The Committee divided.

Tellers for the yeas:—Colonel Leslie Wilson: 212. Mr. Dudley Ward: 73.

Tellers for the noes:—Colonel Peary: 77. Mr. Austin Hopkinson: 266.

Question put, That the Schedule, as amended, be the Schedule to the Bill.

The Committee divided.

Tellers for the yeas:—Colonel Leslie Wilson: 266. Mr. Dudley Ward: 77.

Tellers for the noes:—Mr. George Thorne: 73. Mr. Thomas Shaw: 1.

Whereupon the Chairman left the Chair to report the Bill, as amended, to the House pursuant to the Order of the House of 13th June.

Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair; and the Chairman of Ways and Means reported, That the Committee had gone through the Bill.

Ordered, That the Bill, as amended in the Bill 183, Committee, be taken into consideration upon Monday next; and be printed.

The Order of the day being read, for the Territorial Second Reading of the Territorial Army and Militia Bill.

And a Motion being made, and the Question being proposed, That the Bill be now read a second time:—And a Debate arising thereupon;

Mr. Hailwood rose in his place and claimed to move, That the Question be now put; but Mr. Hogge claimed, but the Chairman withheld his assent, and declined then to put that Question:—Debate resumed.

And it being half-past Ten of the clock, the Chairman put the Question on the Amendment already proposed from the Chair.

Question put, That the word "theodolites" stand part of the Schedule.

The Committee divided.

Tellers for the yeas:—Mr. Dudley Ward: 212. Mr. Alfred Davies: 76.

Tellers for the noes:—Mr. George Thorne: 73. Mr. Cope: 242.

Another Amendment proposed, in p. 10, l. 4, to leave out the word "microscopes."—(Mr. Hogge.)

Question put, That those words be there inserted.

The Committee divided.


Tellers for the noes:—Mr. Tootill: 74. Mr. Alfred Davies: 76.

Another Amendment proposed, in p. 10, l. 4, to leave out the words "field and opera glasses."—(Mr. Hogge.)

Question put, That the words proposed to be left out stand part of the Schedule.

The Committee divided.

Tellers for the yeas:—Mr. Dudley Ward: 212. Mr. Cope: 100.

Tellers for the noes:—Mr. George Thorne: 73. Mr. Alfred Davies: 76.

Another Amendment proposed, in p. 10, l. 4, to leave out the word "theodolites."—(Mr. Hogge.)

Question proposed, That the word "theodolites" stand part of the Schedule:—Debate arising:—Vol. 176.
Admiralty Pensions [Commutation, &c.]

Colonel Leslie Wilson reported from the Committee on Admiralty Pensions (Commutation, &c.), a Resolution; which was read, as followeth:

That it is expedient to make further provision, out of moneys provided by Parliament, with respect to Admiralty Pensions, and with respect to Pensions, Grants or Allowances payable under the Injuries in War (Compensation) Acts, and the Government War Obligations Acts.

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;

Ordered, That the Debate be now adjourned.

—(Colonel Leslie Wilson.)

Ordered, That the Debate be resumed this day.

The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Clinical Thermometers Bill;

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time upon Monday next.

Licensing (No. 2) Bill.

The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Licensing (No. 2) Bill;

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time upon Friday next.

Salmon and Freshwater Fisheries (No. 2) Bill.

The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Salmon and Freshwater Fisheries (No. 2) Bill;

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time upon Monday next.

Finance Bill.

The Order of the day being read, for the Third Reading of the Finance Bill;

Ordered, That the Bill be read the third time upon Friday next.


The Order of the day being read, for receiving the Report from the Committee of Supply of the 14th day of this instant July;

Ordered, That the Report be received this day.

Police Pensions Bill.

The Order of the day being read, for resuming the adjourned Debate on the Question proposed upon the 15th day of this instant July, on consideration of the Amendments made by the Lords to the Police Pensions Bill, That this House doth agree with the Lords in their Amendment in p. 3, l. 38.:

Ordered, That the Debate be further adjourned till this day.

Supply.

The Order of the day being read, for the Committee of Supply;

Resolved, That this House will, this day, resolve itself into the said Committee.

Telegraph (Money) Bill.

The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Telegraph (Money) Bill;

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time this day.

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.

Resolved, That the contract, dated the 1st and 4th days of July 1921, between the Postmaster General and Messieurs David MacBrayne, Limited, for the maintenance of certain parcel post and cargo sea services in the West Highlands and Islands of Scotland, and for the conveyance of mails by certain of the vessels so employed be approved.—(Mr. Hilton Young.)

The Order of the day being read, for taking into consideration the Children of Unmarried Parents Bill, as amended in the Standing Committee;

Ordered, That the Bill be taken into consideration this day.

The Order of the day being read, for taking Guardship, into further consideration the Guardianship, &c., of Infants of Infants Bill, as amended in the Standing Committee;

Ordered, That the Bill be taken into further consideration this day.

The Order of the day being read, for the Last Second Reading of the Land Nationalisation Bill;

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time this day.

The Order of the day being read, for the Increase of Rent (Restrictions) Bill;

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time upon Thursday the 25th day of this instant July.

The Order of the day being read, for the Trade Disputes Second Reading of the Trade Disputes Bill;

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time this day.

The Order of the day being read, for resuming the adjourned Debate on the Question proposed upon the 3rd day of June last, That the Dogs' Protection Bill be now read a second time.

Ordered, That the Debate be further adjourned till this day.

The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Declaration of Rights Bill;

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time this day.

A Motion being made, That this House will, this day, resolve itself into a Committee to consider of providing for the payment of a lump sum in satisfaction of claims of Irish Railway Companies under an agreement with the Government and otherwise, in respect of the possession or control of their undertakings by the Government for the distribution of such sum amongst the several companies, and for the continuance of a clause in the said agreement—(Colonel Leslie Wilson);

Mr. Austen Chamberlain, by His Majesty's Command, acquainted the House that His Majesty, having been informed of the subject-matter of this Motion, recommends it to the consideration of the House.

Resolved, That this House will, this day, resolve itself into the said Committee.

And it being after half-past Eleven of the Adjournment clock on Wednesday evening, Mr. Speaker adjourned the House without Question put, pursuant to the Standing Order, it being then six minutes before One of the clock on Thursday morning, till this day.
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[No. 103.]

Thursday, 21st July 1921.

The House met at a quarter of an hour before Three of the clock.

PRAYERS.

Mr. Speaker laid upon the Table,—Report from one of the Examiners of Petitions for Private Bills, That in the case of the following Bill, originating in the Lords, and referred on the First Reading thereof, the Standing Orders not previously inquired into, which are applicable thereto, have been complied with, viz.:

Stock Conversion and Investment Trust Bill [Lords];

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time.

HartOGee Gas Bill.

The House proceeded to take into consideration the Amendments made by the Lords to the Harrogate 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.

Lee Conservancy Bill.

The Lee Conservancy Bill was read the third time and passed.

Ordered, That the Clerk do carry the Bill to the Lords, and desire their concurrence.

Thames Conservancy Bill.

The Thames Conservancy Bill was read the third time and passed.

Ordered, That the Clerk do carry the Bill to the Lords, and desire their concurrence.

Pier and Harbour Provisional Orders (No. 1) Bill.

The Pier and Harbour 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.

Pilotage Provisional Orders (No. 7) Bill.

The Pilotage 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.

Superannuation Act, 1876, No. 179.

Mr. Fisher presented, by His Majesty's Commissary, a Paper, which was presented upon the 8th day of this instant July, relative to Superannuation, 1876, be printed.

Board of Education.

Mr. Fisher presented, by His Majesty's Command,—Copy of Report made to the Board of Education in the result of an Inquiry into Endowments subject to the provisions of the Charitable Trusts Acts, 1855 to 1894, and appropriated in whole or in part to purposes of Education other than Elementary, in the County of Cornwall or in any part thereof.

Ordered, That the said Paper do lie upon the Table.

Agricultural Prices (Ireland.) No. 181.

Sir Hamar Greenwood presented,—Return to an Order, dated the 9th day of June last, for a Return relative to Agricultural Prices (Ireland).

Ordered, That the said Return do lie upon the Table; and be printed.

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Mr. Secretary Shortt presented,—Return to Experiments an Address, dated the 14th day of this instant July, for a Return relative to Experiments on Living Animals.

Ordered, That the said Return do lie upon the Table; and be printed.

The Lord Advocate presented, pursuant to the Seeds Act, directions of an Act of Parliament,—Copy of the Seeds (Scotland) Regulations, 1921, dated 12th July 1921, made by the Board of Agriculture for Scotland under the Seeds Act, 1920.

Ordered, That the said Paper do lie upon the Table.

Ordered, That the Minutes of Proceedings of Indian Affairs, the Joint Committee on Indian Affairs from No. 180. 17th March 1921 to 13th July 1921, be printed.

Sir William Howell Davies reported the South Essex Waterworks Bill [Lords], with Amendments.

Ordered, That the Report do lie upon the Table; and be printed.

Sir William Howell Davies reported from the Private Bills Committee on Group II of Private Bills; That, (Group III) for the convenience of parties, the Committee had adjourned till Tuesday next, at half-past Eleven of the clock.

Ordered, That the Report do lie upon the Table.

Sir Park Goff reported from the Committee on the Ministry of Health Provisional Orders (Aberavon, Neath, and Swansea Extension) Bill; That they had considered the Orders therein contained; that the Provisional Order relating to Swansea ought not to be confirmed; that the other Orders ought to be confirmed, and that they had directed him to report the Bill, with the Amendments, to the House.

Sir Park Goff further reported from the Committee; That they had amended the Title of the Bill, as follows:—A Bill to confirm certain Provisional Orders of the Minister of Health relating to Aberavon and Neath.

Ordered, That the Report do lie upon the Table.

Ordered, that the Bill, as amended in the Committee, be taken into consideration tomorrow.

Sir Park Goff reported from the Committee on Group F of Private Bills; That, for the convenience of parties, the Committee had adjourned till Monday next, at half-past Eleven of the clock.

Ordered, That the Report do lie upon the Table.

Sir Halford Mackinder reported from Standing Committee A, to whom the Railways Bill (allotted portions) was referred; That they had gone through so much of the Bill as was allocated to them by the Order of the House of the 6th day of this instant July and made Amendments thereunto.
Ordered, That the Report do lie upon the Table; and be printed.

Ordered, That the Minutes of the Proceedings of the Standing Committee be printed.

Bill 184. Ordered, That the Bill, as amended in the Standing Committee and in Standing Committee B, be taken into consideration upon Wednesday next; and be printed.

Adjournment of the House. (German alleged war criminals.)

Mr. Bottomley, Member for South Hackney, 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 pledge itself to take steps at once to secure the trial of the remainder of the alleged German war criminals upon the British list, and the opportunity thus afforded of further escapes from Germany of persons whose names are upon such list; 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 but not less than ten having accordingly risen, and a Division being claimed;

And the Question being put, That leave be given to move, That this House do now adjourn; the House divided.

The Yeas to the Right; The Noes to the Left.

Tellers for the Yeas, [Mr. Bottomley, Major Christopher Lovett] 26.

Tellers for the Noes, [Mr. Austin Hepkinson] 95.

So it passed in the Negative.

Mr. موارو reported from the Committee of Supply of the 12th day of May last, a Resolution; which was read, as followeth:

Civil Services Estimates, 1921-22.

Class VII.

That a sum not exceeding £15,245,098 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 1922 for the Salaries and Expenses of the Ministry of Health, including Grants and other Expenses in connection with Housing, Grants to Local Authorities, sundry Contributions and Grants in respect of Benefits and Expenses of Administration under the National Health Insurance Acts, 1911 to 1920, certain Grants in Aid, and certain Special Services arising out of the War.

The said Resolution, being read a second time;

An Amendment was proposed to be made to the Resolution, by leaving out "£15,245,098," and inserting "£15,245,098," (Mr. Asquith,) instead thereof.

And the Question being put, That "£15,245,098" stand part of the Resolution; the House divided.

The Yeas to the Right; The Noes to the Left.

Tellers for the Col. Leslie Wilson, Yeas, [Mr. McCurdty] 254.

Tellers for the Mr. George Thorne, Noes, [Mr. Griffiths] 67.

So it was resolved in the Affirmative. And the Resolution was agreed to.

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 taking Emergency into consideration His Majesty's Message of Powers Act, the 30th day of May last, relative to the Emergency Powers Act, 1920.

Ordered, That the said Message be taken into consideration upon Thursday next.

The Order of the day being read, for resuming the adjourned Debate on the Question proposed upon the 28th day of June last, That the Summer Time Bill be now read a second time;

Ordered, That the Debate be further adjourned till Thursday next.

The Order of the day being read, for taking Consideration the Corn Production Acts Repeal (Compensation) Bill, as amended in the Standing Bill Committee;

Ordered, That the Bill be taken into consideration upon Monday next.

The Order of the day being read, for resuming the adjourned Debate on the Question proposed upon the 20th day of this instant July, That this House doth agree with the Lords in their resolution in the Resolution, That it is expedient to make further provision, out of moneys provided by Parliament, with respect to Admiralty Pensions, and with respect to Pensions, Grants, or Allowances payable under the Injuries in War (Compensation) Acts, and the Government War Obligations Acts.

And the Question being again proposed,—The House resumed the said adjourned Debate.

And the Question being put,—It was resolved in the Affirmative.

Ordered, That a Bill be brought in upon the Admiralty said Resolution, and that Mr. Amery, Mr. Muirhead, Mr. Hilton Young, and Commander Eyres-Monsell, do prepare and bring it in.

Mr. Amery accordingly presented a Bill to make further provision with respect to Admiralty Pensions Bill, and with respect to Pensions, Grants, or Allowances payable under the Injuries in War (Compensation) Acts, and the Government War Obligations Acts: 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 receiving the Report from the Committee of Supply of [14th July] report.

The 14th day of this instant July; The House divided.

Ordered, That the Report be received to-morrow.

The Order of the day being read, for resuming the adjourned Debate on the Question proposed Bill, upon the 15th day of this instant July, on consideration of the Amendments made by the Lords to the Police Pensions Bill, That this House doth agree with the Lords in their Amendment in p. 3, l. 38.

Ordered, That the Debate be further adjourned till to-morrow.
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Telegraph (Money) Bill.

The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Telegraph (Money) Bill;

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time to-morrow.

Ways and Means.

The Order of the day being read, for the Committee of Ways and Means:

Resolved, That this House will, to-morrow, resolve itself into the said Committee.

Irish Railways [Settlement of Claims.]

The Order of the day being read, for the Committee on Irish Railways [Settlement of Claims];

Resolved, That this House will, to-morrow, resolve itself into the said Committee.

House of Commons (Kitchen and Refreshment Rooms.)

Ordered, That Mr. Kennedy Jones be discharged from the Select Committee on House of Commons (Kitchen and Refreshment Rooms).

Ordered, That Mr. Bottomley be added to the Committee.—(Colonel Gibbs.)

Salmon and Freshwater Fisheries Bill.

The Order of the day being read, for resuming the adjourned Debate on the Question proposed upon the 11th day of this instant July, That the Salmon and Freshwater Fisheries Bill be now read the third time;

Ordered, That the Debate be further adjourned till Monday next.

Children of Unmarried Parents Bill.

The Order of the day being read, for taking into consideration the Children of Unmarried Parents Bill, as amended in the Standing Committee;

Ordered, That the Bill be taken into consideration to-morrow.

Guardianship, &c., of Infants Bill.

The Order of the day being read, for taking into further consideration the Guardianship, &c., of Infants Bill, as amended in the Standing Committee;

Ordered, That the Bill be taken into further consideration upon Monday next.

Land Nationalisation Bill.

The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Land Nationalisation Bill;

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time upon Monday next.

Trade Disputes Bill.

The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Trade Disputes Bill;

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time to-morrow.

Dogs’ Protection Bill.

The Order of the day being read, for resuming the adjourned Debate on the Question proposed upon the 3rd day of June last, That the Dogs’ Protection Bill be now read a second time;

Ordered, That the Debate be further adjourned till to-morrow.

Declaration of Rights Bill.

The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Declaration of Rights Bill;

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time to-morrow.

German Reparation Recovery Act.

A Motion was made, and the Question being proposed, That the operation of the German Reparation Recovery Act be suspended until

the House otherwise determine — (Captain Wedgwood Benn): — And a Debate arising there-upon;

And the House having continued to sit till after Twelve of the clock on Friday morning;

Friday, 22nd July 1921:

Mr. Chancellor of the Exchequer rose in his place and claimed to move, That the Question be now put:

And the Question being put, That the Question put (pursuant to S.O. Closure of Debate.)

The House divided.

The Yeas to the Right;

The Noes to the Left.

Tellers for the Colonel Leslie Wilson, Yes, Mr. McCarthy;

Noes, Mr. Lawson;

So it was resolved in the Affirmative.

And the Question being accordingly put, That the operation of the German Reparation Recovery Act be suspended until the House otherwise determine;

The House divided.

The Yeas to the Right;

The Noes to the Left.

Tellers for the Colonel Leslie Wilson, Yes, Mr. McCarthy;

Noes, Mr. Lawson;

So it passed in the Negative.

And it being after half-past Eleven of the adjournment, clock on Thursday evening, Mr. Speaker adjourned the House without Question put, pursuant to the Standing Order, it being then twenty-four minutes after Twelve of the clock on Friday morning, till this day.

STANDING COMMITTEES.

Distribution by Mr. Speaker, pursuant to Standing Order No. 47, of Bills committed to a Standing Committee.

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Friday, 22nd July 1921.

The House met at Twelve of the clock.

PRAYERS.

The House proceeded to take into consideration the Amendments made by the Lords Bill, to the Swansea 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.

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Coyaghun's Divorce Bill [Lords.] was read the third time and passed.
Ordered, That the Clerk do carry the Bill to the Lords; and acquaint them that this House hath agreed to the same, without Amendment.

The House proceeded to take into consideration the Grimsby Corporation Bill [Lords.], as amended in the Committee.

And Amendments were made to the Bill.
Ordered, That the Bill be read the third time.

Liverpool Corporation Bill [Lords.]

Ordered, That the Liverpool Corporation Bill [Lords.], as amended in the Committee, be taken into consideration upon Monday next.

Metropolitan Water Board (Charges) Bill

Ordered, That the Metropolitan Water Board (Charges) Bill, as amended in the Committee, be taken into consideration upon Monday next.

Ministry of Health
Provisional Orders
(Aberavon and Neath Extension) Bill, as changed from the Provisional Orders (Aberavon and Neath Extension) Bill, as amended in the Committee.

Ordered, That the Bill be read the third time upon Monday next.

Mr. Munro presented a Bill to confirm a Provisional Order under the Private Legislation Procedure (Scotland) Act, 1899, relating to Bridge of Allan Water, &c.: and the same was read the first time, and ordered (under Section 9 of the Act) to be read a second time upon Monday the 1st day of August next; and to be printed.

A Public Petition was presented, and read; and ordered to lie upon the Table.

Ordered, That the Paper relative to Intermediate Education (Ireland), which was presented upon the 2nd day of May last, be printed.

Dr. Macnamara presented, pursuant to the directions of an Act of Parliament,—Copy of the Unemployment Insurance (Transitional) Regulations, 1921, made by the Minister of Labour on 16th July 1921 under the Unemployment Insurance (No. 2) Act, 1920.

Ordered, That the said Paper do lie upon the Table.

Mr. Secretary Shortt presented, by His Majesty's Command,—Copy of Second Report of the Departmental Committee appointed by the Secretary of State for the Home Department to inquire and report as to the conditions necessary for the adequate lighting of factories and workshops.

Ordered, That the said Paper do lie upon the Table.

The Lord Advocate, by His Majesty's Command,—Copy of Forty-Eighth Annual Report by the Accountant in Edinburgh to the Scottish Education Department.

Ordered, That the said Paper do lie upon the Table.

Mr. Bridgeman presented, by His Majesty's Command,—Copy of Final Report of the Departmental Committee on Spontaneous Combustion of Coal in Mines.

Ordered, That the said Paper do lie upon the Table.

Ordered, That there be laid before this House a Return showing, so far as particulars are available, the total Expenditure (other than out of Loans) in England and Wales under certain Acts of Parliament during the years ended the 31st day of March 1891, 1901, 1911 and 1920, respectively, and the total number of persons directly benefiting from the Expenditure for the year 1920, together with similar particulars for Scotland and Ireland.—(Mr. Hilton Young.)

Mr. John William Wilson reported from the Standing Committee (Chairmen's Panel) that they had appointed Sir William Watson Rutherford to act as Chairman of Standing Committee C (in respect of the Territorial Army and Militia Bill).

Ordered, That the Report do lie upon the Table.

The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Licensing (No. 2) Bill; (No. 2) Bill.

And a Motion being made, and the Question being proposed, That the Bill be now read a second time;

An Amendment was proposed to be made to the Question, by leaving out the words "now," and, at the end of the Question, adding the words "upon this day three months."—(Mr. Bottomley.)

And the Question being proposed, That the word "now" stand part of the Question:—The said proposed Amendment was, with leave of the House, withdrawn.

And the Main Question being put;

Ordered, That the Bill be now read a second time:—The Bill was accordingly read a second time;

A Motion was made, and the Question being put, That the Bill be committed to a Committee of the whole House.—(Mr. Bottomley):

The House divided.

Tellers for the Yeas;
Mr. Bottomley, Major Christopher
Lortcher:

Tellers for the Noes; Colonel Leslie Wilson, Mr. Dudley Ward:

So it passed in the Negative.

The Bill was committed to a Standing Committee.

The Order of the day being read, for resuming the adjourned Debate on the Question proposed Bill, upon the 16th day of this instant July, on consideration of the Amendments made by the Lords to the Police Pensions Bill, that this House doth agree with the Lords in their Amendment in p. 3, l. 38.

Ordered, That the Debate be further adjourned till Monday next.

The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Telegraph (Money) Bill; (Money) 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 Finance Bill;
Ordered, That the Bill be read the third 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 the Second Reading of the Admiralty Pensions Bill;
Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time upon Monday next.

The Order of the day being read, for receiving the Report from the Committee of Supply of the 14th day of this instant July;
Ordered, That the Report be received upon Thursday next.

The Order of the day being read, for the Committee of Ways and Means;
Resolved, That this House will, upon Monday next, resolve itself into the said Committee.

The Order of the day being read, for taking into consideration the Children of Unmarried Parents Bill, as amended in the Standing Committee;
Ordered, That the Bill be taken into consideration upon Monday next.

The House, according to Order, proceeded to take into consideration the Amendments made by the Lords to the Health Resorts and Watering Places Bill; and the same were twice read, and agreed to.
Ordered, That the Clerk do carry the Bill to the Lords; and acquaint them that this House hath agreed to the Amendments made by their Lordships.

The Order of the day being read, for taking into consideration the Amendments made by the Lords to the Admiralty Pensions Bill; and the same were twice read, and agreed to.
Ordered, That the Clerk do carry the Bill to the Lords; and acquaint them that this House hath agreed to the Amendments made by their Lordships.

The House proceeded to take into consideration the Amendments made by the Lords to the London County Council (General Powers) Bill; and the same were twice read, and agreed to.
Ordered, That the Clerk do carry the Bill to the Lords; and acquaint them that this House hath agreed to the Amendments made by their Lordships.

The House proceeded to take into consideration the Amendments made by the Lords to the Southend and South Shields Water Bill: And the same were twice read, and agreed to.
Ordered, That the Clerk do carry the Bill to the Lords; and acquaint them that this House hath agreed to the Amendments made by their Lordships.

The House proceeded to take into consideration the Amendments made by the Lords to the Slough Trading Company, Limited (Canal) Bill [Lords.], as amended in the Committee.
Ordered, That the Bill be read the third time.

The De Trafford Estates Bill [Lords.] was read a second time, and committed.

The London and North Western Railway (Holyhead Harbour Leasing) Bill [Lords.] was read a second time, and committed.

The Slough Trading Company, Limited (Canal) Bill [Lords.] was read a second time, and committed.

The Wolverton Estate Bill [Lords.] was read a second time, and committed.

The Order of the day being read, for taking into consideration the Liverpool Corporation Bill [Lords.], as amended in the Committee;
Ordered, that the Bill be taken into consideration upon Wednesday next, at a quarter of an hour after Eight of the clock.

The Order of the day being read, for taking into consideration the Metropolitan Water Board (Charges) Bill, as amended in the Committee;
Ordered, That the Bill be taken into consideration upon Thursday next.

The Ministry of Health Provisional Orders Bill (Aberavon and Neath Extension) 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 met at a quarter of an hour before Three of the clock.

Prayers.

The House proceeded to consider the Amendments made by the Lords to the Southend Water Bill, as amended in the Committee.
Ordered, That the Bill be read the third time.

The London and North Western Railway (Holyhead Harbour Leasing) Bill [Lords.] was read a second time, and committed.

The Slough Trading Company, Limited (Canal) Bill [Lords.] was read a second time, and committed.

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Ordered, That the Clerk do carry the Bill to the Lords, and desire their concurrence.

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Gas Regulation Act, 1920.

A Public Petition was presented, and read; and ordered to lie upon the Table.

Mr. Baldwin presented, by His Majesty's Command,—Copy of Draft of Special Order proposed to be made by the Board of Trade under the Gas Regulation Act, 1920, on the application of the Mayor, Aldermen, and Burgesses of the county borough of Stoke-on-Trent.

Copy of Draft of Special Order proposed to be made by the Board of Trade under the Gas Regulation Act, 1920, on the application of the Mayor, Aldermen, and Burgesses of the borough of Glastonbury.

Copy of Report to the Board of Trade of the Departmental Committee on Carbon Monoxide appointed in pursuance of the Gas Regulation Act, 1920.

Copy of Annual Statement of the Navigation and Shipping of the United Kingdom for the year 1919, with comparative tables for the years 1915 to 1919.

Ordered, That the said Papers do lie upon the Table.

Mr. Fisher presented, by His Majesty's Command,—Copy of Estimates of the Expenditure of Local Education Authorities in England and Wales in the financial year 1921–22.

Ordered, That the said Paper do lie upon the Table.

Sir Arthur Griffith-Boscawen presented, pursuant to the directions of an Act of Parliament,—Copy of Order, dated 18th July 1921, under the Diseases of Animals Acts, authorising the landing of two Antelopes in the port of Liverpool.

Ordered, That the said Paper do lie upon the Table.

Mr. Secretary Shortt presented, by His Majesty's Command,—Copy of Judical Statistics (England and Wales) Part I., relating to Criminal Proceedings, Police, Corners, Prisons, Bedlam, and Industrial Schools, and Criminal Lunatics, for the year 1919.

Ordered, That the said Paper do lie upon the Table.

Sir William Howell Davies reported from the Committee on Group H of Private Bills; That the parties opposing the Pilotage Provisional Orders (No. 2) Bill had stated that the evidence of Captain James Stuart Wykele was essential to their case; and it having been proved that his attendance could not be procured without the intervention of the House, he had been instructed to move that the said Captain James Stuart Wykele do attend the said Committee to-morrow at half-past Eleven of the clock.

Ordered, That Captain James Stuart Wykele do attend the Committee on Group H of Private Bills to-morrow, at half-past Eleven of the clock.

Sir Samuel Roberts reported from the Committee of Selection; That they had discharged the following Members from Standing Committee A: Major Capes, Colonel Gretton, Mr. Hurd, Mr. Mason, Mr. Matthews, Colonel Nall, Mr. Wateron, and Mr. Woolcoch; and had appointed in substitution: Major Breeze, Mr. Harold Downes, Sir Henry Muret, Major Palmer, Mr. Allen Parkinson, Colonel Rae, Mr. Sidney Robinson, and Mr. Rodger.

Sir Samuel Roberts further reported from the Standing Committee A: That they had added the following Members to Standing Committee A in respect of the Licensing (No. 2) Bill:—Mr. Attorney General, Sir John Beird, Mr. Rees Evans, Sir Edward Childs, Colonel Sir James Greig, Colonel Gretton, Mr. Lun, Mr. Munro, Mr. Murchison, Sir Herbert Nield, Captain O'Grady, Mr. Raffery, Mr. Robert Richardson, and Mr. Solicitor General for Scotland.

Sir Samuel Roberts further reported from the Standing Committee A: That they had discharged the following Members from Standing Committee A during the consideration of the Licensing (No. 2) Bill:—Mr. Seddon, and Sir Charles Townshend; and had appointed in substitution: Mr. Broad and Mr. Stimm.

Sir Samuel Roberts further reported from the Standing Committee C: That they had added the following Members to Standing Committee C:—Sir Arthur Shirley-Benn, Colonel Sir James Greig, Mr. Gould, Major Malone, Mr. Sexton, Captain Sir Breille Stanier, Mr. Waddington, Mr. Stephen Welch, Colonel Perry Williams, and Colonel Sir Rhys Williams.

Ordered, That the Reports do lie upon the Table.

Mr. Wigan, supported by Mr. Clynes, Mr. illegitimacy Arthur Henderson, and Mr. Griffiths, presented a Bill to extend and amend enacts relating to bastardy and to affiliation and certain other orders, and to provide for the legitimation by the marriage of illegitimate persons by the marriage of their parents, and to amend the law relating to the rate of legacy duty and succession duty in the case of illegitimate persons, and otherwise to make further provision with respect to illegitimates and illegitimate persons and their parents, and for purposes connected with the matters aforesaid: And the same was ordered to be read a second time upon Wednesday the 10th day of August next; and to be printed.

The House, according to Order, proceeded to take into consideration the Corn Production Acts (Repeal) Bill, as amended in the Standing Committee.

An Amendment was proposed to be made to the Bill, in p. 1, l. 6, by inserting at the beginning thereof, the words "Except the provisions of Part II. (and any consequential provisions thereto) of the Corn Production Act, 1917; as amended by the Agriculture Act, 1920."—(Mr. Royce.)

And the Question being put, That those words be there inserted in the Bill; The House divided. The Yeas to the Right; The Noes to the Left.

Tellers for the Yeas, Mr. Walter Smith, Yeas, 73. Mr. Wintringham.

Tellers for the Noes, Mr. McCurdy, Noes, 202.

So it passed in the Negative.
Then Amendments were made to the Bill.

Another Amendment was proposed to be made to the Bill, in p. 2, l. 26, by inserting, after the word "shall," the words "except in case of dispute."—(Mr. Acland.)

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. 4, l. 31, by inserting, at the end thereof, the words—

"(8) Any minimum rate of wages fixed under the enactments repealed by this Act whether in operation at the date on which the repeal takes effect or fixed to come into operation at a later date, shall, as from the date of the repeal or that later date, have effect as if it were a minimum rate of wages agreed to by a committee and confirmed by the Minister under this Act:

Provided that such rate shall cease to have effect in any area if and when either another rate in substitution thereof is agreed to by the joint conciliation committee for that area and confirmed by the Minister, or the Minister shall by order declare that he is satisfied that the failure to agree to such rate is due to the action of the representatives of the workmen upon such committee."—(Mr. Acland.)

And the Question being put, That those words be there inserted in the Bill.

The House divided.

The Yeas to the Right;

Tellers for the (Mr. Wistramgton. Yeas, Mr. Walter Smith: 57.

Tellers for the (Colonel Leslie Wilson. Noes, Mr. McCurdy: 184.

So it passed in the Negative.

Then another Amendment was made to the Bill.

Another Amendment was proposed to be made to the Bill, in p. 4, l. 31, by inserting after the words last inserted, the words—

"(9) In this section—

(a) The expression 'agriculture' includes dairy farming and the use of land as grazing, meadow, or pasture land, or orchard, or osier land, or woodland, or for market gardens or nursery grounds, and the expression 'agriculture' shall be construed accordingly;

(b) The expression 'workmen' includes boys, women, and girls;

(c) The expression 'employment' means employment under a contract of service or apprenticeship, and the expression 'employ' and 'employer' shall be construed accordingly."—(Mr. Walter Smith.)

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. 3, by leaving out the words "or woodland."—(Mr. Lane-Fox.)

And the Question being proposed, That the words "or woodland" stand part of the proposed Amendment.—The Amendment to the said proposed Amendment was, with leave of the House, withdrawn.

And the Question being put, That the proposed words be there inserted in the Bill:—It was resolved in the Affirmative.

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The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Government of Burma Bill [Lords] ;
Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time upon Monday next.

The Order of the day being read, for resuming the adjourned Debate on the Amendment which, upon the 3rd day of May last, was proposed to be made to the Eleventh of the Resolutions which, upon the 21st day of May last, were reported from the Committee of Supply of the 21st day of April last;
Ordered, That the Debate be further adjourned till Monday next.

The Order of the day being read, for taking into consideration the Twelfth of the Resolutions which, upon the 2nd day of May last, were reported from the Committee of Supply of the 21st day of April last;
Ordered, That the said Resolution be taken into consideration upon Monday next.

The Order of the day being read, for resuming the adjourned Debate on the Question proposed upon the 2nd day of May last, That this House doth agree with the Committee in the Third of the Resolutions which were then reported from the Committee of Supply of the 21st day of April last;
Ordered, That the Debate be further adjourned till Monday next.

The Order of the day being read, for receiving the Report from the Committee of Supply of the 21st day of June last;
Ordered, That the Report be received upon Monday next.

The Order of the day being read, for taking into further consideration the First of the Resolutions which, upon the 24th day of June last, were reported from the Committee of Supply of the 23rd day of June last;
Ordered, That the said Resolution be taken into further consideration upon Monday next.

The Order of the day being read, for taking into consideration the Fifth and subsequent Resolutions which, upon the 25th day of May last, were reported from the Committee of Supply of the 24th day of May last;
Ordered, That the said Resolutions be taken into consideration to-morrow.

The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Law of Property Bill [Lords] ;
Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time upon Monday next.

The Order of the day being read, for taking Water Undertakings (Modification of Charges) Bill, as amended in the Standing Committee;
Ordered, That the Bill be taken into consideration to-morrow.

The Order of the day being read, for taking War Pensions into consideration the War Pensions Bill, as amended in the Standing Committee;
Ordered, That the Bill be taken into consideration to-morrow.

The Order of the day being read, for taking Safeguarding into consideration the Safeguarding of Industries Bill; as amended in the Committee;
Ordered, That the Bill be taken into consideration upon Monday next.

The Order of the day being read, for the Clinical Thermometers Bill;
Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time upon Monday next.

The Order of the day being read, for the Salmon and Freshwater Fisheries (No. 2) Bill; (No. 2) Bill;
Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time upon Monday next.

The Order of the day being read, for the Education (Consolidation) Bill [Lords] ;
Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time upon Wednesday next.

The Order of the day being read, for resuming the adjourned Debate on the Question proposed upon the 11th day of this instant July, That the Salmon and Freshwater Fisheries Bill be now read the third time;
Ordered, That the Debate be further adjourned till Monday next.

The Order of the day being read, for taking into further consideration the Guardianship &c., of Infants Bill, as amended in the Standing Committee;
Ordered, That the Bill be taken into further consideration to-morrow.

The Order of the day being read, for taking into consideration the Children of Unmarried Parents Bill, as amended in the Standing Committee;
Ordered, That the Bill be taken into consideration to-morrow.
The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Land Nationalisation 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 Trade Disputes Bill:

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time to-morrow.

The Order of the day being read, for resuming the adjourned Debate on the Question proposed upon the 3rd day of June last, That the Dogs' Protection Bill be now read a second time;

Ordered, That the Debate be further adjourned till to-morrow.

The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Declaration of Rights Bill:

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time to-morrow.

A Motion was made, and the Question being proposed, That the House do now adjourn—(Colonel Leslie Wilson);

And it being half an hour after Eleven of the clock, Mr. Speaker adjourned the House without Question put, pursuant to the Standing Order, till to-morrow.

STANDING COMMITTEES.

Distribution, by Mr. Speaker, pursuant to Standing Order No. 47, of Bills committed to a Standing Committee.

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[No. 106.]

Tuesday, 26th July 1921.

The House met at a quarter of an hour before Three of the clock.

PRAYERS.

Mr. Speaker laid upon the Table.—Report from one of the Examiners of Petitions for Private Bills, That in the case of the following Bill, originating in the Lords, and referred on the First Reading thereof, the Standing Orders not previously inquired into, which are applicable thereto, have been complied with, viz.:

Taf Fechan Water Supply Bill [Lords].

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time.

The Stock Conversion and Investment Trust Bill [Lords] was read a second time, and committed.

Ordered, That Standing Order 211 be suspended, and that the Committee on Unopposed Bills have leave to consider the Bill on

Thursday next.—(The Chairman of Ways and Means.)

Ordered, That in the case of the De Trafford Estates Bill [Lords], Standing Order 211 be suspended, and that the Committee on Unopposed Bills have leave to consider the Bill on Thursday next.—(The Chairman of Ways and Means.)

Ordered, That in the case of the London and North Western Railway (Holycroft Harbour Leasing) Bill [Lords], Standing Order 211 be suspended, and that the Committee on Unopposed Bills have leave to consider the Bill on Thursday next.—(The Chairman of Ways and Means.)

Ordered, That in the case of the Slough Throg Trading Company, Limited (Canal) Bill [Lords], Standing Order 211 be suspended, and that the Committee on Unopposed Bills have leave to consider the Bill [Lords] on Thursday next.—(The Chairman of Ways and Means.)

Ordered, That in the case of the Wolverton Estate Bill [Lords], Standing Order 211 be suspended, and that the Committee on Unopposed Bills have leave to consider the Bill on Thursday next.—(The Chairman of Ways and Means.)

Mr. Baldwin presented, by His Majesty's Command,—Copy of Draft of Special Order, Regulation proposed to be made by the Board of Trade under the Gas Regulation Act, 1920, on the application of the British Gas Light Company, Limited, with respect to the Staffordshire Potteries Undertaking of that Company.

Ordered, That the said Paper do lie upon the Table.

Mr. S. C. Moss presented, by His Majesty's Command,—Copy of Statistical Abstract relating to British India from 1909 to 1918-19. Fifty-fourth Number.

Ordered, That the said Paper do lie upon the Table.

Mr. Arthur Balfour presented, pursuant to British the directions of several Acts of Parliament,—Copy of Order in Council under the British foreign Settlements Act, 1887, and the Foreign Jurisdiction Act, 1890, dated 14th July 1921, entitled Act, 1890, the Eastern African Court of Appeal Order in Council, 1921.

Copy of Order in Council, dated 14th July 1921, exempting an explosive consisting of an absorbent carbonaceous material impregnated with liquid air or oxygen from the provisions of the Explosives Act, 1875.

Copy of Order in Council under the Foreign Jurisdiction Act, 1890, dated 14th July 1921, entitled the Eastern African (Appeal to Privy Council) Order in Council, 1921.

Copy of Order in Council under the Greenwich Hospital Act, 1855, dated 14th July 1921, authorising a scale of salary for the Director of Greenwich Hospital.

Copy of Order in Council, dated 14th July 1921, applying the provisions of Sections 73 (1) and 74 (1) of the Merchant Shipping Act, 1894, to the ships of certain Indian Native States.

Copy of Order in Council under the Merchant Shipping Acts, 1894 to 1908, dated 14th July 1921, relating to the registration as British Ships of Vessels in the service of the Board of Trade.
Copy of Order in Council under the Treaties of Peace (Austria and Bulgaria) Act, 1919, entitled the India Treaty of Peace (Austria) (Amendment) Order, 1921.

Ordered, That the said Paper do lie upon the Table.

Dr. Macnamara presented, pursuant to the directions of an Act of Parliament,—Copy of Report on Conciliation and Arbitration for 1920, being particulars of Proceedings under the Industrial Courts Act, 1919 (including the Wages; (Temporary Regulation Acts, as amended), the Conciliation Act, 1896, and the Restoration of Pre-War Practices Act, 1919.

Ordered, That the said Paper do lie upon the Table; and be printed.

Secretary Sir Laming Worthington-Evans presented, pursuant to the directions of several Acts of Parliament,—Copy of Amendment to Rules for the Army Reserve.

Copy of Amendments to the Rules of Procedure under the Army Act.

Copy of Amendment to Rules for Military Detention Barracks and Military Prisons.

Ordered, That the said Papers do lie upon the Table.

Mr. Bendall reported from Standing Committee D, to whom the Criminal Law Amendment Bill [Lords] was referred; That they had gone through the Bill and made Amendments thereunto.

Ordered, That the Report do lie upon the Table; and be printed.

Ordered, That the Minutes of the Proceedings of the Standing Committee be printed.

Ordered, That the Bill, as amended in the Standing Committee, be taken into consideration upon Monday next; and be printed.

Mr. John William Wilson reported from the Chairman's Panel; That they had appointed him to act as Chairman of Standing Committee A (in respect of the Licensing (No. 2) Bill).

Ordered, That the Report do lie upon the Table.

Sir Samuel Roberts reported from the Committee of Selection; That they had discharged the following Members from Standing Committee A (during the consideration of the Licensing (No. 2) Bill):—Sir Thomas Bennett, Mr. Hayward, Sir William Raeburn, Colonel Romondell, and Mr. Stanton; and had appointed in substitution: Sir William Ryland Adkiris, Major Cape, Mr. Gould, Colonel Asheton Pownall, and Mr. Wintingharn.

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 Church of Scotland Bill, without any Amendment.

The Lords have agreed to the Coroners (Remuneration) Bill, without any Amendment.

The Lords have agreed to the Pier and Harbour Provisional Orders (No. 2) Bill, without any Amendment.

The Lords have agreed to the Ministry of Health Provisional Orders (No. 6) Bill, without any Amendment.

The Lords have agreed to the Ministry of Health Provisional Orders (No. 9) Bill, without any Amendment.

The Lords have agreed to the Ministry of Health Provisional Order (Shaftesbury Extension) Bill, without any Amendment.

The Lords have agreed to the Corn Sales Corn Sales Bill, with Amendments; to which the Lords desire the concurrence of this House.

The Lords have agreed to the Amendments Nelson made by this House to the Nelson Corporation Bill [Lords], without any Amendment.

The Lords have passed a Bill, intituled An Rhymney and Act for conferring further powers upon the Aber Valleys Gas and Water Company, and for other purposes; to which the Lords desire the concurrence of this House.

The Rhymney and Aber Valleys (Gas and Water Bill) was read the first time;

Ordered, That the Bill be referred to the Examiners of Petitions for Private Bills.

Sir William Howell Davies reported from the Committee on the Pilotage Provisional Orders (No. 5) Bill, That they had considered the Orders therein contained; that the said Orders (Provisional Orders) ought to be confirmed; and that they had directed him to report the Bill, with Amendments, to the House.

Ordered, That the Report do lie upon the Table.

Ordered, That the Bill, as amended in the Committee, be taken into consideration to-morrow.

Received, That for the remainder of the Business of the Session the House do meet on Fridays at Eleven o'clock, and that Four o'clock and half-past Four o'clock, respectively, as the hours for the interruption of Business and Adjournment of the House on that day.—(Mr. Austen Chamberlain.)

Ordered, That two additional days be allotted to the Business of Supply.—(Mr. Austen Chamberlain.)

A Motion was made, and the Question being Proposed, That, except on Fridays, Government Business for the remainder of the Session be not interrupted under the provisions of any Standing Order regulating the Sittings of the House, and may be entered upon at any hour, although opposed, and that at the conclusion of Government Business each day, or of Proceedings made in pursuance of any Act of Parliament requiring any order, rule, or regulation to be laid before the House of Commons, which shall be taken immediately after Government Business, Mr. Speaker do adjourn the House without Question put.—(Mr. Austen Chamberlain); the Question was amended, in l. 2, by leaving out the words "for the remainder of the Session," and inserting the words "until the 31st day of August,"—(Mr. Clynes), instead thereof.
The House, according to Order, resolved itself into the Committee of Supply.

Ordered, That, except on Fridays, Government Business until the 31st day of August be not interrupted under the provisions of any Standing Order regulating the Sittings of the House, and may be entered upon at any hour, although opposed, and that at the conclusion of Government Business each day, or of Proceedings made in pursuance of any Act of Parliament requiring any order, rule, or regulation to be laid before the House of Commons, which shall be taken immediately after Government Business, Mr. Speaker do adjourn the House without Question put.

The House, according to Order, resolved itself into the Committee of Supply.

(In the Committee.)

Civil Services Estimates, 1921-22.

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Motion made, and Question proposed, That a sum not exceeding £235,388 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 1922 for the Salaries and other Expenses in the Department of His Majesty's Treasury and Subordinate Departments:

Whereupon Motion made, and Question proposed, That Subhead A be reduced by £100. (Captain Wedgwood Benn): And it being Eleven of the clock, the Chairman proceeded to interrupt the business.

Whereupon Mr. Chancellor of the Exchequer rose in his place, and claimed to move, That the Question be now put.

Question put, That the Question be now put. The Committee divided.

Tellers for the [Colonel Leslie Wilson, 277. Yeas, ] Mr. McCurdy:

Tellers for the [Colonel Penny Williams], 64. Noes, [Major Watts Morgan]:

So it was resolved in the Affirmative.

Ordered, That the said Resolutions be taken into consideration upon Monday next.

The Order of the day being read, for taking into consideration the Fifth and subsequent Resolutions which, upon the 25th day of May last, were reported from the Committee of Supply of the 24th day of May last.

Ordered, That the said Resolutions be taken into consideration 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, to-morrow, resolve itself into the said Committee.

The Order of the day being read, for Supply (24th May) report.

The Order of the day being read, for re-Police Pensions (Standing Order regulating the Sittings of the House not interrupted under the provisions of any Standing Order regulating the Sittings of 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 re-Police Pensions Bill, the adjourned Debate on the Question proposed upon the 15th day of this instant July, on consideration of the Amendments made by the Lords to the Police Pensions Bill, That this House doth agree with the Lords in their Amendment, in p. 3, l. 88, leave out subsection (3), and insert ("; and

And the Question being again proposed:—

The House resumed the said adjourned Debate. And the said Motion was, with leave of the House, withdrawn.

The Lords' Amendment was amended, in l. 3, by leaving out the words "not exceeding fifty pounds a year,"—(Mr. Neville Chamberlain)—and, so amended, was agreed to.

Then the next Amendment, being read a second time, was agreed to.

The Lords' Amendment, in p. 3, l. 44, after ("dies"), insert ("within twelve months after the grant of the pension or at any time"); the next Amendment, being read a second time; and it appearing that the Commons were willing to waive their privileges, the same was agreed to.

Then the next Amendment, being read a second time, was agreed to.

The Lords' Amendment, in p. 4, l. 9, leave out subsection (2), the next Amendment, being read a second time; and it appearing that the Commons were willing to waive their privileges, the same was agreed to.

Then the subsequent Lords' Amendments as far as the Amendment in p. 4, l. 24, being read a second time, were agreed to.

The Lords' Amendment, in p. 4, l. 24, insert new clause A (Pensions of constables continuing to serve after qualification for pension), the next Amendment, being read a second time;

And a Motion being made, and the Question being proposed, That this House doth agree with the Lords in the said Amendment—(Mr. Secretary Shortt):

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And the House having continued to sit till after Twelve of the clock on Wednesday morning;

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And the Question being put;

The House divided.

The Yeas to the Right;

The Noes to the Left.

Tellers for the [Colonel Leslie Wilson, Yeas, (Mr. McCurdy:]

Colonel Sir James Remnant,

Tellers for the [Remnant, Noes, (Lieutenant-Commander Kenworthy:]

So it was resolved in the Affirmative; it appearing that the Commons were willing to waive their privileges.

The Lords' Amendment, in p. 4, l. 31, leave out from ("committee") to end of l. 38, the next Amendment, being read a second time, was agreed to.

The Lords' Amendment, in p. 5, l. 14, leave out from ("cause") to end of l. 18, the next Amendment, being read a second time; and it appearing that the Commons were willing to waive their privileges, the same was agreed to.

The next Amendment, being read a second time; and it appearing that the Commons were willing to waive their privileges, the same was agreed to.

Then the subsequent Lords' Amendments, as far as the Amendment in p. 7, l. 37, being read a second time, were agreed to.

The Lords' Amendment, in p. 7, l. 37, leave out ("may, if the police authority thinks fit") and insert ("without his own default"), the next Amendment, being read a second time; and it appearing that the Commons were willing to waive their privileges, the same was agreed to.

Then the subsequent Lords' Amendments, to the Amendment in p. 10, l. 45, being read a second time, were agreed to.

The Lords' Amendment, in p. 10, l. 45, after subsection (6), insert the following new subsection,—

("(7) Every grant which is a pension or allowance shall be paid, after the first instalment, in advance, except in the case of refusal to quit police quarters or any premises owned or rented by or on behalf of the police authority or the receiver for the Metropolitan police districts, or to give up any equipment, or to make any payments due to the police authority or the receiver, but where a person dies whilst in receipt of a grant paid in advance no return shall be required of any payments which have been made in respect of any period after his death "), the next Amendment, being read a second time;

An Amendment was proposed to be made to the Lords' Amendment, in l. 6, by leaving out the words "or to make any payments due to the police authority or the receiver."—(Lieutenant-Commander Kenworthy.)
The Order of the day being read, for the Committee on Irish Railways (Settlement of Claims):

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 Water Undertakings (Modification of Charges) Bill, as amended in the Standing Committee;

Ordered, That the Bill be taken into consideration this day.

The Order of the day being read, for taking into consideration the War Pensions Bill, as amended in the Standing Committee;

Ordered, That the Bill be taken into consideration this day.

Whereupon Mr. Deputy Speaker adjourned the House without Question put, pursuant to the Order of the House of the 26th day of this instant July, it being then half an hour after One of the clock on Wednesday morning, till this day.

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The House met at a quarter of an hour before Three of the clock.

PRAYERS.

Ordered, That the Grimsby Corporation Bill (Lords) be read the third time to-morrow.

The House proceeded to take into consideration the Hastings Tramways (Extension) Bill (Lords), as amended in the Committee;

Ordered, That the Bill be read the third time.

The House proceeded to take into consideration the Rhymney Valley Water Board Bill (Lords);

And Amendments were made to the Bill.

Ordered, That the Bill be read the third time.

Ordered, That the South Essex Waterworks Bill (Lords), as amended in the Committee, be taken into consideration upon Friday next.

The House, according to Order, proceeded to take into consideration the Pilotage Provisional Orders (No. 5) Bill, as amended in the Committee;

Ordered, That the Bill be read the third time to-morrow.

A Public Petition was presented, and read; and ordered to lie upon the Table.

Mr. Arthur Balfour presented, pursuant to the directions of several Acts of Parliament,—Copy of Order in Council under the Representation of the People Acts, 1918 to 1920, dated 14th July 1921, further amending the Representation of the People Order.

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Sir William Middlebrook reported from the Local Legislation Committee; That in the case of the Manchester Corporation (General Powers) Bill [Lords] they had examined the allegations contained in the Preamble 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.

Sir William Watson Rutherford reported from the Standing Committee C, to whom the Territorial Army and Militia Bill was referred; That they had gone through the Bill and made Amendments thereunto.

No. 190. Ordered, That the Report do lie upon the Table; and be printed.

No. 190. Ordered, That the Minutes of the Proceedings of the Standing Committee be printed.

Bill 191.

Ordered, That the Bill, as amended in the Standing Committee, be taken into consideration upon Monday next; and be printed.

Sir Park Goff reported from the Committee on the Ministry of Health Provisional Order (Cardiff Extension) Bill; That they had considered the Order therein contained; that the said Order ought to be confirmed; and that they had directed him to report the Bill, with Amendments, to the House.

Ordered, That the Report do lie upon the Table.

Ordered, That the Bill, as amended in the Committee, be taken into consideration to-morrow.

Mr. Speaker acquainted the House, That a Message had been brought from the Lords by one of their Clerks, as followeth:

The Lords have agreed to the Merchant Shipping Bill, without any Amendment.

The Lords have agreed to the Paisley Gas Order Confirmation Bill, without any Amendment.

The Lords have agreed to the Ministry of Health Provisional Orders (No. 7) Bill, with an Amendment; to which the Lords desire the concurrence of this House.

The Lords have agreed to the Saint Helens Corporation Bill, with Amendments; to which the Lords desire the concurrence of this House.

The Lords have passed a Bill, intituled An Act to dissolve the marriage of Mary Isabella Hamilton, of 112, Biddulph Mansions, Maida Vale, Paddington, in the county of London, with Arthur Cunningham Hamilton, and to enable her to marry again, and for other purposes, to which the Lords desire the concurrence of this House.

Ordered, That the Amendment made by the Lords to the Ministry of Health Provisional Orders (No. 7) Bill, be taken into consideration to-morrow.

Mr. Evelyn Cecil reported from the Select Committee on the Telephone Service; That they had taken Evidence on the matters to them referred, and had directed him to report the same to the House, together with Appendices, and with a Recommendation that a Committee be appointed in the next Session of Parliament to continue the Inquiry.

Ordered, That the Report do lie upon the Table; and be printed.

The Juries (Emergency Provisions) (Renewal) Bill [Lords] was read the first time; and ordered to be read a second time to-morrow;

and to be printed.

The Trusts (Scotland) Bill [Lords] was read the first time; and ordered to be read a second time to-morrow; and to be printed.

The Criminal Procedure (Scotland) 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 Corn Sales Bill be taken into consideration upon Friday next; and be printed.

Mr. Hilton Young, supported by Mr. Chancellor of the Exchequer, presented a Bill to amend the Exchequer and Audit Departments Bill, Acts, 1866 and 1889: And the same was ordered to be read a second time to-morrow; and to be printed.

Mr. Lane-Fox presented a Bill to confirm a scheme of the Charity Commissioners for the application or management of the charity consisting of the Congregational chapel, Sunday school, burial ground, and trust property in the parish of Frampton Cotterell, in the county of Gloucester: And the same was ordered to be read a second time upon Wednesday next; and to be printed.

The House, according to Order, proceeded to take into consideration the Railways Bill, as amended in the Standing Committees.

A Clause (Power of trustees to invest in securities of amalgamated companies)—(Mr. Neal)—was twice read; and made part of the Bill.

Another Clause was offered to be added to the Bill (Superannuation and benefit funds).—(Mr. William Graham.)

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 (Saving rights of railway companies excluded from amalgamation).—(Mr. George Roberts.)

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 (Preservation of existing traffic regulations of companies not grouped in the Act).—(Sir Frederick Hambury.)
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. 50, by inserting at the end thereof the words,—

"Provided that, notwithstanding anything contained in this Act, the Hull and Barnsley Railway shall not be included in any group in contravention of the agreement set forth in Schedule D to, and confirmed by, the Hull, Barnsley, and West Riding Junction and Dock Act, 1880, or of section eight (Company not to purchase Hull and Barnsley undertaking without consent of corporation) of the North Eastern Railway (Hull Docks) Act, 1893."—(Major Entwistle.)

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 | Major Entwistle, | 19.

Yea, | Mr. Murchison : | J.

Tellers for the | Colonel Leslie Wilson, Noes, | Mr. McCurdy : | 226.

So it passed in the Negative.

Another Amendment was proposed to be made to the Bill, in p. 2, l. 25, by leaving out the words "twenty-three," and inserting the words "twenty-two."—(Major Hills.)—instead thereof.

And the Question being proposed, That the words "Twenty-three" stand part of the Bill;—The said proposed Amendment was, with leave of the House, withdrawn.

Then other Amendments were made to the Bill.

Another Amendment was proposed to be made to the Bill, in p. 3, l. 21, by leaving out subsection(5).—(Mr. Neal.)

And the Question being put, That the words proposed to be left out stand part of the Bill;

The House divided.

The Yeas to the Right;

The Noes to the Left.

Tellers for the | Mr. Tyson Wilson, | 73.

Yea, | Mr. Walter Smith : | 2.

Tellers for the | Colonel Leslie Wilson, | 200.

Noes, | Mr. McCurdy : | 3.

So it passed in the Negative.

Then another Amendment was made to the Bill.

Another Amendment was proposed to be made to the Bill, in p. 4, l. 7, by inserting, after the word "scheme," the words "and may provide for the payment of compensation out of the assets of a constituent company to the directors of the company who suffer loss by abolition of office," be there inserted in the Bill;

The House divided.

The Yeas to the Right;

The Noes to the Left.

Tellers for the | Major Hills, | 140.

Yea, | Sir John Randles : | J.

Tellers for the | Colonel Wedgwood, Noes, | Mr. Tyson Wilson ; | 115.

So it was resolved in the Affirmative.

Another Amendment was proposed to be made to the Bill, in p. 4, l. 17, by leaving out the words "two years," and inserting the words "five years, or, if for special reasons the amalgamation tribunal think fit, ten years,"—(Mr. Neal)—instead thereof.

And the Question being put, That the words "two years" stand part of the Bill:—It passed in the Negative.

And the Question being put, "That the words "five years, or, if for special reasons the amalgamation tribunal think fit, ten years," be there inserted in the Bill;

The House divided.

The Yeas to the Right;

The Noes to the Left.

Tellers for the | Colonel Leslie Wilson, | 166.

Yea, | Mr. Dudley Ward ; | J.

Tellers for the | Colonel Wedgwood, | 81.

Noes, | Mr. Raffan ; | J.

So it was resolved in the Affirmative.

Another Amendment was proposed to be made to the Bill, in p. 4, l. 40, by leaving out subsection(2), and inserting the words,—

"(2) With respect to the Western Group the following provision shall have effect:—

(a) The amalgamation scheme shall provide for constituting the Great Western Railway Company the amalgamated company, and for amalgamating therewith the other constituent companies in the group;

(b) For the purposes aforesaid the scheme may provide for increasing all or any of the existing classes of loan and share capital of the Great Western Railway Company, or creating new classes of loan or share capital of that company, with such rights, priorities, and conditions as may be specified in the scheme, and for allocating to the holders of the loan and share capital of the other constituent companies the additional and new capital of the Great Western Railway Company so created to such amounts and in such manner as may be provided by the scheme;

(c) Notwithstanding anything in any special Act affecting the Great Western Railway Company, or the owners of any class of loan or share capital in that company, the additional capital of each class shall form part of, and rank pari passu with, the existing capital of that class, and any new class of capital may rank before any existing class of capital;

(d) Paragraph (a) of the foregoing subsection, so far as it relates to the incorporation of the amalgamated company, shall not apply, and paragraph (b) thereof, so far as it relates to the winding up of the constituent companies, shall not apply to the Great Western Railway Company;—(Mr. Neal)—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 the proposed words be there inserted in the Bill:—

An Amendment was proposed to be made to the proposed Amendment, in l. 17, by leaving out from the word "class," to the end of l. 18.—(Sir Frederick Banbury.)

And the Question being proposed, That the words proposed to be left out stand part of the Bill:—

The proposed Amendment was amended, in l. 18, by inserting, after the word "may", the words "with the assent of the majority of holders of the class of security affected."—(Sir Eric Geddes.)

And the Question being put, That the words—

"(2) With respect to the Western Group the following provision shall have effect:—

(a) The amalgamation scheme shall provide for constituting the Great Western Railway Company the amalgamated company, and for amalgamating therewith the other constituent companies in the group;

(b) For the purposes aforesaid the scheme may provide for increasing all or any of the existing classes of loan and share capital of the Great Western Railway Company, or creating new classes of loan or share capital of that company, with such rights, priorities, and conditions as may be specified in the scheme, and for allocating to the holders of the loan and share capital of the other constituent companies the additional and new capital of the Great Western Railway Company so created to such amounts and in such manner as may be provided by the scheme;

(c) Notwithstanding anything in any special Act affecting the Great Western Railway Company, or the holders of any class of loan or share capital in that company, the additional capital of each class shall form part of, and rank pari passu with, the existing capital of that class, and any new class of capital may, with the assent of the majority of holders of the class of security affected, rank before any existing class of capital;

(d) Paragraph (a) of the foregoing subsection, so far as it relates to the incorporation of the amalgamated company, shall not apply, and paragraph (b) thereof, so far as it relates to the winding up of the constituent companies, shall not apply to the Great Western Railway Company," be there inserted in the Bill:—It was resolved in the Affirmative.

Ordered, That further consideration of the Bill, as amended, be now adjourned.—(Sir Eric Geddes.)

Ordered, That the Bill, as amended in the Standing Committees, be taken into further consideration upon Monday next.

The House, according to Order, proceeded to take into consideration the Liverpool Corporation Bill [Lords], as amended in the Committee;

And Amendments were made to the Bill.

Ordered, That Standing Orders 223 and 243 be suspended, and that the Bill be now read the third time.—(The Chairman of Ways and Means.)

The Deputy Chairman, 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 His Majesty, as Duke of Lancaster, is concerned therein;

The Deputy Chairman, by His Majesty's Command, acquainted the House, that His Majesty, having been informed of the purport of the Bill, gives his Consent, so far as his Majesty's interest is concerned, that the House may do therein as they shall think fit.

Then the Bill was read the third time and passed, with Amendments.

Ordered, That the Clerk do carry the Bill to the Lords; and acquaint them that this House hath agreed, to the same, with Amendments; to which this House doth desire the concurrence of their Lordships.

The Order of the day being read, for the 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 Education Second Reading of the Education (Consolidation) Bill [Lords];

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time to-morrow.

The Order of the day being read, for the Ways and Committee of Ways and Means;

Resolved, That this House will, to-morrow, resolve itself into the said Committee.

The Order of the day being read, for the Telegraph Second Reading of the Telegraph (Money) Bill, Bill;

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time to-morrow.

The Admiralty Pensions Bill was, according to Order, read a second time, and committed to a Standing Committee.

The Order of the day being read, for the Irish Railways Committee on Irish Railways [Settlement of Claims];

Resolved, That this House will, upon Monday next, resolve itself into the said Committee.

The Order of the day being read, for taking Water Undertakings (Modification of Charges) Bill, as amended in the Standing Committee;

Ordered, That the Bill be taken into consideration to-morrow.

The Order of the day being read, for taking War Pensions into consideration the War Pensions Bill, as amended in the Standing Committee;

Ordered, That the Bill be taken into consideration to-morrow.

Whereupon Mr. Speaker adjourned the Adjournment House without Question put, pursuant to the Order of the House of the 26th day of this instant July, it being then twenty-four minutes before Twelve of the clock, till to-morrow.
The House met at a quarter of an hour before Three of the clock.

PRAYERS.

T HE Southend Water Bill [Lords] was read a third time and passed, with Amendments.

Ordered, That the Clerk do carry the Bill to the Lords; and acquaint them that this House hath agreed to the same, with Amendments; to which this House doth desire the concurrence of their Lordships.

The Order of the day being read, for the Third Reading of the Grimsby Corporation Bill [Lords];

And a Motion being made, That the Bill be now read the third time.

The Deputy Chairman, by His Majesty’s Command, acquainted the House, That His Majesty, having been informed of the purport of the Bill, gives His Consent, as far as His Majesty’s interest is concerned, that the House may do therein as they shall think fit.

Then the Bill was read the third time and passed, with Amendments.

Ordered, That the Clerk do carry the Bill to the Lords; and acquaint them that this House hath agreed to the same, with Amendments; to which this House doth desire the concurrence of their Lordships.

The Order of the day being read, for taking into consideration the Metropolitan Water Board (Charges) Bill, as amended in the Committee;

Ordered, That the Bill be taken into consideration upon Monday next, at a quarter of an hour after Eight of the clock.

The House proceeded to take into consideration the Amendment made by the Lords to the Ministry of Health Provisional Orders (No. 7) Bill; And the same was twice read, and agreed to.

Ordered, That the Clerk do carry the Bill to the Lords; and acquaint them that this House hath agreed to the Amendment made by their Lordships.

The Pilotage Provisional Orders (No. 5) Bill was, according to Order, read the third time and passed.

Ordered, That the Clerk do carry the Bill to the Lords, and desire their concurrence.

The Order of the day being read, for taking into consideration the Ministry of Health Provisional Order (Cardiff Extension) Bill, as amended in the Committee;

Ordered, That the Bill be taken into consideration to-morrow.

Mr. Munro presented a Bill to confirm a Provisional Order under the Private Legislation Procedure (Scotland) Act, 1909, relating to Peterhead Harbours; 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.

Mr. Hilton Young presented, by His Majesty’s Command,—Estimate of a further sum required to be voted for the Civil Services for the year 1921-22, ending 31st March 1922.

Copy of Fifth Annual Report of the National Savings Committee, July, 1921.

Mr. Hilton Young also presented,—Return to an Order dated the 19th day of this instant July, for a Return relative to Speech of the Lord President of the Council.

Ordered, That the said Estimate be referred to the Committee of Supply, and be printed; that the said Papers do lie upon the Table, and that the said Return be printed.

Sir Hamar Greenwood, presented, pursuant to the directions of an Act of Parliament,—Copy of Rule under the Intermediate Education (Ireland) Act, 1921, determining the maximum number of Superintendents to be appointed in 1921.

Ordered, That the said Paper do lie upon the Table.

Secretary Sir Laming Worthington-Evans presented, by His Majesty’s Command,—Estimate of Charge for Army Ordnance Factories (Ireland), for the year 1921-22.

Ordered, That the said Estimate be referred to the Committee of Supply; and be printed.

The following Papers, pursuant to the directions of several Acts of Parliament, were laid upon the Table by the Clerk of the House:


Copy of Rule under the Intermediate Education (Ireland) Act, 1921, determining the maximum number of Superintendents to be appointed in 1921.

Ordered, That the said Estimate be referred to the Committee of Supply; and be printed.

Mr. John William Wilson reported from Standing Committee A, to whom the Licensing (No. 2) Bill was referred; That they had gone through the Bill and made Amendments thereto.

Ordered, That the Report do lie upon the Table; and be printed.

Ordered, That the Minutes of the Proceedings of the Standing Committee be printed.

Sir Park Goff reported from the Committee Private Bills on Group F of Private Bills; That Colonel Sir Arthur Holbrook, one of the Members of the said Committee, was not present during the sitting of the Committee this day.

Ordered, That the Report do lie upon the Table.
Mr. Speaker acquainted the House, that a Message had been brought from the Lords by one of their Clerks, as followeth:

The Lords have agreed to the Ministry of Health Provisional Order (Trauton Extension) Bill, without any Amendment.

The Lords have agreed to the Manchester Corporation Waterworks Bill, without any Amendment.

The Lords have agreed to the Amendment made by this House to one of their Amendments to the Police Pensions Bill, without any Amendment.

Adamson's Divorce Bill [Lords].

Adamson's Divorce Bill [Lords] was read the first time, and ordered to be read a second time.

The Chairman of Ways and Means reported from the Committee on the Ministry of Health Provisional Order (Newcastle-under-Lyme Extension) Bill [Lords]; 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 to-morrow.

De Trafford Estates Bill [Lords].

The Chairman of Ways and Means reported from the Committee on the De Trafford Estates Bill [Lords]; 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 thereto.

Ordered, That the Report do lie upon the Table; and be printed.

London and North Western Railway (Holyhead Harbour Leasing) Bill [Lords], with Amendments.

Ordered, That the Report do lie upon the Table; and be printed.

West Ham Corporation Bill [Lords].

The Chairman of Ways and Means reported the West Ham Corporation Bill [Lords], with Amendments.

Ordered, That the Report do lie upon the Table; and be printed.
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7. Overseas Trade (Credits and Insurance) Amendment Act, 1921.
10. Church of Scotland Act, 1921.
11. Coroners Act, 1921.
14. Glasgow Deaf and Dumb Institution Order Confirmation Act, 1921.
15. Paisley Gas Order Confirmation Act, 1921.
16. Pilotage Orders Confirmation (No. 3) Act, 1921.
17. Pilotage Orders Confirmation (No. 4) Act, 1921.
18. Ministry of Health Provisional Orders Confirmation (Dover Extension) Act, 1921.
19. Ministry of Health Provisional Orders Confirmation (Shaftesbury Extension) Act, 1921.
20. Ministry of Health Provisional Orders Confirmation (Taunton Extension) Act, 1921.
21. Ministry of Health Provisional Orders Confirmation (No. 4) Act, 1921.
22. Ministry of Health Provisional Orders Confirmation (No. 5) Act, 1921.
23. Ministry of Health Provisional Orders Confirmation (No. 6) Act, 1921.
24. Ministry of Health Provisional Orders Confirmation (No. 9) Act, 1921.
25. Ministry of Health Provisional Orders Confirmation (Water) Act, 1921.
26. Local Government Board (Ireland) Provisional Orders Confirmation Act, 1921.
27. Provisional Order (Marriages) Confirmation Act, 1921.
28. Pier and Harbour Orders Confirmation (No. 2) Act, 1921.
29. Wrexham and East Denbighshire Water Act, 1921.
31. Tendring Hundred Water and Gas Act, 1921.
32. Cattedown Wharves Act, 1921.
33. Mid-Glamorgan Water Act, 1921.
34. North Eastern Railway Act, 1921.
35. Earlby Urban District Council Act, 1921.
36. Radcliffe and Little Lever Joint Gas Board Act, 1921.
37. Cardiff Gas Act, 1921.
38. Croydon Corporation Water Act, 1921.
39. Middlesex County Council (General Powers) Act, 1921.
40. Waltham and Cheshunt Gas Act, 1921.
41. Wandsworth, Wimbledon, and Epsom District Gas Act, 1921.
42. East Surrey Water Act, 1921.
43. Lochaber Water Power Act, 1921.
44. Harrogate Gas Act, 1921.
45. Nelson Corporation Act, 1921.

46. Sunderland and South Shields Water Act, 1921.
47. Colne Corporation Act, 1921.
48. Swansea Gas Act, 1921.
49. London County Council (General Powers) Act, 1921.
50. Manchester Corporation Waterworks Act, 1921.
51. Preston's Divorce Act, 1921.
52. Conyngham's Divorce Act, 1921.

Ecclesiastical Commissioners Measure, 1921.

The House again resolved itself into the Supply Committee of Supply.

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The House divided.
The Yeas to the Right;
The Noes to the Left.

Yea, Mr. Dudley Ward : 127.
Yea, Mr. Townsley Thompson : 40.

So it was resolved in the Affirmative.

Another Amendment was proposed to be made to the Bill, in p. 4, l. 18, by leaving out the words “one year” and inserting the words “two years.”

—(Mr. Charles Edwards.)

And the Question being proposed, That those words “one year” stand part of the Bill:—The said proposed Amendment was, with leave of the House, withdrawn.

And the Question being proposed, 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 aggregate amount which may be issued out of the Consolidated Fund under the said section twenty-six for the purpose of advances to the Board of Agriculture for Scotland—(Colonel Leslie Wilson);

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time upon Monday next.


The Order of the day being read, for taking into consideration His Majesty’s Message of the 30th day of May last, relative to the Emergency Powers Act, 1920:

Ordered, That the said Message be taken into consideration upon Thursday next.

Summer Time Bill.

The Order of the day being read, for resuming the adjourned Debate on the Question proposed upon the 26th day of June last; That the Summer Time Bill be now read a second time.

Ordered, That the Debate be further adjourned till Thursday next.

Judges (Emergency Provisions) (Renewal) Bill [Lords].

The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Judges (Emergency Provisions) (Renewal) Bill [Lords].

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time this day.

The Order of the day being read, for the Trusts Second Reading of the Trusts (Scotland) Bill [Lords];

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time this day.

The Order of the day being read, for the Criminal Procedure (Scotland) Bill [Lords];

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time this day.

The Order of the day being read, for the Exchequer Second Reading of the Exchequer and Audit Departments Bill;

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time upon Monday next.

The Order of the day being read, for the Education Second Reading of the Education (Consolidation) Bill [Lords];

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time 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, this day, resolve itself into the said Committee.

The Order of the day being read, for the Telegraph Second Reading of the Telegraph (Money) Bill [Money Bill];

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time this day.

The Order of the day being read, for taking into consideration the Water Undertakings (Modification of Charges) Bill, as amended by the Standing Committee;

Ordered, That the Bill be taken into consideration upon Monday next.

A Motion being made, That this House will, this day, resolve itself into a Committee to consider or amending section fourteen of the Land Settlement (Facilities) Act, 1919, and sections twenty-six and twenty-nine of the Land Settlement (Scotland) Act, 1919, by extending the periods of time therein respectively mentioned, and of raising the limit on the aggregate amount which may be issued out of the Consolidated Fund under the said section twenty-six for the purpose of advances to the Board of Agriculture for Scotland—(Colonel Leslie Wilson);

Mr. Secretary Shortt, by His Majesty’s Command, acquainted the House that His Majesty, having been informed of the subject-matter of this Motion, recommends it to the consideration of the House.

Resolved, That this House will, this day, resolve itself into the said Committee.

Whereupon Mr. Speaker adjourned the Adjournment, without Question put, pursuant to the Order of the House of the 26th day of this instant July, it being then half an hour after Twelve of the clock on Friday morning, till this day.
STANDING COMMITTEES.

Distribution by Mr. Deputy Speaker, pursuant to Standing Order No. 47, of Bills committed to a Standing Committee.

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[No. 109.]

Friday, 29th July 1921.

The House met at Eleven of the clock.

PRAYERS.

The Order of the day being read, for taking into consideration the South Essex Waterworks Bill [Lords], as amended in the Committee;

Ordered, That the Bill be taken into consideration upon Monday next at a quarter of an hour after Eight of the clock.

The Ministry of Health Provisional Order (Newcastle-under-Lyme Extension) Bill [Lords], was, according to Order, read the third time and passed.

Ordered, That the Clerk do carry the Bill to the Lords; and acquaint them that this House hath agreed to the same, without Amendment.

The House, according to Order, proceeded to take into consideration the Ministry of Health Provisional Orders (Ossett and Wakefield Extension) Bill [Lords], as amended in the Committee.

Ordered, That the Bill be read the third time upon Monday next.

The House, according to Order, proceeded to take into consideration the Peterhead Harbours Order Confirmation Bill;

Ordered, That the Bill be read the third time upon Monday next.

The House, according to Order, proceeded to take into consideration the Ministry of Health Provisional Order (Cardiff Extension) Bill, as amended in the Committee.

Ordered, That the Bill be read the third time upon Monday next.

Sir Eric Geddes presented, by His Majesty's Command,—Copy of Returns of the Capital, Traffic, Receipts and Working Expenditure, &c., of the Railway Companies of the United Kingdom for 1920.

Ordered, That the said Paper do lie upon the Table.

The Lord Advocate presented, by His Majesty's Command,—Copy of Memorandum on the proposed Financial Resolution relative to the Land Settlement Amendment Bill. Vot. 176.

Copy of Report of the Committee appointed by the Secretary for Scotland to consider measures to prevent damage by game, and provisions to be made with regard to heather-burning.

Ordered, That the said Papers do lie upon the Table.

Sir Alfred Mond presented, pursuant to the National directions of an Act of Parliament,—Copy of Health Insurance Provisional Regulations, dated 29th July 1921, made by the Minister of Health entitled the National Health Insurance (Insurance Committee) Amendment Regulations (No. 3), 1921.

Copy of Regulations, dated 27th July 1921, National Health Insurance (Medical Benefit) Amendment Regulations (No. 4), 1921.

Ordered, That the said Papers do lie upon the Table.

Mr. Hilton Young presented, by His Majesty's National Debt Command,—Copy of Return showing (1) the aggregate Gross Liabilities of the State as represented by the Nominal Funded Debt, estimated Capital Liabilities, and the estimated Liabilities of Terminable Annuities, Unfunded Debt, and other Liabilities in respect of Debt, the estimated Assets, and the Exchequer Balances, at the close of each financial year from 1873-74 to 1920-21, both inclusive; and (2) the Gross and Net Expenditure charged annually during that period against the Public Revenue on account of the National Debt, and other payments connected with Capital Liabilities.

Annual Accounts of Receipts and Payments National in respect of the National School Teachers Pension Fund for the year 1920.

Mr. Hilton Young also presented, pursuant to the Resolution of the House of Commons of the 4th day of March 1879.

Copy of Treasury Minute, dated 29th July Public 1921, under Section 5 of the Appropriation Act, 1920, and Section 4 of the Appropriation (No. 2) Act, 1920, authorising the temporary application of surpluses on certain Air Votes for the year 1920-21, to meet the excess on other Votes for the same year.

Copy of Treasury Minute, dated 29th July Public 1921, under Section 5 of the Appropriation Act, 1920, and Section 4 of the Appropriation (No. 2) Act, 1920, authorising the temporary application of surpluses on certain Navy Votes for the year 1920-21 to meet excesses on other Navy Votes for the same year.

Ordered, That the said Papers do lie upon the Table, and that the Papers relative to Public Accounts (Air Votes, 1920-21) and Public Accounts (Navy Votes, 1920-21), be printed.

The following Paper, pursuant to the directions of an Act of Parliament, was laid upon the Table by the Clerk of the House:—Copy of Scheme under the Union of Benefices Acts, for effecting an union of the benefices of Saint Paul, Deptford, and Saint Mark, Deptford, in the County of London, and the Diocese of Southwark.

Sir William Howell Davies reported the County of London Electric Supply Company Bill [Lords], with Amendments.

Ordered, That the Report do lie upon the Table; and be printed.
The Order of the day being read, for the Third Reading of the Finance Bill:
And a Motion being made, and the Question being proposed, That the Bill be now read the third time:
An Amendment was proposed to be made to the Question, by leaving out from the word “That” to the end of the Question, and adding the words “in view of the serious decline in public revenue which has occurred during recent months, this House desires, before proceeding further with this measure, that a fresh statement of the financial position of the Country should be laid before it”—(Mr. Mosley)—instead thereof.

And the Question being proposed, That the words proposed to be left out stand part of the Question;—And a Debate arising thereupon;
Sir Donald Maclean moved, That the Debate be now adjourned; but Mr. Speaker being of opinion that the Motion was an abuse of the Rules of the House, declined to propose the Question thereupon to the House.
And the Question being put, That the words proposed to be left out stand part of the Question:
The House divided.
The Yeas to the Right;
The Nays to the Left.
Tellers for the Colonel Leslie Wilson, Yeas, {Mr. J. Curdy} 194.
Tellers for the Mr. Mosley, Nays, {Lord Henry Currie} 43.
So it was resolved in the Affirmative.
The Bill was read the third time and passed.
Ordered, That the Clerk do carry the Bill to the Lords, and desire their concurrence.

Adjourned.
Resolved, That this House do now adjourn.—(The Prime Minister.)

And accordingly the House, having continued to sit till Four of the clock, adjourned till Monday next.

[No. 110.]
Monday, 1st August 1921.
The House met at a quarter of an hour before Three of the clock.

PRAYERS.

The House proceeded to take into consideration the Amendments made by the Lords to the Saint Helens Corporation Bill; and the same were twice read, and agreed to.
Ordered, That the Clerk do carry the Bill to the Lords; and acquaint them that this House hath agreed to the Amendments made by their Lordships.

Ordered, That the Hastings Tramways (Extension) Bill [Lords] be read the third time to-morrow.

The Rhymney Valley Water Board Bill [Lords] was read the third time and passed, with Amendments.

Ordered, That the Clerk do carry the Bill to the Lords; and acquaint them that this House hath agreed to the same, with Amendments; to which the House doth desire the concurrence of their Lordships.

The House proceeded to take into consideration the London and North Western Railway (Holyhead Harbour Leasing) Bill [Lords], as amended in the Committee.
Ordered, That the Bill be read the third time.

Ordered, That the Taf Fechan Water Supply Bill [Lords] be read a second time to-morrow, at a quarter of an hour after Eight of the clock.

The Ministry of Health Provisional Orders (Ossett and Wakefield Extension) Bill [Lords], was, according to Order, read the third time and passed, with Amendments.
Ordered, That the Clerk do carry the Bill to the Lords; and acquaint them that this House hath agreed to the same, with Amendments; to which this House doth desire the concurrence of their Lordships.

The Order of the day being read, for the Third Reading of the Ministry of Health Provisional Order (Cardiff Extension) Bill;
Ordered, That the Bill be read the third time to-morrow.

The Peterhead Harbour 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.

Sir Arthur Griffith-Boscawen presented, by His Majesty’s Command,—Copy of Annual Report Agriculture and Fisheries, for the years 1918-20, Part I., Land Settlement—Small Holdings.
Ordered, That the said Paper do be upon the Table.

The Lord Advocate presented, by His Majesty’s Command,—Copy of Seventh Annual Report on the Mentally Deficient and Lunacy, for the years 1918-19, Part I., South and East Scotland.
Ordered, That the said Paper do lie upon the Table.

Mr. Secretary Churchill presented, by His Majesty’s Command,—Copy of Report on Territory, Tanganyika Territory, covering the period from the conclusion of the Armistice to the end of 1920.
Ordered, That the said Paper do lie upon the Table.

Mr. Baldwin presented, pursuant to the direction of an Act of Parliament,—Copies of Reports on applications by—
Flint Gas and Water Company, Limited; Titchfield District Gas Company; to the Board of Trade under the Public Utility Companies (Capital Issues) Act, 1920.
Ordered, That the said Paper 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
Railways Bill

Sir Park Geff reported from the Committee on the Ministry of Health Provisional Order (Stoke-on-Trent Extension) Bill: That they had considered the Order as amended, and directed him to report the Bill, with Amendments, to the House.

Ordered, That the Report do lie upon the Table.

Ordered, That the Bill, as amended in the Committee, be taken into consideration tomorrow.

Mr. Secretary Shortt, supported by Mr. Attorney General and Sir John Baird, presented a Bill to make further provision with respect to the appointment, conditions of service, and pensions of certain officers of the Supreme Court in England, and to authorise the abolition of certain offices therein, and for purposes connected therewith: And the same was ordered to be read a second time tomorrow: and to be printed.

The House, according to Order, proceeded to take into further consideration the Railway Bill, as amended in the Standing Committees.

Another Amendment was made to the Bill.

Another Amendment was proposed to be made to the Bill, in p. 5, 1, 10, by leaving out the word "Minister," and inserting the words "amalgamation tribunal,"—(Mr. Marrriott),—instead thereof.

And the Question being put, That the word "Minister" stand part of the Bill:

The House divided.

The Yeas were 169.

Mr. Secretary Shortt, Mr. Attorney General, Mr. John Baird, Mr. McKendrick, Mr. C. W. C. Marrott, Mr. Orymsby-Gore, Mr. Robert Douglas, Mr. Sir George Roberts, Mr. Shortt, Mr. Marriott, Mr. Orymsby-Gore.

The Noes were 131.

Mr. McKendrick, Mr. C. W. C. Marrott, Mr. Orymsby-Gore.

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. 7, 1, 5, by leaving out the words "and in particular," and inserting the word "including."—(Mr. Orymsby-Gore),—instead thereof.

And the Question being put, That the words proposed to be left out stand part of the Bill:

The House divided.

The Yeas were 169.

Mr. McKendrick, Mr. C. W. C. Marrott, Mr. Orymsby-Gore.

The Noes were 169.

Mr. McKendrick, Mr. C. W. C. Marrott, Mr. Orymsby-Gore.

So it was resolved in the Affirmative.

Another Amendment was proposed to be made to the Bill, in p. 7, 1, 8, by inserting after the word "value," the words "on a net revenue-earning basis."—(Major Hills).

And the Question being put, That those words be there inserted in the Bill:—It passed in the Negative.

Another Amendment was proposed to be made to the Bill, in p. 7, 1, 9, by inserting after the word "company," the words "so, however, that regard shall not be had to economies or economies or collections of traffic or other circumstances tending to enhance its value as such component part attributable solely to the provisions of this Act relating to amalgamation and absorption."—(Sir Eric Geddes).

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. 2, by leaving out the words "economies or,"—(Colonel Arthur Murray).

And the Question being put, That the words "economies or" stand part of the proposed Amendment:—It was resolved in the Affirmative.

And the Question being put, That the proposed words be there inserted in the Bill:—It was resolved in the Affirmative.

Another Amendment was proposed to be made to the Bill, in p. 7, l. 40, by inserting at the end thereof the words "and any debenture stockholders or proprietors who have dissented at such meeting shall, if the amalgamation tribunal think fit, be heard by themselves or by their representatives at any inquiry into such scheme."—(Mr. MacPhay).

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. 17, by leaving out the words "to which this section applies," and inserting the words "entitled under this Act to a share in the distribution of the said sum,"—(Major Barnes),—instead thereof.

And the Question being put, That the words proposed to be left out stand part of the Bill:—It was resolved in the Affirmative.

Then other Amendments were made to the Bill.

Another Amendment was proposed to be made to the Bill, in p. 16, l. 34, by leaving out the words "on mortgage of their undertaking."—(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 other Amendments were made to the Bill.

Another Amendment was proposed to be made to the Bill, in p. 18, l. 38, by inserting after the word "majority," the words "of the proprietors and."—(Major Hills).

And the Question being proposed, That those words be there inserted in the Bill;

The proposed words were amended, by inserting at the beginning thereof the words "in amount."—(Sir George Frosser).
And the Question being put, That the words "in amount of the proprietors and" be there inserted in the Bill:—It was resolved in the Affirmative.

Then other Amendments were made to the Bill.

And it being half an hour after Seven of the clock, Mr. Speaker proceeded, pursuant to the Order of the House of the 6th day of this instant July, successively to put forthwith the Questions on any Amendments moved by the Government of which notice had been given to that Part of the Bill to be concluded at half an hour after Seven of the clock at this day's sitting.

Then other Amendments were made to the Bill.

Another Amendment was proposed to be made to the Bill, in p. 17, l. 33, by leaving out Clause 14.—(Sir Frederick Banbury.)

And the Question being put, That the words proposed to be left out, to the word "the," in l. 33, stand part of the Bill;

The House divided.

The Yeas to the Right;

The Noes to the Left.

Tellers for the Yeas, Colonel Leslie Wilson,  
Mr. Dudley Ward:  
149.

Tellers for the Noes, Sir Frederick Banbury,  
Mr. Marriott:  
38.

So it was resolved in the Affirmative.

Another Amendment was proposed to be made to the Bill, in p. 17, l. 33, by leaving out from the word "locality" to the word "by," in l. 35, and inserting the words "the Minister may, on the application of any body of persons representing any such interests, by order require any railway company, or companies, or on appeal by such railway company, or companies, against such order of the Minister, the Railway and Canal Commission may,"—(Mr. Marshall Stevens)—instead thereof.

And the Question being put, That the words proposed to be left out stand part of the Bill:—It was resolved in the Affirmative.

Then another Amendment was made to the Bill.

Another Amendment was proposed to be made to the Bill, in p. 18, l. 4, by leaving out from the word "a" to the end of l. 9.—(Mr. Roger.)

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. 18, l. 23, by leaving out the words "workshops, manufactories, plant, and other facilities," and inserting the words "and plant,"—(Mr. Honnans)—instead thereof.

And the Question being put, That the words proposed to be left out stand part of the Bill:—It was resolved in the Affirmative.

Then other Amendments were made to the Bill.

A Motion was made, and the Question being proposed, That further consideration of the Bill, as amended, be now adjourned.—(Mr. James Henry Thomas):—The said Motion was, with leave of the House, withdrawn.

Another Amendment was proposed to be made to the Bill, in p. 21, l. 6, by leaving out the word "three," and inserting the word "five,"—(Mr. Stephen Walsh)—instead thereof.

And the Question being put, That the words proposed to be left out stand part of the Bill:—It was resolved in the Affirmative.

Then other Amendments were made to the Bill.

Another Amendment was proposed to be made to the Bill, in p. 25, l. 20, by inserting after the word "are," the words "and as from the date when they become."—(Colonel Gretton.)

And the Question being proposed, That those words be there inserted in the Bill:—The said proposed Amendment was, with leave of the House, withdrawn.

Another Amendment was proposed to be made to the Bill, in p. 25, l. 23, by inserting at the end thereof the words,—

"Provided that nothing in this Act shall affect the jurisdiction of the Railway and Canal Commission in regard to any application or complaint made to that Commission prior to the date when the particular functions of that Commission in relation to the application or complaint in question shall cease under the provisions of this Act."—(Colonel Gretton.)

And the Question being proposed, That those words be there inserted in the Bill:—The said proposed Amendment was, with leave of the House, withdrawn.

Another Amendment was proposed to be made to the Bill, in p. 25, l. 57, by inserting at the end thereof the words,—

"(a) The efficient and economical working and management of any railway undertaking and of any business carried on by the company ancillary or subsidiary thereto."—(Mr. Trencher Thomson.)

And the Question being proposed, That those words be there inserted in the Bill:—The said proposed Amendment was, with leave of the House, withdrawn.

Then another Amendment was made to the Bill.

Ordered, That further consideration of the Bill, as amended, be now adjourned.—(Sir Eric Geddes.)

Ordered, That the Bill, as amended in the Standing Committee, be taken into further consideration to-morrow.

The House, according to Order, proceeded to Metropolitan Water Board (Charges) 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. 6, l. 29, by leaving out sub-section (1), and inserting the words,—

"(1) Where under the provisions of the Act of 1907 as amended by this Act or of this Act the Board furnish a supply of water for domestic purposes to any house or building or part of a house or building which is occupied as a separate tenement and solely for the purposes of any trade or business or of any profession or calling by which the occupier seeks a livelihood or profit and is not charged with the payment of inhabited house duty the Board shall make or allow from the water rate payable in respect of such supply a rebate of fifty per centum,"—(Mr. Roger)—instead thereof.

And the Question being put, That the words proposed to be left out stand part of the Bill:—It was resolved in the Affirmative.
Then other Amendments were made to the Bill.

Another Amendment was proposed to be made to the Bill, in p. 11, l. 54, by inserting after the word "shall," the words "subject to any reduction which may be allowed by the Board."—(Mr. Raper.)

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. 12, l. 18, by leaving out paragraph (a), and inserting the words,—

"(a) Unless and until the Ministry of Health, on the application of the Board embody the rates per one thousand gallons for water supplied by measure under the provisions of this section in a Provisional Order the foregoing scale shall apply and have effect as if each of the sums therein mentioned were reduced by one penny,"—(Mr. Raper)—instead thereof.

And the Question being put, That the words proposed to be left out stand part of the Bill:—It was resolved in the Affirmative.

Another Amendment was proposed to be made to the Bill, in p. 13, l. 25, by inserting at the end thereof the words,—

"(7) Provided that the said rates shall not be charged by the Board after the thirty-first day of December, nineteen hundred and twenty-six, unless and until such rates or any modification thereof have been specified in a Provisional Order made by the Ministry of Health."—(Mr. Raper.)

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 Standing Orders 223 and 243 be suspended, and that the Bill be now read the third time.—(The Chairman of Ways and Means.)

And the Question being put, That the Clerk do carry the Bill to the Lords, and desire their concurrence.

The Bill was accordingly read the third time.—(The Chairman of Ways and Means.)

Ordered, That the Clerk do carry the Bill to the Lords; and the Question being put, That those words be there inserted in the Bill:—It passed in the Negative.

The House, according to Order, proceeded to take into consideration the South Essex Waterworks Bill [Lords], as amended in the Committee.

And an Amendment was made to the Bill.

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time.

The Bill was accordingly read the second time.

The Order of the day being read, for resuming the adjourned Debate on the amendment of the Water Undertakings (Modification of Charges) Bill, as amended in the Standing Committee.

Ordered, That the Bill be taken into consideration to-morrow.

The Order of the day being read, for taking into consideration the Water Undertakings (Modification of Charges) Bill, as amended in the Standing Committee.

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time upon Friday next.

The Order of the day being read, for resuming the adjourned Debate on the Amendment which, upon the 3rd day of May last, was proposed to be made to the Twelfth of the Resolutions which, upon the 2nd day of May last, were reported from the Committee of Supply of the 21st day of April last;

Ordered, That the Debate be further adjourned till Thursday next.

The Order of the day being read, for taking into consideration the Twelfth of the Resolutions which, upon the 2nd day of May last, were reported from the Committee of Supply of the 21st day of April last;

Ordered, That the said Resolution be taken into consideration upon Thursday next.

The Order of the day being read, for resuming the adjourned Debate on the Question proposed upon the 2nd day of May last, That this House doth agree with the Committee in the Third of the Resolutions which were then reported from
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the Committee of Supply of the 21st day of April last;
Ordered, That the Debate be further adjourned till Thursday next.


The Order of the day being read, for receiving the Report from the Committee of Supply of the 9th day of June last;
Ordered, That the Report be received upon Thursday next.


The Order of the day being read, for taking into further consideration the First of the Resolutions which, upon the 24th day of June last, were reported from the Committee of Supply of the 23rd day of June last;
Ordered, That the said Resolution be taken into further consideration upon Thursday next.


The Order of the day being read, for taking into consideration His Majesty Message of the 2nd day of May last, relative to the Emergency Powers Act, 1920;
Ordered, That the said Message be taken into consideration upon Monday next.

Reserve Forces (Motion for an Address.)

The Order of the day being read, for resuming the adjourned Debate on the Question proposed upon the 11th day of April last; That an humble Address be presented to His Majesty, thanking His Majesty for His Most Gracious Message communicating to this House His Majesty's intentions with respect to the Reserve Forces;
Ordered, That the Debate be further adjourned till Monday next.

Electricity (Supply) Bill.

The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Electricity (Supply) Bill;
Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time upon Monday next.


The Order of the day being read, for receiving the Report from the Committee of Supply of the 7th day of July last;
Ordered, That the Report be received upon Thursday next.

Law of Property Bill [Lords.]

The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Law of Property Bill [Lords.];
Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time upon Friday next.

Safeguarding of Industries Bill.

The Order of the day being read, for taking into consideration the Safeguarding of Industries Bill, as amended in the Committee;
Ordered, That the Bill be taken into consideration upon Monday next.

Clinical Thermometers Bill.

The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Clinical Thermometers Bill;
Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time upon Monday next.

Salmon and Freshwater Fisheries (No. 2) Bill.

The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Salmon and Freshwater Fisheries (No. 2) Bill;
Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time upon Monday next.

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The Order of the day being read, for taking Supply into consideration the Fifth and subsequent Report.
Resolutions which, upon the 25th day of May last, were reported from the Committee of Supply of the 24th day of May last;
Ordered, That the said Resolutions be taken into consideration upon Thursday next.

The House, according to Order, proceeded to Territorial take into consideration the Territorial Army Bill and Militia Bill, as amended in the Standing Committee.
Ordered, That the Bill be now read the third time:—The Bill was accordingly read the third time and passed.
Ordered, That the Clerk do carry the Bill to the Lords, and desire their concurrence.

The Order of the day being read, for receiving the Adjourned Debate on the Question proposed upon the 11th day of July last; That the Salmon and Freshwater Fisheries Bill be now read the third time;
Ordered, That the Debate be further adjourned till to-morrow.

The Order of the day being read, for receiving the Report from the Committee of Supply of [28th July] the 14th day of July last;
Ordered, That the Report be received upon Thursday next.

The Order of the day being read, for the Exchequer Second Reading of the Exchequer and Audit Departments Bill;
Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time to-morrow.

The Order of the day being read, for the Education Second Reading of the Education (Consolidation) Bill [Lords.];
Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time to-morrow.

The Order of the day being read, for the Telegraph Second Reading of the Telegraph (Money) (Scotland) Bill;
Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time to-morrow.

The Order of the day being read, for taking Licensing into consideration the Licensing (No. 2) Bill, as amended in the Standing Committee;
Ordered, That the Bill be taken into consideration to-morrow.

The Order of the day being read, for receiving Supply into consideration the Adjourned Debate on the Question proposed upon the 11th day of July last;
Ordered, That the Report be received upon Thursday next.

The Order of the day being read, for the Juries Second Reading of the Juries (Emergency Provisions) (Renewal) Bill [Lords.];
Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time to-morrow.

The Order of the day being read, for the Trusts Second Reading of the Trusts (Scotland) Bill [Lords.];
Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time to-morrow.
The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Criminal Procedure (Scotland) Bill [Lords] ;

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.

Whereupon Mr. Speaker adjourned the House without Question put, pursuant to the Order of the House of the 26th day of July last, it being then twenty-eight minutes before Twelve of the clock, till to-morrow.

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Tuesday, 2nd August 1921.

The House met at a quarter of an hour before Three of the clock.

PRAYERS.

Mr. Speaker laid upon the Table,—Report from one of the Examiners of Petitions for Private Bills, That in the case of the following Bill, originating in the Lords, and referred on the First Reading thereof, the Standing Orders not previously inquired into, which are applicable thereto, have been complied with, viz.:

- Ryburny and Aber Valley Gas and Water Bill [Lords].

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time.

The Wolverton Estate Bill [Lords] was read a second time and passed.

Ordered, That the Clerk do carry the Bill to the Lords; and acquaint them that this House hath agreed to the same, with Amendments; to which this House doth desire the concurrence of their Lordships.

Ordered, That in the case of the South Essex Waterworks 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, with Amendments.

Ordered, That the Clerk do carry the Bill to the Lords; and acquaint them that this House hath agreed to the same, with Amendments; to which this House doth desire the concurrence of their Lordships.

The House, according to Order, proceeded to take into consideration the Ministry of Health Provisional Order (Stoke-on-Trent Extension) Bill, as amended in the Committee.

Ordered, That Standing Order 223 be suspended, and that the Bill be now read the third time.—(The Chairman of Ways and Means.)

The Bill was accordingly read the third time and passed.

Ordered, That the Clerk do carry the Bill to the Lords, and desire their concurrence.

The Order of the day being read, for the Third Reading of the Ministry of Health Provisional Order (Cardiff Extension) Bill;

Ordered, That the Bill be read the third time upon Friday next.

A Public Petition was presented, and read; the said Petition and a Paper were presented, by His Majesty's Customs and Excise for the year ended 31st March 1921, in the presence of three Members for the year ended 31st March 1921,

Copy of Sixty-fourth Report of the Commissioners of His Majesty's Inland Revenue, for the year ended 31st March 1921.

Mr. Hilton Young also presented, pursuant to the directions of an Act of Parliament,—Copy of Order made under the Shops Act, 1912, by the Board of Trade in the year ended 31st March 1921, in respect of the time allowed, shall themselves prepare and publish provisional terms and conditions;—(Sir Eric Geddes.)

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. 36, l. 11, by inserting, after the word "shall," the words "or, if the companies fail to submit terms and conditions within the time allowed, shall themselves prepare and publish provisional terms and conditions;"—(Sir Eric Geddes.)

And the Question being proposed, That the words "shall" stand part of the proposed Amendment:—The Amendment to the said proposed Amendment was, with leave of the House, withdrawn.

The proposed words were amended, in l. 2, by inserting, after the word "time," the word "so."—(Sir Frederick Banbury.)

And the Question being put, That the words "or, if the companies fail to submit terms and conditions within the time so allowed, shall themselves prepare and publish provisional terms and conditions" 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. 40, l. 38, by leaving out from the word "charges," to the end of l. 40, and inserting the words "shall at any place where the company holds itself out to collect and deliver merchandise perform the services of collection and delivery in respect of such merchandise as is for the time being ordinarily collected and delivered by the company at that place,"—(Mr. Neal),—instead thereof.

And the Question being put, That the words proposed to be left out stand part of the Bill:—It passed the Negative.

And the Question being proposed, That those words be there inserted in the Bill:

An Amendment was proposed to be made to the proposed Amendment, in l. 2, by inserting, after the word "such," the words "class of."—(Mr. Marshall Steer.)
And the Question being put, That those words be there inserted in the proposed Amendment:—It passed in the Negative.

And the Question being put, That the proposed words be there inserted in the Bill:—It was resolved in the Affirmative.

Another Amendment was proposed to be made to the Bill, in p. 40, l. 41, by leaving out from the beginning thereof, to the end of subsection (2).—(Mr. Macquisten.)

And the Question being put, That the words proposed to be left out, to the word “agree,” in l. 42, 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. 41, l. 11, by inserting, after the word “reasonable,” the words “or in regard to any matter under this section.”—(Mr. Marshall Stevens.)

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. 42, l. 20, by leaving out from the word “the” to the end of Clause 61, and inserting the words “standard rate for the carriage of merchandise by one such route is less than the standard rate by another such route, the standard rate for the carriage of merchandise by the first mentioned route may, subject to the provisions of this section as to circuitous routes, be charged for the carriage of merchandise by such other route.”

(2) For the purposes of this section a circuitous route means a route which is longer by thirty per cent, or more than the shortest route between the two places.

(3) Within six months after the date of amalgamation or such longer time as the Minister may allow every amalgamated company and every company liable to have applied to it a schedule of standard charges shall submit to the Minister in such form as he may direct a schedule of the circuitous routes by which it is desired that this section shall be applied. The Minister shall refer to the rates tribunal the schedules so submitted to him, and the tribunal shall, after giving all parties whom they consider entitled to be heard before them an opportunity of being heard, consider whether the routes contained in the said schedules are, having regard to all the circumstances, including the public interest, desirable and adequate, and shall settle the schedules accordingly, and this section shall apply to the circuitous routes contained in the schedules as settled, but, save as hereinafter provided, to no other circuitous routes.

(4) After the settlement of such schedules any such company may apply this section to a new circuitous route not included in its schedule, but the company shall within fourteen days report the route to the Minister in such manner as he may direct, and if the Minister considers that the proposal involves unreasonable competition or is not in the public interest, he may refer the matter to the rates tribunal who may, after giving all parties whom they consider entitled to be heard before them an opportunity of being heard, cancel the route:

Provided that, if the proposed circuitous route exceeds by fifty per cent, or more than the shortest route between the two places, this section shall not be applied thereto without the consent of the rates tribunal.—(Sir Eric Geddes),—instead thereof.

And the Question being put, That the words proposed to be left out stand part of the Bill:—It passed in the Negative.

And the Question being proposed, That those words be there inserted in the Bill:

The proposed words were amended, in l. 4, by inserting, after the word “charged,” the words “as the standard rate.”—(Mr. MacVagh.)

And the Question being put, That the words “standard rate for the carriage of merchandise by one such route is less than the standard rate by another such route, the standard rate for the carriage of merchandise by the first mentioned route may, subject to the provisions of this section as to circuitous routes, be charged as the standard rate for the carriage of merchandise by such other route.

(2) For the purposes of this section a circuitous route means a route which is longer by thirty per cent, or more than the shortest route between the two places.

(3) Within six months after the date of amalgamation or such longer time as the Minister may allow every amalgamated company and every company liable to have applied to it a schedule of standard charges shall submit to the Minister in such form as he may direct a schedule of the circuitous routes to which it is desired that this section shall be applied. The Minister shall refer to the rates tribunal the schedules so submitted to him, and the tribunal shall, after giving all parties whom they consider entitled to be heard before them an opportunity of being heard, consider whether the routes contained in the said schedules are, having regard to all the circumstances, including the public interest, desirable and adequate, and shall settle the schedules accordingly, and this section shall apply to the circuitous routes contained in the schedules as settled, but, save as hereinafter provided, to no other circuitous routes.

(4) After the settlement of such schedules any such company may apply this section to a new circuitous route not included in its schedule, but the company shall within fourteen days report the route to the Minister in such manner as he may direct, and if the Minister considers that the proposal involves unreasonable competition or is not in the public interest, he may refer the matter to the rates tribunal who may, after giving all parties whom they consider entitled to be heard before them an opportunity of being heard, cancel the route:

Provided that, if the proposed circuitous route exceeds by fifty per cent, or more than the shortest route between the two places, this section shall not be applied thereto without the consent of the rates tribunal,”—(Sir Eric Geddes),—instead thereof.

And the Question being put, That the words proposed to be left out stand part of the Bill:—It passed in the Negative.

And the Question being proposed, That those words be there inserted in the Bill:

The proposed words were amended, in l. 4, by inserting, after the word “charged,” the words “as the standard rate.”—(Mr. MacVagh.)

And the Question being put, That the words “standard rate for the carriage of merchandise by one such route is less than the standard rate by another such route, the standard rate for the carriage of merchandise by the first mentioned route may, subject to the provisions of this section as to circuitous routes, be charged as the standard rate for the carriage of merchandise by such other route.

(2) For the purposes of this section a circuitous route means a route which is longer by thirty per cent, or more than the shortest route between the two places.

(3) Within six months after the date of amalgamation or such longer time as the Minister may allow every amalgamated company and every company liable to have applied to it a schedule of standard charges shall submit to the Minister in such form as he may direct a schedule of the circuitous routes to which it is desired that this section shall be applied. The Minister shall refer to the rates tribunal the schedules so submitted to him, and the tribunal shall, after giving all parties whom they consider entitled to be heard before them an opportunity of being heard, consider whether the routes contained in the said schedules are, having regard to all the circumstances, including the public interest, desirable and adequate, and shall settle the schedules accordingly, and this section shall apply to the circuitous routes contained in the schedules as settled, but, save as hereinafter provided, to no other circuitous routes.

(4) After the settlement of such schedules any such company may apply this section to a new circuitous route not included in its schedule, but the company shall within fourteen days report the route to the Minister in such manner as he may direct, and if the Minister considers that the proposal involves unreasonable competition or is not in the public interest, he may refer the matter to the rates tribunal who may, after giving all parties whom they consider entitled to be heard before them an opportunity of being heard, cancel the route:

Provided that, if the proposed circuitous route exceeds by fifty per cent, or more than the shortest route between the two places, this section shall not be applied thereto without the consent of the rates tribunal,”—(Sir Eric Geddes),—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.

Another Amendment was proposed to be made to the Bill, in p. 44, l. 14, by inserting, after the word “amalgamation” the words “and showing what amounts in such proportion is allocated to dock and port charges or dues.”—(Mr. Marshall Stevens.)

And the Question being put, That those words be there inserted in the Bill:—It passed in the Negative.

Then another Amendment was made to the Bill.

Another Amendment was proposed to be made to the Bill, in p. 45, l. 27, by leaving out from the word “management” to the end of l. 36, and
inserting the words, "a sum (hereinafter referred to as 'the standard revenue') equal to five per centum on the total capital value of the companies concerned as calculated from the Stock Exchange values on the thirteenth day of June, nineteen hundred and twenty-one,"—(Colonel Welwood)—instead thereof.

And the Question being put, That the words proposed to be left out stand part of the Bill:

The House divided.

The Yeas to the Right;

The Noes to the Left.

Tellers for the Yeas, { Colonel Leslie Wilson, } Mr. Dudley Ward : 244.

Tellers for the Noes, { Mr. Spooner, Lieutenant-Commander Kenworthy ; } 42.

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. 46, l. 43, by inserting, at the end thereof, the words, "in arriving at the standard net revenue of an amalgamated company for the purpose of adjusting charges under this Act the rates tribunal shall have regard, among other considerations, to the corporation profits tax, if any, paid by that company in the period under review."—(Major Hillaire.)

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. 47, l. 9, by leaving out from the second word "year" to the end of Clause 58, and inserting the words,—

"(2) Thereafter the rates tribunal shall review the standard charges and exceptional rates on the application of any amalgamated company or of any representative body of traders, provided that effect shall not be given to any such review until the expiration of twelve months after the last preceding review.

(3) When making any such review the rates tribunal, after hearing all parties interested and taking into account any considerations which appear to them to be relevant, shall recommend such general modification of the standard charges and exceptional rates as they may think fit, and such recommendation shall be laid upon the Table of the House of Commons and not be brought into operation otherwise than by resolution of that House.

(4) Such general modification shall apply to the then existing exceptional rates in the same proportion as the increase or decrease in the corresponding standard charges,"—(Mr. Trevelyan Thomson),—instead thereof.

And the Question being put, That the words proposed to be left out, to the word "and," in l. 15, 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. 47, l. 30, by leaving out the word "could," and inserting the word "would,"—(Sir Frederick Banbury),—instead thereof.

And the Question being put, That the word "could" 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. 48, l. 2, by leaving out the words "eighty per cent, of such excess," and inserting the words "one hundred per cent, of any part of such excess which the tribunal considers to have been due to a decrease in rates of wages or in prices of commodities, or other items of working cost beyond the control of the company, and sixty-six and two-thirds per cent. of any part of such excess which the tribunal considers to have been due to other causes,"—(Mr. Home),—instead thereof.

And the Question being put, That those words be there inserted in the Bill:—It was resolved in the Affirmative.

Then other Amendments were made to the Bill.

Another Amendment was proposed to be made to the Bill, in p. 49, l. 11, by inserting, at the end thereof, the words,
The Taf Fechan Water Supply Bill [Lords] was, according to Order, read a second time.

Ordered, That the Standing Orders relative to the Committal stage of Private Bills be suspended.

The House, according to Order, proceeded to take into consideration the Licensing (No. 2) Bill, as amended in the Standing Committee.

A Clause (Certain liquor not to be treated as an intoxicating liquor if excise licence not required for its sale.)—(Sir George Younger.) was twice read; and made part of the Bill.

An Amendment was proposed to be made to the Bill, in p. 1, l. 1, by leaving out the words “a maximum of.”—(Mr. Ernest Wild.)

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. 4, l. 17, by inserting, after the word “despatch,” the words “as prescribed by section seven of this Act.”—(Mr. George Younger.)

Another Amendment was proposed to be made to the Bill, in p. 4, l. 23, by inserting, at the end thereof, the words,—

“(d) The sale or supply for consumption of intoxicating liquor to bona fide travellers.”—(Mr. Kemner.)

Another Amendment was proposed to be made to the Bill, in p. 4, l. 40, by inserting, at the end thereof, the words,—

“(g) the sale or supply to, or consumption by, bona fide travellers on Sunday, except where the licence is a six-day licence and the sale is on a Sunday.”—(Mr. William Thorne.)

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. 4, l. 1, by inserting, at the end thereof, the words,—

“(4) Upon giving not less than seven days notice to the local police authority a club shall be entitled on special occasions, not exceeding six in any one year, to continue the sale or supply of intoxicating liquor until half-an-hour after midnight where the club is situated in the Metropolis and until midnight where it is situated elsewhere.”—(Mr. Robert Richardson.)

And the Question being proposed, That those words be there inserted in the Bill:—The said proposed Amendment was, with leave of the House, withdrawn.

Another Amendment was proposed to be made to the Bill, in p. 5, l. 36, by inserting, after the word “on,” the words “or off.”—(Captain Boaster.)

And the Question being proposed, That those words be there inserted in the Bill:—The said proposed Amendment was, with leave of the House, withdrawn.

Another Amendment was proposed to be made to the Bill, in p. 4, l. 2, by inserting, at the end thereof, the words,—
Another Amendment was proposed to be made to the Bill, in p. 7, l. 17, by leaving out the word "If."—(Major Christopher Lounther.)

And the Question being put, That the word "If," stand part of the Bill:—It was resolved in the Affirmative.

Another Amendment was proposed to be made to the Bill, in p. 7, l. 21, by leaving out the words "Until Parliament otherwise determines," and inserting the words "For a period not exceeding two years after the passing of this Act,"—(Sir Ernest Wild)—instead thereof.

And the Question being put, That the words proposed to be left out stand part of the Bill:

The House divided.
The Yeas to the Right;
The Noes to the Left.

Tellers for the
Yea, | Mr. McCurdy:  154.
Tellers for the
Noa, | Major Christopher Lounther:  65.

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. 9, l. 16, by leaving out Clause 18.—(Mr. Raffan.)

And the Question being put, That the words proposed to be left out, to the word "the," in l. 18, stand part of the Bill:—It was resolved in the Affirmative.

Another Amendment was proposed to be made to the Bill, in p. 9, l. 28, by leaving out from the second word "the" to the end of l. 32, and inserting the words "Metropolitan and City of London police areas,"—(Mr. John Jones)—instead thereof.

And the Question being put, That the words proposed to be left out stand part of the Bill:

The House divided.
The Yeas to the Right;
The Noes to the Left.

Tellers for the
Tellers for the
Noe, | Mr. McCurdy:  58.

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. 10, l. 20, by inserting at the end thereof the words,—

"(b) Proviso (b) of sub-section (1) of section one of this Act shall not apply."—(Major Mackenzie Wood.)

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
Yea, | Major Mackenzie Wood:  58.
Tellers for the
Noe, | Mr. McCurdy:  122.

So it passed in the Negative.

Another Amendment was proposed to be made to the Bill, in p. 14, by leaving out ls. 33 to 41, inclusive.—(Major Mackenzie Wood.)

And the Question being put, That the words proposed to be left out stand part of the Bill:—It was resolved in the Affirmative.

Then another Amendment was made to the Bill:

Ordered, That the Bill be now read the third time.—The Bill was accordingly read the third time and passed.

Ordered, That the Clerk do carry the Bill to the Lords, and desire their concurrence.

The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Supreme Court Officers (Retirement, Pensions, &c.) Bill;

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time this day.

The Order of the day being read, for the Committee on Irish Railways [Settlement of Claims];

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 on Land Settlement Amendment [Money];

Ordered, That the Report be received this day.

The Order of the day being read, for taking into consideration the Water Undertakings (Modification of Charges) Bill, as amended in the Standing Committee;

Ordered, That the Bill be taken into consideration this day.

The Order of the day being read, for the 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 resuming the adjourned Debate on the Question proposed upon the 11th day of July last, That the Salmon and Freshwater Fisheries Bill be now read the third time:

Ordered, That the Debate be further adjourned till this day.

The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Exchequer and Audit Departments 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 Education (Consolidation) Bill [Lords];

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time upon Friday next.

The Order of the day being read, for the Telegraph Second Reading of the Telegraph (Money) Bill;

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time this day.

The Order of the day being read, for the Supreme Court Officers (Retirement, Pensions, &c.) Bill;

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time this day.

The Order of the day being read, for the Juries Second Reading of the Juries (Emergency Provisions) (Renewal) 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 Trusts (Scotland) Bill [Lords];

Order, That the Bill be read a second time upon Friday next.

The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Criminal Procedure (Scotland) Bill [Lords];

Order, That the Bill be read a second time upon Friday next.

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 taking into consideration the Amendments made by the Lords to the Corn Sales Bill;

Resolved, That this House will, this day, resolve itself into a Committee to consider the surpluses and deficits upon Navy and Air Grants for 1919-20, and the application of surpluses to meet Expenditure not provided for in the Grants for that year.—(Colonel Leslie Wilson.)

Order, That the Appropriation Accounts for the Navy and Air Departments, which were presented upon the 17th day of March last and for the Navy and Air Departments, which were presented, by His Majesty's Command,—Copy of Order under the Light Railways Acts, 1896 and 1912, entitled the Dearne District Light Railways (Amendment) Order, 1921. Sir Eric Geddes also presented, pursuant to the directions of an Act of Parliament,—Copy of Report and Abstract of Accounts of Receipts and Expenditure of the Harwich Harbour Conservancy Board from the time of their incorporation down to and inclusive of the 31st March 1921.

Ordered, That the said Papers do lie upon the Table.

Ordered, That there be laid before this House National Debt, a Return showing, for each financial year commencing the 1st day of April, from 1875 to 1921, 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 1920-21, 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. Hilton Young.)

Ordered, That there be laid before this House a Return relating to Imperial Revenue (Collection and Expenditure) (Great Britain and Ireland) for the year ending the 31st day of March 1921 (in continuation of Parliamentary Paper, No. 239, of Session 1920).—(Mr. Hilton Young.)

Ordered, That there be laid before this House a Return showing, for the year ending the 31st day of March 1921, (1) the amount contributed by England, Scotland, and Ireland, respectively, to the Revenue collected by the Imperial officers; (2) the Expenditure on English, Scottish, and Irish Services met out of such Revenue; and (3) the balances of Revenue contributed by England, Scotland, and Ireland, respectively, which are available for Imperial Expenditure (in continuation of Parliamentary Paper, No. 245, of Session 1920).—(Mr. Hilton Young.)

Ordered, That there be laid before this House a Copy of Treasury List of Colonial Stocks in Act, 1906, under the Public Utility Companies (Capital Issues) Act, 1920.

Ordered, That the said Papers do lie upon the Table.

Mr. Secretary Guest presented, pursuant to Air Force the directions of an Act of Parliament,—Copy of Order under the Air Force (Constitution) Act, 1917, making provision for the pay, allowances, and bounty of Officers of the Royal Air Force, temporarily re-employed during the State of Emergency declared under the powers conferred by the Emergency Powers Act, 1920.

Ordered, That the said Papers do lie upon the Table.

Sir Eric Geddes presented, by His Majesty's Light Command,—Copy of Order under the Light Railways Acts, 1896 and 1912, entitled the Dearne District Light Railways (Amendment) Order, 1921.
Ordered, That there be laid before this House a Copy of Statement of the number of Persons in receipt of Poor Law Relief in England and Wales on the night of the 1st day of January 1921 (in continuation of Parliamentary Paper, No. 191, of Session 1920).—(Sir Alfred Mond.)

The Chairman of Ways and Means reported from the Committee on the Slough Trading Company Limited (Canal) Bill [Lords] ; That they had examined the allegations contained in the Preamble of the Bill, and verbally amended the same, and found the same, as amended, to be true; and had gone through the Bill and made Amendments thereunto.

Ordered, That the Report do lie upon the Table; and be printed.

Message from the Lords. Mr. Speaker acquainted the House, That a Message had been brought from the Lords by Mr. Speaker, That a Message had been brought from the Lords by Mr. Speaker, That a Message had been brought from the Lords by Mr. Speaker, That a Message had been brought from the Lords:

The Lords have agreed to the Representation of the People (No. 2) Bill, without any Amendment.

The Lords have agreed to the London County Council (Money) Bill, without any Amendment.

The Lords have agreed to the Amendments made by this House to the Liverpool Corporation Water 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 Southend Water Bill, with Amendments; to which the Lords desire the concurrence of this House.

Sir Frederick Banbury reported from the Select Committee on Estimates; That they had considered the matters to them referred, and directed him to make a Report thereof to the House, together with the Minutes of Evidence taken before them, and Appendices.

Ordered, That the Report do lie upon the Table; and be printed.

Public Works Loan Bill, 1921. Mr. Hilton Young, supported by Mr. Chancellor of the Exchequer, presented a Bill to grant money for the purpose of certain local loans out of the Local Loans Fund, and for other purposes relating to local loans: And the same was ordered to be read a second time to-morrow; and to be printed.

Ice Cream Bill, 1921. Mr. Clement Edwards, supported by Mr. Frederick Green, Mr. Jesson, and Mr. Walton, presented a Bill to declare Ice Cream a refreshment within the meaning of the Shops (Early Closing) Act; And the same was ordered to be read a second time upon Tuesday next; and to be printed.

A Motion was made, and the Question being put, That, this day, notwithstanding anything in Standing Order No. 15, Supplementary Estimates for Navy Services may be considered in Committee of Supply, and that Business other than Business of Supply may be taken before Eleven of the clock—(Mr. Austen Chamberlain); The House divided.

The Yeas to the Right; The Noes to the Left.

Tellers for the Noes, Mr. Thomas Shaw; Mr. McCurdy; 57.

Tellers for the Yeas, Mr. Hogge; 257.

So it was resolved in the Affirmative.

The House, according to Order, resolved itself into the Committee of Supply.

(Civil Services Estimates and Supplementary Estimates, 1921-22.)

Class VII.

1. £12,445,406, to complete the sum for the Salaries and Expenses of the Ministry of Labour and Subordinate Departments, including the Contribution to the Unemployment Insurance Fund, and to Special Schemes under the Unemployment Insurance Acts, 1920 and 1921, payments to Associations under Section 17 of the Unemployment Insurance Act, 1920, and Section 106 of the National Insurance Act, 1911; Out-of-Work Donation and Expenditure in connection with the Training of Demobilised Officers and of Non-commissioned Officers and Men, and the Training of Women; and Grants for Re-settlement in Civil Life, also the Expenses of the Industrial Court.

2. Motion made, and Question proposed, That a sum not exceeding £1,84,4,600 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, 1922:

Whereupon Motion made, and Question proposed, That a sum not exceeding £1,84,4,600 be granted for the said Service—(Sir Donald Maclean); And it being Ten of the clock, the Chairman put the Question forthwith (pursuant to Standing Order No. 15. Supplementary Estimates, 1921-22.)

Ordered, That the Report do lie upon the Table; and be printed.

The Chairman then proceeded, pursuant to Standing Order No. 15, to put severally the Questions.

Tellers for the Yes, Mr. Arthur Henderson; Mr. Hogge; 62.

Tellers for the Noes, Mr. McCurdy; Mr. Hilton Young; 311.

Original Question put, and agreed to.

And the total amounts of the Votes outstanding in the several Classes of the Civil Services Estimates, and of the other outstanding Votes, including Supplementary Estimates, and the total amounts of the Votes outstanding in the Estimates for the Navy, including a Supplementary Estimate, Amounts to be granted for the Services defined in those Classes and Estimates.

3rd August. 1921.
3rd August.

Civil Services and Revenue Departments
Estimates and Supplementary Estimates, 1921-22.

Class I.

3. That a sum not exceeding £5,125,747 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 1922 for expenditure in respect of the Services included in Class I of the Estimates for Civil Services, viz.:—

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<tr>
<th>Service</th>
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<tr>
<td>Royal Palaces (including a Supplementary sum of £230,000)</td>
<td>91,000</td>
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<tr>
<td>Osborne</td>
<td>11,160</td>
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<tr>
<td>Houses of Parliament Buildings</td>
<td>105,300</td>
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<tr>
<td>Miscellaneous Legal Buildings, Great Britain</td>
<td>22,360</td>
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<tr>
<td>Art and Science Buildings, Great Britain</td>
<td>206,000</td>
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<tr>
<td>Police, Buildings, Great Britain</td>
<td>2,297,100</td>
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<tr>
<td>House Building</td>
<td>100,000</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>War Memorials</td>
<td>29,000</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>Peterhead Harbour</td>
<td>22,000</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>Revenue on Government Property</td>
<td>1,125,000</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>Public Works and Buildings, Ireland</td>
<td>423,605</td>
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<tr>
<td>Railway, Ireland</td>
<td>38,742</td>
</tr>
</tbody>
</table>

Total £3,185,747

Question put.

The Committee divided.

Tellers for the [Colonel Leslie Wilson, Yeas, Mr. McCurdy:] 346

Tellers for the [Major Barnes, Noss, Mr. Hogge:] 34

Class II.

4. That a sum not exceeding £7,443,868 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 1922 for expenditure in respect of the Services included in Class II of the Estimates for Civil Services, viz.:—

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<tr>
<th>Service</th>
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<tr>
<td>House of Lords Office</td>
<td>62,946</td>
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<tr>
<td>House of Commons (including a Supplementary sum of £1,600)</td>
<td>245,290</td>
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<tr>
<td>Treasury and Subordinate Departments</td>
<td>255,388</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>Home Office</td>
<td>241,446</td>
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<tr>
<td>Foreign Office</td>
<td>112,590</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>India Office</td>
<td>106,500</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>Privy Council Office</td>
<td>11,770</td>
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<tr>
<td>Board of Trade (including a Supplementary sum of £288,715)</td>
<td>1,744,938</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>Department of Overseas Trade</td>
<td>338,366</td>
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<tr>
<td>Mercantile Marine Services</td>
<td>286,853</td>
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<tr>
<td>Bankruptcy Department of the Board of Trade</td>
<td>22,914</td>
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<tr>
<td>Forestry Commission</td>
<td>200,000</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>Ministry of Transport</td>
<td>225,592</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>Charity Commission</td>
<td>31,647</td>
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<tr>
<td>Government Chemist</td>
<td>35,104</td>
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<tr>
<td>Civil Service Commission</td>
<td>53,492</td>
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<tr>
<td>Civil Service Arbitration Board</td>
<td>1,824</td>
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<tr>
<td>Exchequer and Audit Department</td>
<td>110,220</td>
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<td>Friendly Societies Registry</td>
<td>33,075</td>
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<tr>
<td>Government Actuary</td>
<td>29,478</td>
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<tr>
<td>Board of Control, England</td>
<td>201,545</td>
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<td>The Mint</td>
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<td>National Debt Office</td>
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<td>Public Record Office</td>
<td>28,317</td>
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<tr>
<td>Public Works Loan Commission</td>
<td>6</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>Registrar General's Office, England</td>
<td>76,330</td>
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<tr>
<td>Stationery and Printing</td>
<td>2,137,444</td>
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Total £27,443,868

Question put.

The Committee divided.

Tellers for the [Colonel Leslie Wilson, Yeas, Mr. McCurdy:] 294

Tellers for the [Mr. Arthur Henderson, Noss, Mr. Hogge:] 74

Class III.

5. That a sum not exceeding £10,880,457 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 1922 for expenditure in respect of the Services included in Class III of the Estimates for Civil Services, viz.:—

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<tr>
<th>Service</th>
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<tr>
<td>Law Charges</td>
<td>158,800</td>
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<tr>
<td>Miscellaneous Legal Expenses</td>
<td>24,963</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>Supreme Court of Judicature, &amp;c.</td>
<td>254,658</td>
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<tr>
<td>Land Registry</td>
<td>82,894</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>Public Trustee</td>
<td></td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>County Courts</td>
<td>228,686</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>Police (England and Wales)</td>
<td>3,241,474</td>
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<tr>
<td>Prisons, England and Wales</td>
<td>677,354</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>Reformatory and Industrial Schools, England and Wales</td>
<td>872,586</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>Broadmoor Criminal Lunatic Asylum</td>
<td>45,760</td>
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<tr>
<td>Scottish Law Charges and Courts of Law</td>
<td>120,008</td>
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<td>Scottish Land Court</td>
<td>10,400</td>
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<td>Register House, Edinburgh</td>
<td>51,695</td>
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<td>Police</td>
<td>427,200</td>
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<tr>
<td>Prisons</td>
<td>140,527</td>
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<tr>
<td>Reformatory and Industrial Schools, Ireland</td>
<td>60,915</td>
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<tr>
<td>Law Charges and Criminal Prosecutions</td>
<td>49,116</td>
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<tr>
<td>Supreme Court of Judicature, &amp;c.</td>
<td>140,006</td>
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<tr>
<td>Irish Land Commission</td>
<td>736,096</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>County Court Officers, &amp;c.</td>
<td>130,650</td>
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<tr>
<td>Dublin Metropolitan Police</td>
<td>137,944</td>
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<tr>
<td>Royal Irish Constabulary</td>
<td>3,564,038</td>
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<tr>
<td>Prisons</td>
<td>140,284</td>
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<tr>
<td>Reformatory and Industrial Schools, Ireland</td>
<td>60,561</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>Dundrum Criminal Lunatic Asylum</td>
<td>12,185</td>
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</tbody>
</table>

Total £10,888,457

Question put.

The Committee divided.

Tellers for the [Colonel Leslie Wilson, Yeas, Mr. McCurdy:] 299

Tellers for the [Mr. Arthur Henderson, Noss, Mr. Hogge:] 69.
### Class IV.

6. That a sum not exceeding £3,997,526, 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 1922 for expenditure in respect of the Services included in Class IV. of the Estimates for Civil Services, viz.:—

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<th>Amount</th>
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<tbody>
<tr>
<td>1. Diplomatic and Consular Services</td>
<td>1,118,187</td>
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<tr>
<td>2. Colonial Services (including a Supplementary sum of £150,000)</td>
<td>1,392,927</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>3. Middle Eastern Services</td>
<td>14,000</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>4. Telegraph Subsidies</td>
<td>9,925</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>5. League of Nations</td>
<td>37,000</td>
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<tr>
<td></td>
<td><strong>£2,519,139</strong></td>
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</table>

**Question put, and agreed to.**

### Class V.

7. That a sum not exceeding £2,808,691 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 1922 for expenditure in respect of the Services included in Class V. of the Estimates for Civil Services, viz.:—

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<th>Service</th>
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<tbody>
<tr>
<td>1. National Health Insurance Joint Committee</td>
<td>300,000</td>
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<tr>
<td>2. Local Government Board (Ireland)</td>
<td>1,515,334</td>
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<tr>
<td>3. National Health Insurance Commission (Ireland)</td>
<td>356,785</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>4. National Insurance, Audit Depart-ment</td>
<td>132,270</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>5. Friendly Societies’ Deficiency</td>
<td>4,202</td>
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<tr>
<td>6. Grants to Voluntary Hospitals</td>
<td>500,000</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td></td>
<td><strong>£2,808,691</strong></td>
</tr>
</tbody>
</table>

**Question put.**

The Committee divided.

Tellers for the [Colonel Leslie Wilson, Yea, Mr. McCurdy: 290.]

Tellers for the [Mr. Arthur Henderson, Noes, Mr. Hogge: 80.]

**Class VI.**

8. That a sum not exceeding £93,557,671, 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 1922 for expenditure in respect of the Services included in Class VI. of the Estimates for Civil Services, viz.:—

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<tr>
<td>1. Superannuation and Retired Allow-ances</td>
<td>657,664</td>
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<tr>
<td>2. Old Age Pensions</td>
<td>15,180,000</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>3. Ministry of Pensions</td>
<td>67,556,666</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>4. Merchant Seamen’s War Pensions</td>
<td>343,485</td>
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<tr>
<td>5. Miscellaneous Expenses</td>
<td>17,404</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>6. Hospitals and Charities, Ireland</td>
<td>738</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>7. Temporary Commissions</td>
<td>30,000</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>8. National Savings Committee</td>
<td>61,600</td>
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<tr>
<td>9. Imperial War Graves Commission</td>
<td>555,400</td>
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<tr>
<td></td>
<td><strong>£93,557,671</strong></td>
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</table>

**Question put.**

The Committee divided.

Tellers for the [Colonel Leslie Wilson, Yea, Mr. McCurdy: 272.]

Tellers for the [Mr. Arthur Henderson, Noes, Mr. Hogge: 71.]

**Shipping Liquidation.**

11. That a sum not exceeding £4,445,600 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 1922 for the Salaries and Expenses of the Disposal and Liquidation Commission.

**Question put.**

The Committee divided.

Tellers for the [Colonel Leslie Wilson, Yea, Mr. Hogge: 73.]

Tellers for the [Mr. Arthur Henderson, Noes, Mr. Hogge: 289.]

**Question put.**

The Committee divided.

Tellers for the [Colonel Leslie Wilson, Yea, Mr. Hogge: 272.]

Tellers for the [Mr. Arthur Henderson, Noes, Mr. Hogge: 71.]

**Disposal and Liquidation Commission.**

10. That a sum not exceeding £3,600,000 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 1922 for the Salaries and Expenses of the Disposal and Liquidation Commission.

**Question put.**

The Committee divided.

Tellers for the [Colonel Leslie Wilson, Yea, Mr. Hogge: 272.]

Tellers for the [Mr. Arthur Henderson, Noes, Mr. Hogge: 71.]

**Disposal and Liquidation Commission.**

10. That a sum not exceeding £3,600,000 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 1922 for the Salaries and Expenses of the Disposal and Liquidation Commission.

**Question put.**

The Committee divided.

Tellers for the [Colonel Leslie Wilson, Yea, Mr. Hogge: 272.]

Tellers for the [Mr. Arthur Henderson, Noes, Mr. Hogge: 71.]

**Disposal and Liquidation Commission.**
Central Control Board (Liquor Traffic).
12. That a sum not exceeding £127,540 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 1922 for the Salaries and Expenses of the Central Control Board (Liquor Traffic), including the cost of acquisition and direct control of licensed premises and businesses and the provision of canteens.

Question put, and agreed to.

Loans to Allies, &c.
13. That a sum not exceeding £2,000,000 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 1922 for Loans to the Governments of Allied Countries, and for Loans and Grants for purposes of Reconstruction and Relief.

Question put, and agreed to.

Railway and Canal (War) Agreements Liquidation.
14. That a Supplementary sum not exceeding £36,000,000 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 1922 to meet Expenditure arising from the Government Control of Railways and Canals in Great Britain and Ireland under the Regulation of the Forces Act, 1871, Section 16, and Defence of the Realm (Consolidation) Regulations, 9 H.

Question put, and agreed to.

Treasury Securities Deposit Scheme.
15. That a sum not exceeding £489,137 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 1922 for the Expenses connected with the Treasury Securities Deposit Scheme.

Question put, and agreed to.

Property Losses (Ireland) Compensation.
16. That a sum not exceeding £61,000 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 1922 for Ex gratia Grants in respect of Losses and Injuries sustained in the Rebellion in Ireland in 1916.

Question put, and agreed to.

Miscellaneous War Services (Foreign Office).
17. That a sum not exceeding £1,048,898 (including a Supplementary sum of £1,148,899) be granted to His Majesty, to complete the sum necessary to defray the charge which will come in course of payment during the year ending on the 31st day of March 1922 for the cost of certain Miscellaneous War Services.

Question put.

The Committee divided.

Tellers for the  
Colonel Sir John Gilmour, 
Yea,  
Mr. Dudley Ward: 260.
Tellers for the  Mr. Arthur Henderson,  
Noes,  
Mr. Hopge: 68.

Coal Mines Deficiency.
18. That a sum not exceeding £1,500,000 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 1922 to provide for the Deficiency arising under the

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Navy Estimates and Supplementary Estimate, 1921-22.

26. That a sum not exceeding £26,418,500 be granted to His Majesty, to defray the charge which will come in course of payment during the year ending on the 31st day of March 1922 for Expenditure in respect of the Navy Services, viz.:

- £
  3. Sec. 2. Shipbuilding, Repairs, Maintenance, &c. Matriel - 12,083,500
  8. Sec. 3. Shipbuilding, Repairs, Maintenance, &c. Contract Work - 5,664,300
  9. Naval Armaments - 6,926,000
  10. Works, Buildings, and Repairs at Home and Abroad (Supplementary sum) - 10,000
  12. Admiralty Office - 1,735,800
  236,418,500

Question put, and agreed to.

Army Estimates, 1921-22.

27. That a sum not exceeding £37,444,000 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 1922 in respect of an estimated net total cost of £34,195,459) and of liabilities outstanding on the first day of the year.

Question put, and agreed to.

Revenue Department Estimates, 1921-22.

28. That a sum not exceeding £8,450,650 be granted to His Majesty, to complete the sum necessary to defray the charge for Army Services, including Army (Ordnance Factories), which will come in course of payment during the year ending on the 31st day of March 1922 in respect of an estimated net total cost of £8,445,459, and of liabilities outstanding on the 31st day of March 1922, the sum of £493,823,809 be granted to His Majesty, to complete the sum necessary to defray the charges for Army Services, including Army (Ordnance Factories), which came to a Resolution.

The House, according to Order, resolved itself into the Committee of Ways and Means.

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.

Ways and Means.

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 ended on the 31st day of March 1921, the sum of £9,200,000 be granted out of the Consolidated Fund of the United Kingdom.—(Mr. Hilton Young.)

Resolution to be reported.

Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair; and the Deputy Chairman reported, That the Committee had come to a Resolution.

Ordered, That the Report be received to-morrow.

The House, according to Order, resolved itself into a Committee on Navy and Air Expenditure, 1919-20.

(In the Committee.)

1. Whereas it appears by the Navy Appropriation Account for the year ended the 31st day of March 1920, and the Statement appended thereto, as follows, viz.:

(a) That the aggregate expenditure on Navy Services exceeded the aggregate sums appropriated for those Services by a sum of £7,054,288 8s. 3d.;

(b) That the aggregate receipts in aid of Navy Services exceeded the aggregate sums appropriated in aid of those Services by a sum of £10,499,054 2s. 4d.;

(c) That as shown in the Schedule hereto appended, the total difference between the Exchequer Grants for Navy Services and the net expenditure are as follows, viz.:

| Net Surplus | £ 3,444,785 14 1 |

And whereas, by a Vote of Parliament during the present Session (Parliamentary Paper, No. 51, of Session 1921), a further sum of £100 has been granted for the expenditure of the year 1919-20, and the appropriation of additional receipts in aid of such expenditure has been sanctioned to the amount of £7,054,288 8s. 3d.

And whereas the said total surpluses on certain grants for Navy Services have been temporarily applied, so far as necessary, in making good the said total deficits on other grants for Navy Services.

1. Resolved, That the application of such sums be sanctioned.—(Mr. Hilton Young.)

Schedule.

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<tr>
<th>Number of Votes</th>
<th>Navy Services, 1919-20.</th>
<th>Differences between Exchequer Grants and Net Expenditure.</th>
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<td>£ s. d.</td>
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<td>1</td>
<td>Wages, &amp;c. of Officers,\nel.</td>
<td>696,189 19 10</td>
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<td>2</td>
<td>Inland Revenue</td>
<td>723,853 13 0</td>
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<td>3</td>
<td>Total</td>
<td>1,419,942 19 10</td>
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<td>4</td>
<td>Civil Superannuation,\nl.</td>
<td>60,874 7 9</td>
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<td>5</td>
<td>Gratuities, and Compassion\nl.</td>
<td>5,831 19 2</td>
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<td>6</td>
<td>Civil Service</td>
<td>722,893 13 0</td>
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<td>7</td>
<td>Total</td>
<td>1,697,650 19 10</td>
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<td>8</td>
<td>Grant for Army Services\nl.</td>
<td>31,431 18 2</td>
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<td>3,444,785 14 1</td>
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<td>Wages, &amp;c. of Officers,\nel.</td>
<td>60,777 18 1</td>
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<td>Total</td>
<td>3,444,785 14 1</td>
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<td>Supplies, &amp;c.</td>
<td>696,493 19 10</td>
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<td>13</td>
<td>Work for Home and  Abroad\nl.</td>
<td>37,266 4 8</td>
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<td>7,553,529 13 11</td>
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<td>Grants for Army Services\nl.</td>
<td>4,108,763 19 10</td>
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<td>7,553,529 13 11</td>
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Net Surplus - £3,444,785 14 1
The Order of the day being read, for the Irish Railways Committee on Irish Railways [Settlement of Claims];

Resolved, That this House will, to-morrow, resolve itself into the said Committee.

Mr. Macpherson reported from the Committee on Land Settlement Amendment [Money] Resolution; which was read, as followeth:

That it is expedient—
(i) that the periods within which sums may be issued out of the Consolidated Fund under section fourteen of the Land Settlement (Facilities) Act, 1919, and section twenty-six of the Land Settlement (Scotland) Act, 1919, for the purpose of certain loans to be made by the Public Works Loan Commissioners, and within which advances may be made by the Board of Agriculture for Scotland to tenants of small holdings under section twenty-nine of the Land Settlement (Scotland) Act, 1919, should be extended so as to be periods ending on the expiration of four years after the passing of those Acts respectively, or on such later date as the Treasury, after consultation with the Minister of Agriculture and Fisheries or with the Secretary for Scotland, as the case may be, may fix, instead of periods ending on the expiration of two years after the passing of those Acts; and
(ii) that the maximum amount to be issued out of the Consolidated Fund to the said Commissioners under the said section twenty-six should be three million five hundred thousand pounds instead of two million seven hundred and fifty thousand pounds.

The said Resolution, being read a second time;

And a Motion being made, and the Question being put:—It was resolved in the Affirmative.

Ordered, That a Bill be brought in upon the said Resolution; and that Sir Arthur Griffiths, Boscawen and Mr. Munro do prepare and bring it in.

Mr. Munro accordingly presented a Bill to amend section fourteen of the Land Settlement (Facilities) Act, 1919, and sections twenty-six and twenty-nine of the Land Settlement (Scotland) Act, 1919, by extending the periods of time therein respectively mentioned, and to raise the limits on the aggregate amount which may be issued out of the Consolidated Fund under the said section twenty-six for the purpose of advances to the Board of Agriculture for Scotland; and the same was read the first time, and ordered to be read a second time this day; and to be printed.

The Order of the day being read, for taking into consideration the Water Undertakings (Modification of Charges) Bill, as amended in the Standing Committee;

Ordered, That the Bill be taken into consideration this day.

3rd—4th August.

II. Whereas it appears by the Air Appropriation Account for the year ended the 31st day of March 1920, and the Statement appended thereto, as follows, viz.:

(a) That the aggregate expenditure on Air Services exceeded the aggregate sums appropriated for those Services by a sum of £257,451 9s. 6d.;
(b) That the aggregate receipts in aid of Air Services exceeded the aggregate sums appropriated in aid of those Services by a sum of £251,214 18s. 5d.;
(c) That, as shown in the Schedule hereto appended, the total differences between the Exchequer Grants for Air Services and the net expenditure are as follows, viz.:

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<th>Schedule</th>
<th>Surpluses</th>
<th>Deficits</th>
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<tr>
<td>Total</td>
<td>£1,209,593</td>
<td>1,190,743</td>
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And whereas by a Vote of Parliament during the present Session (Parliamentary Paper, No. 47, of Session 1921) sanction has been given for the appropriation of the said excess aggregate receipts, amounting to the sum of £257,451 9s. 6d., and a further sum of £251,214 18s. 5d., has been granted to meet the balance of the said excess aggregate expenditure.

And whereas the said total surpluses on certain Grants for Air Services have been temporarily applied towards making good part of the said total deficits on other grants for Air Services.

2. Resolved, That the application of such sums be sanctioned.—(Mr. Hilton Young.)

The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Supreme Court Officers Bill.

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time upon Friday next.

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The Order of the day being read, for resuming the adjourned Debate on the Question proposed upon the 11th day of July last, That the Salmon and Freshwater Fisheries Bill be now read the third time.

And the Question being again proposed:—The House resumed the said adjourned Debate.

And the Question being put:

Ordered, That the Bill be now read the third time:—The Bill was accordingly read the third time and passed.

Ordered, That the Clerk do carry the Bill to the Lords, and desire their concurrence.

The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Exchequer and Audit Departments Bill;

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time upon Friday next.

The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Telegraph (Money) Bill;

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time upon Friday next.

The House, according to Order, proceeded to take into consideration the Amendments made by the Lords to the Corn Sales Bill; and the same were twice read, and agreed to.

Ordered, That the Clerk do carry the Bill to the Lords; and acquaint them that this House hath agreed to the same, with Amendments; and which this House doth desire the concurrence of their Lordships.

The Order of the day being read, for taking into consideration the Amendments made by the Lords to the Criminal Law Amendment Bill [Lords], as amended in the Standing Committee;

Ordered, That the Bill be taken into consideration this day.

Ordered, That Sir Charles Hanson be discharged from the Select Committee on House of Commons (Kitchen and Refreshment Rooms).

Ordered, That Major Hamilton be added to the Committee.—(Colonel Gibbs.)

Whereupon Mr. Speaker adjourned the House without Question put, pursuant to the Order of the House of the 20th day of July last, it being then twenty-eight minutes after Twelve of the clock on Thursday morning, till this day.

Salmon and Freshwater Fisheries Bill.

Exchequer and Audit Departments Bill.

Telegraph (Money) Bill.

Juries (Emergency Provisions) (Renewal) Bill [Lords].

Corn Sales Bill.

Criminal Law Amendment Bill [Lords].

House of Commons (Kitchen and Refreshment Rooms).

Adjournment.

The House met at a quarter of an hour before Three of the clock.

The House proceeded to take into consideration the Stock Conversion and Investment Trust Bill [Lords], as amended in the Committee.

Ordered, That the Bill be read the third time.

Standing Order 99 was read, and repealed.

Standing Order 100 was read, and repealed.

Standing Order 101 was read, and repealed.

Standing Order 102 was read, and amended, in l. 1, by leaving out the words "not being Railway or Canal Bills"; in l. 3, by leaving out from the word "Selection" to the end of l. 5; and in l. 7, by leaving out the words "said Committees respectively," and inserting the word "Committees," instead thereof.

Standing Order 103 was read, and amended, in l. 3, by leaving out from the first word "Bills" to the word "which," in l. 6.

Standing Order 104 was read, and repealed.

Standing Order 105 was read, and amended, in l. 2, by leaving out from the word "Bills" to the word "shall," in l. 5.

Standing Order 106 was read, and amended, in l. 4, by leaving out from the word "Bills" to the end of the Standing Order.

Standing Order 108 was read, and amended, in l. 4, by leaving out from the word "to" to "the word "shall," in l. 5.

Standing Order 115 was read, and repealed.

Standing Order 116 was read, and amended, in l. 2, by leaving out the words "Railway, Canal, or;" and, in l. 6, by leaving out from the word "Members" to the end of l. 7.

Standing Order 120 was read, and amended, in l. 4, by leaving out from the word "Chairman" to the end of the Standing Order.

Standing Order 125 was read, and amended, in l. 4, by leaving out from the word "Selection" to the word "and," in l. 5.

Standing Order 208 was read, and amended, in l. 1, by leaving out the words "Railway, Canal, or;" and, in l. 4, by leaving out from the word "and" to the word "if," in l. 6.

Standing Order 208a was read, and amended, in l. 4, by leaving out from the word "Selection" to the word "and," in l. 6.

Standing Order 209 was read, and amended, in l. 6, by leaving out from the word "Selection" to the end of the Standing Order.

Standing Order 216 was read, and amended, in l. 6, by leaving out the words "or by the

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Clerk to the General Committee on Railway and Canal Bills;" in l. 8, by leaving out the words "either of"; and by leaving out the words "com- mittee," instead thereof; in l. 9, by leaving out the words "either of"; and, in l. 10, by leaving out the word "Committee," and inserting the word "Committee," instead thereof. (The Chairman of Ways and Means.)

The Bridge of Allan Water, &c. Order Confirmation Bill was, according to Order, read a second time, and ordered to be taken into consideration to-morrow.

Mr. Munro presented a Bill to confirm a Provisional Order under the Private Legislation Procedure (Scotland) Act, 1898, relating to Aberdeen Corporation (Electricity Works Railway): And the same was ordered (under Section 7 of the Act) to be taken into consideration to-morrow.

Mr. Secretary Shortt presented, by His Majesty's Command,—Copy of Thirty-second Annual Report of the Railway and Canal Commission, with Appendix.

Copy of Seventeenth Report of the Royal Patriotic Fund Corporation for the year 1920.

Ordered, That the said Paper do lie upon the Table.

Mr. Baldwin presented, by His Majesty's Command,—Copy of Annual Statement of the Navigation and Shipping of the United Kingdom for the year 1920, with comparative Tables for the years 1916 to 1920.

Ordered, That the said Paper do lie upon the Table.

SIR ARTHUR GRIFFITH-BOSCAWEN presented, pursuant to the directions of an Act of Parliament,—Copy of Seventeenth Report of the Royal Patriotic Fund Corporation for the year 1920.

Ordered, That the said Paper do lie upon the Table.

Mr. Hilton Young presented, by His Majesty's Command,—Copy of Statement showing the Staffs of Government Departments on 1st June 1921, compiled from Returns furnished to the Treasury.

Copy of Statement relating to the employment of Ex-Service Men in Government Offices on 1st July 1919 and 1st June 1921.

Mr. Hilton Young also presented,—Return to an Order, dated the 3rd day of this instant August, for a Return relative to Colonial Stock Act, 1890.

Return to an Order, dated the 3rd day of this instant August, for a Return relative to Imperial Revenue (Collection and Expenditure) Great Britain and Ireland.

Return to an Order, dated the 3rd day of this instant August, for a Return relative to Imperial Revenue (Collection and Expenditure) Great Britain and Ireland.

Return to an Order, dated the 3rd day of this instant August, for a Return relative to Revenue and Expenditure (England, Scotland, and Ireland).

Ordered, That the said Papers do lie upon the Table; and that the said Returns be printed. VOL. 176.

Mr. Amery presented, pursuant to the directions of an Act of Parliament,—Copy of Statement of the estimated Income and Expenditure of Greenwich Hospital and of Travers' Foundation for the year 1921-22.

Ordered, That the said Paper do lie upon the Table; and be printed.

Mr. Turner reported from Standing Committee D, to whom the Admiralty Pensions Bill was referred; That they had gone through the said Bill, and had directed him to report the same, without Amendment, to the House.

Ordered, That the Report do lie upon the Table; and be printed.

Ordered, That the Minutes of the Proceedings of the Standing Committee be printed.

Ordered, That the Bill, not amended in the Standing Committee, be taken into consideration on 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 have agreed to the Finance Bill, without any Amendment.

The Lords have agreed to the Pilotage Provisional Orders (No. 6) Bill, without any Amendment.

The Lords have agreed to the Pilotage Provisional Orders (No. 7) Bill, without any Amendment.

The Lords have agreed to the Ministry of Health Provisional Order (Sheffield Extension) Bill, without any Amendment.

The Lords have agreed to the Rotherham Corporation Bill, with Amendments; to which the Lords desire the concurrence of this House.

The Lords have agreed to the Thames Conservancy Bill, with Amendments; to which the Lords desire the concurrence of this House.

The Lords communicate the Minutes of Evidence and Proceedings taken upon the Second Reading of Adamson's Divorce Bill [Lords] and Hamilton's Divorce Bill [Lords], as desired by the Commons, with a request that the same may be returned.

Colonel Sir Robert Sanders reported from the Committee of Supply of the 3rd day of this instant August, several Resolutions; which were read, as follow:

Civil Services and Supplementary Estimates, 1921-22.

Class VII.

1. That a sum not exceeding £12,445,405 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 1922 for the Salaries and Expenses of the Ministry of Labour and Subordinate Departments, including the Contributions to the Unemployment Insurance Fund, and to Special Schemes under the Unemployment Insurance Acts, 1920 and 1921, payments to Associations under Section 17 of the Unemployment Insurance Act, 1920, and Section 106 of the National Insurance Act, 1911; Out of Work and Unemployment in connection with the Training of Demobilised Officers and of Non-Commissioned Officers and Men, and
the Training of Women; and Grants for Resettlement in Civil Life, also the Expenses of the Industrial Court.

Navy Estimates and Supplementary Estimate, 1921-22.

2. That a sum not exceeding £11,845,600 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 1922.

Civil Services and Revenue Departments Estimates and Supplementary Estimates, 1921-22.

Class I.

3. That a sum not exceeding £4,135,747 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 1922 for expenditure in respect of the Services included in Class I. of the Estimates for Civil Services, viz.:

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<td>Royal Palaces (including a Supplementary sum of £25,000)</td>
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<td>Osborne</td>
<td>£11,150</td>
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<td>Houses of Parliament Buildings</td>
<td>£105,500</td>
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<td>Miscellaneous Legal Buildings, Great Britain</td>
<td>£62,350</td>
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<td>Art and Science Buildings, Great Britain</td>
<td>£200,000</td>
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<td>Public Buildings, Great Britain</td>
<td>£2,397,100</td>
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<td>House Building</td>
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<td>Housing Schemes</td>
<td>£85,300</td>
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<td>War Memorials</td>
<td>£20,000</td>
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<td>Peterhead Harbour</td>
<td>£20,000</td>
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<tr>
<td>Rates on Government Property</td>
<td>£1,525,000</td>
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<tr>
<td>Public Works and Buildings, Ireland</td>
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<td>Railways, Ireland</td>
<td>£38,742</td>
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<td>Total</td>
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Class II.

4. That a sum not exceeding £7,443,988 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 1922 for expenditure in respect of the Services included in Class II. of the Estimates for Civil Services, viz.:

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<td>House of Commons (including a Supplementary sum of £1,600)</td>
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<td>Treasury and Subordinate Departments</td>
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<td>Home Office</td>
<td>£241,446</td>
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<td>Foreign Office</td>
<td>£112,650</td>
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<td>India Office</td>
<td>£105,500</td>
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<td>Privy Council Office</td>
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<td>Board of Trade (including a Supplementary sum of £398,715)</td>
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<td>Department of Overseas Trade</td>
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<td>Mercantile Marine Services</td>
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<td>Bankruptcy Department of the Board of Trade</td>
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<td>Forestry Commission</td>
<td>£200,000</td>
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<td>Ministry of Transport</td>
<td>£225,502</td>
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<td>Charity Commission</td>
<td>£31,647</td>
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<td>Government Commission</td>
<td>£35,164</td>
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<td>Civil Service Commission</td>
<td>£53,492</td>
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<td>Civil Service Arbitration Board</td>
<td>£1,384</td>
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<td>Exchequer and Audit Department</td>
<td>£110,250</td>
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<td>Ryde Hall and societies Registry</td>
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<td>Government Actuary</td>
<td>£29,478</td>
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<td>Board of Control, England</td>
<td>£251,564</td>
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<tr>
<td>The Mint</td>
<td>£6</td>
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<td>National Debt Office</td>
<td>£17,688</td>
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<td>Total</td>
<td>£5,125,747</td>
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Class III.

5. That a sum not exceeding £10,888,457 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 1922 for expenditure in respect of the Services included in Class III. of the Estimates for Civil Services, viz.:

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<td>Law Charges</td>
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<td>Miscellaneous Legal Expenses</td>
<td>£21,463</td>
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<td>Supreme Court of Judicature, &amp;c.</td>
<td>£354,988</td>
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<td>Land Registry</td>
<td>£82,684</td>
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<td>Public Trusts</td>
<td>£6</td>
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<td>County Courts</td>
<td>£238,636</td>
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<td>Police (England and Wales)</td>
<td>£3,241,474</td>
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<td>Prisons, England and Wales</td>
<td>£677,254</td>
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<td>Reformatory and Industrial Schools, England and Wales</td>
<td>£272,586</td>
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<td>Broadmoor Criminal Lunatic Asylum Scotland</td>
<td>£45,750</td>
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<td>Law Charges and Courts of Law</td>
<td>£139,008</td>
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<td>Scottish Land Court</td>
<td>£10,480</td>
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<td>Register House, Edinburgh</td>
<td>£51,486</td>
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<td>Police</td>
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<td>Prisons</td>
<td>£149,677</td>
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<td>Reformatory and Industrial Schools, Ireland</td>
<td>£69,715</td>
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<td>Law Charges and Criminal Prosecutions</td>
<td>£49,115</td>
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<td>Supreme Court of Judicature, &amp;c.</td>
<td>£140,006</td>
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<td>Irish Land Commission</td>
<td>£736,090</td>
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<td>County Courts, &amp;c.</td>
<td>£135,659</td>
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<td>Dublin Metropolitan Police</td>
<td>£137,594</td>
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<td>Royal Irish Constabulary</td>
<td>£3,045,039</td>
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<td>Prisons</td>
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<td>£68,561</td>
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<td>Dundrum Criminal Lunatic Asylum</td>
<td>£12,185</td>
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<td>£10,888,457</td>
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Class IV.

6. That a sum not exceeding £5,997,526 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 1922 for expenditure in respect of the Services included in Class IV. of the Estimates for Civil Services, viz.:

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<td>British Museum</td>
<td>£235,985</td>
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<td>National Gallery</td>
<td>£22,627</td>
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<td>National Portrait Gallery</td>
<td>£5,844</td>
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<td>Wallace Collection</td>
<td>£8,612</td>
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4th August.

Class V.
7. That a sum not exceeding £3,519,139 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 1922 for expenditure in respect of the Services included in Class V. of the Estimates for Civil Services, viz.:

- £
1. Diplomatic and Consular Services - 1,087,187
2. Colonial Services (including a Supplementary sum of £150,000) - 1,173,092
3. Middle Eastern Services - 14,000
4. Telegraph Subsidies - 7,056
5. League of Nations - 31,000

£3,519,139

Class VI.
8. That a sum not exceeding £98,557,671 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 1922 for expenditure in respect of the Services included in Class VI. of the Estimates for Civil Services, viz.:

- £
1. Superannuation and Retired Allowances - 67,784
2. Old Age Pensions - 15,150,000
3. Ministry of Pensions - 15,150,000
4. Merchant Seamen’s War Pensions - 345,485
5. Miscellaneous Expenses - 14,064
6. Hospitals and Charities, Ireland - 31,000
7. Temporary Commissions - 30,000
8. National Savings Committee - 81,668
9. Imperial War Graves Commission - 535,600
10. Repayments to the Local Loans Fund - 1,699
11. Ireland Development Grant - 145,000
12. Expenses under the Representation of the People Act - 290,000
13. Emergency Services (including a Supplementary sum of £,56,700) - 7,565,700
14. Royal Patriotic Fund - 75,525
15. Agricultural Development Grant - 1,000,000
16. Repayments to the Civil Contingencies Fund - 89,768
17. Mission of His Royal Highness the Prince of Wales to India - 25,000

£98,557,671

Class VII.
9. That a sum not exceeding £60,908,961 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 1922 for expenditure in respect of the Services included in Class VII. of the Estimates for Civil Services, viz.:

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1. National Health Insurance Joint Committee - 300,500
4. Local Government Board (Ireland) - 1,121,284
5. National Health Insurance Commission (Ireland) - 356,785
7. National Insurance, Audit Department - 122,970
8. Friendly Societies’ Deposits - 6,820
9. Grants to Voluntary Hospitals - 500,000

£3,997,636

Disposal and Liquidation Commission.
10. That a sum not exceeding £3,600,000 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 1922 for the Salaries and Expenses of the Disposal and Liquidation Commission.

Shipping Liquidation.
11. That a sum not exceeding £4,445,600 be granted to His Majesty, to complete the sum liquidated, necessary to defray the charge which will come in course of payment during the year ending on the 31st day of March 1922 for the Salaries and Expenses in connection with Shipping Liquidation.

Central Control Board (Liquor Traffic).
12. That a sum not exceeding £127,540 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 1922 for the Salaries and Expenses of the Central Control Board (Liquor Traffic), including the cost of acquisition and direct control of licensed premises and businesses and the provision of canteens.

Loans to Allies, &c.
13. That a sum not exceeding £3,000,000 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 1922 for Loans to the Governments of Allied Countries, and for Loans and Grants for purposes of Reconstruction and Relief.

Railway and Canal (War) Agreements Liquidation.
14. That a Supplementary sum not exceeding £36,000,000 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 1922 to meet Expenditure arising from the Government Control of Railways and Canals in Great Britain and Ireland under the Regulation of the Forces Act, 1871, Section 16, and Defence of the Realm (Consolidation) Regulations, 9 H.

Treasury Securities Deposit Scheme.
15. That a sum not exceeding £489,137 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 1922 for the Expenses connected with the Treasury Securities Deposit Scheme.

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16. That a sum not exceeding £61,000 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 1922 for ex gratia Grants in respect of Losses and Injuries sustained in the Rebellion in Ireland in 1916.

Miscellaneous War Services (Foreign Office).
17. That a sum not exceeding £1,646,899 (including a Supplementary sum of £1,114,899) be granted to His Majesty, to complete the sum necessary to defray the charge which will come in course of payment during the year ending on the 31st day of March 1922 for the cost of certain Miscellaneous War Services.

Coal Mines Deficiency.
18. That a sum not exceeding £1,500,000 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 1922 to provide for the Deficiency arising under the Coal Mines Control Agreement (Confirmation) Act, 1918, and for advances under Section 7 (d) of the Coal Mines Emergency Act, 1920.

Road Grants (Unemployment Relief).
19. That a sum not exceeding £3,500,000 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 1922 for Road Grants to relieve Unemployment.

Unemployment Grants.
20. That a sum not exceeding £300,000 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 1922 for Grants to Local Authorities, &c., in the United Kingdom for assistance in carrying out approved Schemes of useful work to relieve Unemployment.

Home-Grown Wheat Guarantee.
21. That a sum not exceeding £10 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 1922 for Grants to Local Authorities, &c., in the United Kingdom for assistance in carrying out approved Schemes of useful work to relieve Unemployment.

Corn Production Guarantee (England and Wales).
22. That a sum not exceeding £15,000,000 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 1922 for the Expenses arising out of the Guarantee of Minimum Prices for Wheat and Oats produced in England and Wales.

Corn Production Guarantee (Scotland).
23. That a sum not exceeding £4,400,000 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 1922 for Expenses arising out of the Guarantee of Minimum Prices for Wheat and Oats in Scotland.

Export Credits.
24. That a sum not exceeding £3,000,000 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 1922 to provide for advances in respect of Exports of goods wholly or partly produced or manufactured in the United Kingdom or guarantees in connection therewith.

Prize Claims.
25. That a sum not exceeding £35,000 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 1922 for Claims by British, Allied, or, Neutral Third Parties against Ships or Cargoes condemned or detained as Naval Prize.

Navy Estimates, 1921-22.
26. That a sum not exceeding £26,418,500 be granted to His Majesty, to defray the charge which will come in course of payment during the year ending on the 31st day of March 1922 for expenditure in respect of the Navy Services, viz.:—

Army Estimates, 1921-22.
27. That a sum not exceeding £37,444,000 be granted to His Majesty, to complete the sum necessary to defray the charges for Army Services, including Army (Ordnance Factories), which will come in course of payment during the year ending on the 31st day of March 1922 in respect of an estimated net total cost of £24,135,850, and of liabilities outstanding on the first day of the year.

Revenue Departments Estimates, 1921-22.
28. That a sum not exceeding £8,450,650 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 1922 for Expenditure in respect of the Services included in the Estimates for Revenue Departments, viz.:—

The First Resolution being read a second time;
An Amendment was proposed to be made to the Resolution, by leaving out "£12,445,405", and inserting "£12,445,305"—(Mr. Myers)—instead thereof.

And the Question being proposed, That "£12,445,405" stand part of the Resolution.

A Message was delivered by Lieutenant-Royal Ascent, General Sir William Pulteney, K.C.B., K.C.M.G., D.S.O., Gentleman Usher of the Black Rod:

Mr. Speaker, The Lords, authorised by virtue of His Majesty's Commission, for declaring His Royal Ascent 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 request of the Lords authorised by virtue of His Majesty's Commission, had been at the House of Peers, where a Commission under the Great Seal was read, giving, declaring, and notifying the Royal Assent to the several Acts therein mentioned; and that the Lords thereby authorised had declared the Royal Assent to the said Acts, as follow:

1. Finance Act, 1921.
2. Housing (Scotland) Act, 1921.
3. Representation of the People Act, 1921.
5. Ministry of Health Provisional Order Confirmation (Sheffield Extension) Act, 1921.
6. Ministry of Health Provisional Orders Confirmation (No. 7) Act, 1921.
7. Pilotage Orders Confirmation (No. 6) Act, 1921.
8. Pilotage Orders Confirmation (No. 7) Act, 1921.
10. Liverpool Corporation Act, 1921.
13. London County Council (Money) Act, 1921.

And the Question being again proposed, That "£12,445,405" stand part of the Resolution:

And it being Ten of the clock, Mr. Speaker proceeded, pursuant to Standing Order No. 15, to put forthwith the Questions necessary to dispose of the Report of the Resolution under consideration.

And the Question being put, That "£12,445,405" stand part of the Resolution:

The House divided.
The Yeas to the Right;
The Noes to the Left.

Tellers for the (Colonel Leslie Wilson)
Yeas, Mr. Dudley Ward: 286.
Tellers for the Mr. Arthur Henderson
Noes, Mr. Hogge: 75.

So it was resolved in the Affirmative.

Mr. Speaker then proceeded to put forthwith the Questions, That this House doth agree with the Committee in the outstanding Resolutions reported in respect of Classes I. to VII. of the Civil Services Estimates, and of the Navy Estimates, the Army Estimates, the Air Force Estimates, the Revenue Departments Estimates, and other outstanding Resolutions severally.

Civil Services Estimates, and Supplementary Estimates, 1921-22.

Class I.

And the Question being put, That this House doth agree with the Committee in the outstanding

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Air Estimates, 1921-22.
And the Question being put, That this House doth agree with the Committee in the outstanding Resolution reported in respect of the Air Estimates:—It was resolved in the Affirmative.

Revenue Departments Estimates, 1921-22.
And the Question being put, That this House doth agree with the Committee in the outstanding Resolutions reported in respect of the Revenue Departments Estimates:

The House divided.
The Yeas to the Right;
The Noes to the Left.

Tellers for the (Colonel Leslie Wilson, 279.
Yeas, Mr. Dudley Ward
Tellers for the (Mr. Arthur Henderson, 78.
Noes, Mr. Hope:
So it was resolved in the Affirmative.

Disposal and Liquidation Commission.

And the Question being put, That this House doth agree with the Committee in the outstanding Resolution reported in respect of the Estimate for the Disposal and Liquidation Commission:—It was resolved in the Affirmative.

Shipping Liquidation.

And the Question being put, That this House doth agree with the Committee in the outstanding Resolution reported in respect of the Estimate for Shipping Liquidation:—It was resolved in the Affirmative.

Central Control Board (Liquor Traffic).

And the Question being put, That this House doth agree with the Committee in the outstanding Resolution reported in respect of the Estimate for the Central Control Board (Liquor Traffic):—It was resolved in the Affirmative.

Loans to Allies, &c.

And the Question being put, That this House doth agree with the Committee in the outstanding Resolution reported in respect of the Estimate for Loans to Allies, &c:—It was resolved in the Affirmative.

Railway and Canal (War) Agreements Liquidation.

And the Question being put, That this House doth agree with the Committee in the outstanding Resolution reported in respect of the Estimate for Railway and Canal (War) Agreements Liquidation:—It was resolved in the Affirmative.

Treasury Securities Deposit Scheme.

And the Question being put, That this House doth agree with the Committee in the outstanding Resolution reported in respect of the Estimate for the Treasury Securities Deposit Scheme:—It was resolved in the Affirmative.

Property Losses (Ireland) Compensation.

And the Question being put, That this House doth agree with the Committee in the outstanding Resolution reported in respect of the Estimate for Property Losses (Ireland) Compensation:—It was resolved in the Affirmative.

Miscellaneous War Services (Foreign Office).

And the Question being put, That this House doth agree with the Committee in the outstanding Resolution reported in respect of the Estimate for Miscellaneous War Services (Foreign Office):

The House divided.
The Yeas to the Right:
The Noes to the Left.

Tellers for the (Mr. Dudley Ward, 275.
Yeas, Colonel Gibb
Tellers for the (Mr. Arthur Henderson, 71.
Noes, Mr. Hope:
So it was resolved in the Affirmative.

Coal Mines Deficiency.

And the Question being put, That this House doth agree with the Committee in the outstanding Resolution reported in respect of the Estimate for the Coal Mines Deficiency:—It was resolved in the Affirmative.

Road Grants (Unemployment Relief).

And the Question being put, That this House doth agree with the Committee in the outstanding Resolution reported in respect of the Estimate for Road Grants (Unemployment Relief):—It was resolved in the Affirmative.

Unemployment Grants.

And the Question being put, That this House doth agree with the Committee in the outstanding Resolution reported in respect of the Estimate for Unemployment Grants:—It was resolved in the Affirmative.

Home-Grown Wheat Guarantee.

And the Question being put, That this House doth agree with the Committee in the outstanding Resolution reported in respect of the Estimate for the Home-Grown Wheat Guarantee:

The House divided.
The Yeas to the Right;
The Noes to the Left.

Tellers for the (Colonel Leslie Wilson, 279.
Yeas, Mr. Dudley Ward
Tellers for the (Mr. Arthur Henderson, 59.
Noes, Mr. Hope:
So it was resolved in the Affirmative.

Corn Production Guarantee (England and Wales).

And the Question being put, That this House doth agree with the Committee in the outstanding Resolution reported in respect of the Estimate for the Corn Production Guarantee (England and Wales):—It was resolved in the Affirmative.

Corn Production Guarantee (Scotland).

And the Question being put, That this House doth agree with the Committee in the outstanding Resolution reported in respect of the Estimate for the Corn Production Guarantee (Scotland):—It was resolved in the Affirmative.

Export Credits.

And the Question being put, That this House doth agree with the Committee in the outstanding Resolution reported in respect of the Estimate for Export Credits:—It was resolved in the Affirmative.

Prize Claims.

And the Question being put, That this House doth agree with the Committee in the outstanding Resolution reported in respect of the Estimate for Prize Claims:—It was resolved in the Affirmative.
Colonel Sir Robert Sanders reported from the Committee on Navy and Air Expenditure, 1919-20, several Resolutions; which were read, as follow:

1. Whereas it appears by the Navy Appropriation Account for the year ended the 31st day of March 1920, and the Statement appended thereto, as follows, viz.:

(a) That the aggregate expenditure on Navy Services exceeded the aggregate sums appropriated for those Services by a sum of £7,054,288 8s. 6d.;
(b) That the aggregate receipts in aid of Navy Services exceeded the aggregate sums appropriated in aid of those Services by a sum of £10,499,054 2s. 4d.;
(c) That, as shown in the Schedule hereto appended, the total difference between the Exchequer Grants for Navy Services and the not expenditure are as follows, viz.:

Total Surpluses - 7,553,629 13 11
Total Deficits - 4,108,763 19 10

Net Surplus - £3,444,865 14 1

And whereas a Vote of Parliament during the present Session (Parliamentary Paper, No. 47, of Session 1921) a further sum of £100 has been granted for the expenditure of the year 1919-20, and the appropriation of additional receipts in aid of such expenditure has been sanctioned to the amount of £7,054,188 8s. 6d.;

And whereas the said total surpluses on certain grants for Navy Services have been temporarily applied, as far as necessary, in making good the said total deficits on other grants for Navy Services.

1. That the application of such sums be sanctioned.

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II. Whereas it appears by the Air Appropriation Account for the year ended the 31st day of March 1920, and the Statement appended thereto, as follows, viz.:

(a) That the aggregate expenditure on Air Services exceeded the aggregate sums appropriated for those Services by a sum of £578,466 8s. 6d.;
(b) That the aggregate receipts in aid of Air Services exceeded the aggregate sums appropriated in aid of those Services by a sum of £327,451 9s. 6d.;
(c) That, as shown in the Schedule hereto appended, the total differences between the Exchequer Grants for Air Services and the not expenditure are as follows, viz.:

Total Surpluses - 2,478 18 6
Total Deficits - 60,874 7 9

Net Deficit - £296,214 18 5

And whereas a Vote of Parliament during the present Session (Parliamentary Paper, No. 47, of Session 1921,) sanction has been given for the appropriation of the said excess aggregate receipts, amounting to the sum of £327,451 9s. 6d., and a further sum of £251,214 18 5d. has been granted to meet the balance of the said excess aggregate expenditure.

And whereas the said total surpluses on certain grants for Air Services have been temporarily applied towards making good part of the said total deficits on other grants for Air Services.

2. That the application of such sums be sanctioned.

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The said Resolutions, being read a second time, were agreed to.

Colonel Sir Robert Sanders reported from the Ways and Committee of Ways and Means of the 3rd day Means of this instant August, 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 1922, the sum of £493,823,909 be granted out of the Consolidated Fund of the United Kingdom.

The said Resolution, being read a second time, was agreed to.
Consolidated Fund (Appropriation.)

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. Hilton Young do prepare and bring it in.

Mr. Hilton Young 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 twenty-two, and to appropriate the supplies granted in this Session of Parliament: And the same was read the first time, and ordered to be read a second time to-morrow; and to be printed.

The Zion Congregational Chapel (Frampton Cotterell) Charity Bill was, according to Order, read a second time.

Resolved, That this House will immediately resolve itself into the Committee on the Bill:—(Mr. Lane-Fox.)

The House accordingly resolved itself into the Committee.

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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 now read the third time;—The Bill was accordingly read the third time and passed.

The House accordingly resolved itself into the Standing Committee.

A Clause was offered to be added to the Bill, "acts of indecency by females."—(Mr. Macquisten).

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 divided.

The Yeas to the Right;

The Noes to the Left.

Tellers for the [Mr. Macquisten,]

Yess, [Sir Ernest Wild:]

Tellers for the [Colonel Moore Bradbury,]

Noes, [Mr. Readall:]

148.

65.

So it was resolved in the Affirmative.

The said Clause was accordingly read a second time; and made part of the Bill.

An Amendment was proposed to be made to the Bill, in p. 1, l. 9, by leaving out from the word "indecency," to the end of Clause 1.—(Sir Robert Newman.)

And the Question being proposed, That the words proposed to be left out stand part of the Bill;

And the House, having continued to sit till after Twelve of the clock on Friday morning:

Friday, 5th August 1921:

And the Question being put;

The House divided.

The Yeas to the Right;

The Noes to the Left.

Tellers for the [Major Farquharson,]

Yess, [Earl Winterton:]

Tellers for the [Sir Robert Newman,]

Noes, [Mr. Lunn:]

167.

27.

So it was resolved in the Affirmative.

Another Amendment was proposed to be made to the Bill, in p. 1, l. 12, by leaving out Clause 2.—(Sir Ernest Wild.)

And the Question being put, That the words proposed to be left out stand part of the Bill;

The House divided.

The Yeas to the Right;

The Noes to the Left.

Tellers for the [Major Farquharson,]

Yess, [Sir William Ryland Adkins:]

Tellers for the [Sir William Ryland Adkins,]

Noes, [Major Hamilton:]

103.

49.

So it was resolved in the Affirmative.

A Motion was made, and the Question being put, That further consideration of the Bill, as amended in the Standing Committee, be now adjourned.—(Mr. Holker)

The House divided.

The Yeas to the Right;

The Noes to the Left.

Tellers for the [Colonel Moore Bradbury,]

Yess, [Mr. Holker:]

Tellers for the [Earl Winterton,]

Noes, [Mr. Cape:]

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104.

So it passed in the Negative.

Then Amendments were made to the Bill. Another Amendment was proposed to be made to the Bill, in p. 3, l. 15, by leaving out from the word "repealed" to the end of Clause 6.—(Captain Gee.)

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;

Sir William Ryland Adkins rose in his place and claimed to move, That the Question be now put.

And the Question being put, That the Question put be now put;

(pursuant to 3.0. Clause of Debate.)

The House divided.

The Yeas to the Right;

The Noes to the Left.

Tellers for the [Earl Winterton,]

Yess, [Major Farquharson:]

Tellers for the [Major Hamilton,]

Noes, [Mr. Dennis Herbert:]

106.

15.

So it was resolved in the Affirmative.

And the Question being accordingly put, That the Bill be now read the third time;
Resolved, That in accordance with the Church of England Assembly Powers Act, 1919, this House do direct that the Union of Benefices Measure, 1921, be presented to His Majesty for the Royal Assent.—(Major Birchall.)

Whereupon Mr. Speaker adjourned the Adjournment.

The House without Question put, pursuant to the Order of the House of the 26th day of July last, it being then four minutes after Three of the clock, on Friday morning, till this day.

[No. 114.]

Friday, 5th August 1921.

The House met at Eleven of the clock.

PRAYERS.

Ordered, That the Taf Fechan Water Supply Bill [Lords] be taken into consideration upon Monday next, at a quarter of an hour after Eight of the clock.

The House, according to Order, proceeded to take into consideration the South Shields Corporation Bill [Lords], as amended in the Committee:

Ordered, That the Bill be read the third time.

The House, according to Order, proceeded to take into consideration the Aberdeen Corporation (Electricity Works Railway) Order Confirmation Bill:

Ordered, That the Bill be read the third time upon Monday next.

The House, according to Order, proceeded to take into consideration the Bridge of Allan Water, &c., Order Confirmation Bill:

Ordered, That the Bill be read the third time upon Monday next.

The Order of the day being read, for the Third Reading of the Ministry of Health Provisional Order (Cardiff Extension) Bill;

Ordered, That the Bill be read the third time upon Monday next.

Several Public Petitions were presented, and read; and ordered to lie upon the Table.

Mr. Baldwin presented, by His Majesty's Command,—Copy of Draft of Special Order proposed to be made by the Board of Trade under the Gas Regulation Act, 1920, on the application of the Harwich Gas and Coke Company.

Ordered, That the said Paper do lie upon the Table.

Mr. Secretary Shortt presented, pursuant to Shops Act, the directions of an Act of Parliament,—Copy of Order made under the Shops Act, 1912, by the Council of the under-mentioned Local Authority, and confirmed by the Secretary of State for the Home Department:

County Borough of Midlothian.

Ordered, That the said Paper do lie upon the Table.
The following Paper, pursuant to the directions of an Act of Parliament, was laid upon the Table by the Clerk of the House—Copy of the Companies (Winding-up) Rules, 1921, dated 26th July 1921, made under the Companies (Consolidation) Act, 1898.

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. Hilton Young.)

Adjournment.

Resolved, That this House, at its rising this day, do adjourn till Monday next.—(Colonel Leslie Wilson.)

Expanding Laws Continuance Bill. Bill 203.

Mr. Hilton Young presented a Bill to continue certain Expanding Laws: And the same was ordered to be read a second time upon Monday next; and to be printed.

Isle of Man (Concussion) Bill. Bill 204.

Mr. Hilton Young presented a Bill to amend the Land Settlement Act, 1920, in the Isle of Man: And the same was ordered to be read a second time upon Monday next; and to be printed.

Trusts (Scotland) Bill [Lords].

The Trusts (Scotland) Bill [Lords] was, according to Order, read a second time, and committed to a Standing Committee.

Criminal Procedure (Scotland) Bill [Lords].

The Criminal Procedure (Scotland) Bill [Lords] was, according to Order, read a second time, and committed to a Standing Committee.

Land Settlement Amendment Bill.

The Land Settlement Amendment Bill was, according to Order, read a second time; and Ordered, That the Bill be committed to a Committee of the whole House for Monday next.—(Mr. Munro.)

Telegraph (Money) Bill.

The Telegraph (Money) Bill was, according to Order, read a second time, and committed to a Standing Committee.

Exchequer and Audit Departments Bill.

The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Exchequer and Audit Departments Bill; And a Motion being made, and the Question being proposed, That the Bill be now read a second time—And a Debate arising thereupon; Ordered, That the Debate be now adjourned.—(Colonel Leslie Wilson.)

Ordered, That the Debate be resumed upon Monday next.

A Motion was made, and the Question being proposed,—

(a) That women shall be admitted to the Civil Service of His Majesty within the United Kingdom, under the same regulations, present or future, as provide for and prescribe the mode of admission for men:

(b) That women shall be appointed to and continue to hold posts in the Civil Service within the United Kingdom under the same regulations, present or future, as provide for and prescribe the mode of admission for men:

(c) That there shall be a transition period of not more than two years during which time women establishment officers shall be appointed in every department and a number of qualified women admitted to each grade. Provided that arrangements in hand for the inclusion of ex-service men on special terms be not by these resolutions prevented or delayed—(Major Hills).

An Amendment was proposed to be made to the Question in l. 1. by leaving out the word "That" to the end of the Question, and adding the words “this House approves of the temporary regulations for competitions governing the appointment of women to situations in the new reorganisation classes in the Home Civil Service:

Provided that after a provisional period of three years women shall be admitted to the Civil Service of His Majesty within the United Kingdom, under the same regulations, present or future, as provide for and prescribe the mode of admission for men:

Provided further that the allocation by the Civil Service Commissioners of such candidates as qualify for the posts shall be made with due regard to the requirements of the situation to be filled.

(2) That women shall be appointed to and continue to hold posts in the Civil Service within the United Kingdom under the same regulations, present or future, as govern the classification and, in so far as regards status and authority, other conditions of service of men;

(3) That, having regard to the present financial position of the country, this House cannot commit itself to the increase in Civil Service salaries involved in the payment of women in all cases at the same rate as men; but that the question of the remuneration of women as compared with men shall be reviewed within a period not exceeding three years,—(Mr. Chancellor of the Exchequer)—instead thereof.

And the Question being put, That the words proposed to be left out stand part of the Question:—It passed in the Negative.

And the Question being proposed, That those words be added:

The proposed words were amended by adding, at the end thereof, the words,—

“Provided that arrangements in hand for the inclusion of ex-service men on special terms be not by these resolutions prevented or delayed.”—(Sir James Greig.)

And the Question being put, That the proposed words, as amended, be there added:—It was resolved in the Affirmative.

And the Main Question, so amended, being put:

Resolved, (1) That this House approves of the temporary regulations for competitions governing the appointment of women to situations in the new reorganisation classes in the Home Civil Service:

Provided that after a provisional period of three years women shall be admitted to the Civil Service of His Majesty within the United Kingdom, under the same regulations, present or future, as provide for and prescribe the mode of admission for men:

Provided further that the allocation by the Civil Service Commissioners of such candidates as qualify for the posts shall be made with due regard to the requirements of the situation to be filled.

(2) That women shall be appointed to and continue to hold posts in the Civil Service within the United Kingdom under the same
The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Declaration of Rights Bill; Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time upon Friday next.

Mr. Hilton Young presented,—Return to an Order, dated the 8th day of this instant August, for a Return relative to Public Works Loans. No. 210. Ordered, That the said Return do lie upon the Table; and be printed.

Whereupon Mr. Speaker adjourned the Adjournment. House without Question put, pursuant to Standing Order No. 3, it being then five minutes after Four of the clock, till Monday next, pursuant to the Resolution of the House of this day.

STANDING COMMITTEES.

Distribution by Mr. Speaker, pursuant to Standing Order No. 47, of Bills committed to a Standing Committee.

Mr. Speaker being of opinion that the Trusts (Scotland) Bill [Lords] and the Criminal Procedure (Scotland) Bill [Lords] are Bills relating exclusively to Scotland, the Bills will be considered by the Standing Committee on Scottish Bills.

[No. 115.]

Monday, 8th August 1921.

The House met at a quarter of an hour before Three of the clock.

PRAYERS.

TUE House proceeded to take into consideration the Amendments made by the Lords to the Thames Conservancy Bill; and the same were twice read, and agreed to.

Ordered, That the Clerk do carry the Bill to the Lords; and acquaint them that this House hath agreed to the Amendments made by their Lordships.

The House proceeded to take into consideration the Amendments made by the Lords to the Southampton Corporation Water Bill; and the same were twice read, and agreed to.

Ordered, That the Clerk do carry the Bill to the Lords; and acquaint them that this House hath agreed to the Amendments made by their Lordships.

The De Trafford Estates 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

Copy of Report of the Departmental Committee of the Ministry of Health on the High Cost of Building Working Class Dwellings.

Ordered, That the said Paper do lie upon the Table.

Sir Arthur Griffith-Boscawen presented, pursuant to the directions of an Act of Parliament, a Copy of Order, dated 2nd August 1921, made under the Diseases of Animals Acts, authorising the landing of one male Lechwe Antelope, one female Gnu Antelope, and one female Wart-Hog, in the Port of Southampton.

Ordered, That the said Paper do lie upon the Table.

Mr. Attorney General presented, by His German War Majesty's Command, a Copy of Report of Proceedings of the German War Trials before the Supreme Court in Leipzig.

Ordered, That the said Paper do lie upon the Table.

Sir Eric Geddes presented, by His Majesty's Command, a Copy of Order under the Roads Act, 1920, dated 30th July 1921, amending the Road Vehicles (Registration and Licensing) Regulations, 1921, as regards the County of the West Riding of Yorkshire.

Ordered, That the said Paper do lie upon the Table.

Ordered, That Mr. Speaker do issue his Warrant to the Clerk of the Crown, to make out a new Writ for the election of a Member to serve in this present Parliament for the County of Glamorgan (Caerphilly Division), in the room of Alfred Onions, Esquire, deceased.—(Mr. Griffiths.)

Mr. Chancellor of the Exchequer, supported by Mr. Hilton Young, presented a Bill to authorise capital moneys belonging to the Duchy of Lancaster to be applied, up to an amount not exceeding one hundred thousand pounds, as revenues of the Duchy; And the same was ordered to be read a second time to-morrow; and to be printed.

Ordered, That, if the day allotted under the Business of the House of 13th June for the Third Reading of the Safeguarding of Industries Bill be a Friday, the hour for the conclusion of the Proceedings on that stage of the Bill shall be 4 p.m. instead of 4.30 p.m. as provided in the Order.—(Mr. Austen Chamberlain.)

The House, according to Order, proceeded to the Bill, and adjourned as amended in the Standing Committees.

Another Amendment was proposed to be made to the Bill, in p. 51, l. 40, by leaving out the words "on either side," and inserting the words "by the trades union, or by any company, or amalgamated group of companies,"—(Sir Frederick Banbury)—instead thereof.

And the Question being put, That the words proposed to be left out stand part of the Bill;—it was resolved in the Affirmative.

Another Amendment was proposed to be made to the Bill, in p. 52, l. 21, by inserting, after the word "Act," the words "and subject to the
Another Amendment was proposed to be made to the Bill, in p. 59, l. 1, 2, by leaving out words “in operation,” and inserting the word “authorised.”—(Sir Eric Geddes.)

And the Question being proposed, That those words be there inserted in the Bill:—It was resolved in the Affirmative.

Then other Amendments were made to the Bill.

Another Amendment was proposed to be made to the Bill, in p. 59, l. 3, by leaving out Clause 75.—(Mr. George Roberts.)

And the Question being proposed, That the words proposed to be left out, to the word “in,” in line 10, 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. 59, l. 4, 2, by inserting, at the end thereof, the words—

“...and Means a copy of the draft order, together with a report stating the grounds on which the application was refused, and if the said Chairman shall consent that the proposals may be dealt with by Private Bill, the promoters shall be entitled to make application for a Bill; and the notices published and served, and the depositions made for the purpose of the application for the order, shall, subject to the Standing Orders, be held to have been published, served, and made for the purpose of the Bill.”—(Mr. MacVaugh.)

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. 54, l. 42, by inserting, at the end of l. 42, the words—

“But nevertheless, in the event of the confirmation of an order being refused by the Minister on grounds other than non-compliance with the rules of procedure, he shall, if requested by the promoters and on payment by them of such additional fees as may be prescribed, send to the Lord Chairman and Chairman of Ways and Means a copy of the draft order, together with a report stating the grounds on which the application was refused, and if the said Chairman shall consent that the proposals may be dealt with by Private Bill, the promoters shall be entitled to make application for a Bill; and the notices published and served, and the depositions made for the purpose of the application for the order, shall, subject to the Standing Orders, be held to have been published, served, and made for the purpose of the Bill.”—(Mr. Marshall Stevens.)

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. 57, l. 13, by leaving out Clause 72.—(Mr. George Roberts.)

And the Question being proposed, That the words proposed to be left out, to the end of l. 15, 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. 59, l. 13, by leaving out Clause 75.—(Mr. George Roberts.)

And the Question being proposed, That the words proposed to be left out, to the word “in,” in line 10, 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. 59, l. 10, by leaving out the words “in operation,” and inserting the word “authorised,”—(Sir Eric Geddes.)—instead thereof.

And the Question being proposed, That the word “is” 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. 59, l. 3, by leaving out Clause 75.—(Mr. George Roberts.)

And the Question being proposed, That the words proposed to be left out, to the word “in,” in line 10, 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. 59, l. 15, by leaving out the words “in operation,” and inserting the word “authorised,”—(Sir Eric Geddes.)—instead thereof.

And the Question being proposed, That the words “in operation” stand part of the Bill:—The said proposed Amendment was, with leave of the House, withdrawn.

Then another Amendment was made to the Bill.

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Then other Amendments were made to the Bill.

Another Amendment was proposed to be made to the Bill, in p. 65, l. 37, col. 3, by inserting, after the word "Company," the words "the Wirral Railway Company."—(Sir Robert New- mon.)

And the Question being put, That those words be there inserted in the Bill:—It passed in the Negative.

Death of a Member.

And notice having been taken of the sudden death of Thomas Wintringham, Esquire, Member for the Louth Division of Lincolnshire, within the precincts of the House, where his body was then lying:

Resolved, That further consideration of the Bill, as amended, be now adjourned.—(Mr. Austen Chamberlain.)

Ordered, That the Bill, as amended, be taken into further consideration to-morrow.

Adjournment. Resolved, That this House do now adjourn.—(Mr. Austen Chamberlain.)

And accordingly the House, having continued to sit till twenty-eight minutes after Eight of the clock, adjourned till to-morrow.

STANDING COMMITTEES.

Distribution by Mr. Speaker, pursuant to Standing Order No. 47, of Bills committed to a Standing Committee.

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[No. 116.]

Tuesday, 9th August 1921.

The House met at a quarter of an hour before Three of the clock.

PRAYERS.

Taf Fechan Water Supply Bill [Lords]

The Order of the day being read, for taking into consideration the Taf Fechan Water Supply Bill [Lords];

Ordered, That the Bill be taken into consideration at a quarter of an hour after Eight of the clock this evening.

Ministry of Health Provisional Order (Cardiff Extension) Bill

The Ministry of Health Provisional Order (Cardiff Extension) Bill was, according to Order, read the third time and passed.

Ordered, That the Clerk do carry the Bill to the Lords, and desire their concurrence.

Public Petitions. Vote First. Report. Medical and Allied Services (Wales.)

A Public Petition was presented, and read; and ordered to lie upon the Table.

Sir Alfred Mond presented, by His Majesty's Command,—Copy of Second Report of the Welsh Consultative Council on Medical and Allied Services in Wales.

Ordered, That the said Paper do lie upon the Table.

Mr. Fisher presented, by His Majesty's Command,—Copy of Report of the Board of Education for the year 1919-20.

Ordered, That the said Paper do lie upon the Table.

Mr. Cecil Harvey purchased, by His Treaty Series Majesty's Command,—Copy of Treaty between the Allied Powers and Greece relative to Thrace. Signed at Sèvres, 10th August 1920.

Copy of Agreement between Great Britain Treaty Series and Sweden relating to the suppression of the Capitations in Egypt. Stockholm, 8th July 1921.

Copy of Return of Shipping and Tonnage in Suez Canal the Suez Canal, 1919, in continuation of Commercial, No. 2, 1910.

Ordered, That the said Papers do lie upon the Table.

Mr. Baldwin presented, by His Majesty's Gas Regulation Command.—Copy of Draft of Special Order Act, 1920, proposed to be made by the Board of Trade under the Gas Regulation Act, 1920, on the application of the Southgate and District Gas Company.

Copy of Draft of Special Order proposed to be made by the Board of Trade under the Gas Act, 1920, on the application of the North Middlesex Gas Company.

Copy of Draft of Special Order proposed to be made by the Board of Trade under the Gas Act, 1920, on the application of the Bishop's Stortford, Harlow, and Epping Gas and Electricity Company.

Mr. Baldwin also presented, pursuant to the Companies directions of an Act of Parliament.—Copy of (Winding-up.) Thirtieth General Annual Report by the Board of Trade, under Section 293 of the Companies (Consolidation) Act, 1908.

Ordered, That the said Papers do lie upon the Table; and that the Paper relative to Companies (Winding-up) be printed.

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, province by province, for the current calendar year the cases (if any) in which the governors of governors' provinces have found it necessary to disregard or modify decisions of their Legislative Councils under the provisions of the following sections of the Government of India Act and Rules under the Act, viz.:

Sections 72 (c) (3), 72 D (2) (a) or (b), 72 D (6), 72 E, and 81;

Rule 22 (2) of the Legislative Council Rules; with similar particulars for action by the Governor General in relation to the Indian Legislature under corresponding provisions of the Act and Rules.

Mr. Herbert Lewis reported from the Select Committee appointed to join with a Committee of the House of Lords on Consolidation Bills the Minutes of the Proceedings of the Joint Committee in respect of the Education (Consolidation) Bill [Lords]; together with the Minutes of Evidence.

Ordered, That the Minutes of the Proceedings of the Committee, together with the Minutes of Evidence, be printed.
Mr. John William Wilson reported from the Chairman's Panel; That they had appointed Mr. Samuel Robert to be Chairman of Standing Committee C (in respect of the Telegraph (Money) Bill); and Sir Halford Mackinder to act as Chairman of the Standing Committee on Scottish Bills (in respect of the Trusts (Scotland) Bill [Lords]) and in respect of the Criminal Procedure (Scotland) Bill [Lords].

Ordered, That the Report do lie upon the Table.

Sir Samuel Roberts reported from the Committee of Selection; That they had added the following Fifteen Members to Standing Committee on Scottish Bills (in respect of the Trusta (Scotland) Bill [Lords] and the Criminal Procedure (Scotland) Bill [Lords]):—Captain Ellis, Major Entwistle, Mr. Erskine, Mr. Fildes, Mr. Gardner, Mr. Hallas, Mr. Jesson, Mr. Kenton, Mr. Lindsay, Major-General Sir Cecil Leatham, Mr. Pike Poole, Lord Eustace Percy, Mr. Alfred Short, Mr. Wignall, and Mr. Hilton Young.

Sir Samuel Roberts further reported from the Committee; That they had added the following Ten Members to the Standing Committee on Scottish Bills:—Captain Finney, Mr. Hilton, Major Percival, Mr. Picton, Mr. Surtees, Mr. Percy, Mr. Frederick Green, General Sir Archibald Hunter, Mr. Jodrell, Sir Robert Newman, Major Steel, Major Waring, and Colonel Sir Alfred Warren.

Ordered, That the Report do lie upon the Table.

Mr. Anstruther Williams reported from the Committee of Public Accounts; That they had made further progress with the matters to them referred, and directed him to make a Report thereof to the House; together with the Minutes of Evidence taken before them, and Appendices.

Ordered, That the Report do lie upon the Table; and be printed.

Brigadier-General Surtees, supported by Colonel Raw and Mr. Percy, presented a Bill to provide that the receptacle of each poison sold by retail shall bear a printed description of an antidote for that poison: And the same was ordered to be read a second time on Monday next; and to be printed.

The House, according to Order, proceeded to take into further consideration the Railways Bill, as amended in the Standing Committees.

Another Amendment was proposed to be made to the Bill, in p. 65, l. 53, col. 3, by inserting after the word "Company," the words "the Derwent Valley, Culver, and Bakewell Railway Company."—(Mr. Charles White.)

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. 66, l. 7, col. 2, by inserting, after the word "Company," the words "the Hull and Barnsley Railway Company."—(Lieutenant-Commander Kenworthy.)

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. 67, l. 37, by inserting, after the word "persons," the words "of whom seven shall be elected from and by the workers on the amalgamated companies."—(Mr. George Barnes.)

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. 69, l. 13, by leaving out from the word "date" to the word "officers," in l. 14, and inserting the words "of the passing of this Act had been for not less than three years,"—(Mr. James Henry Thomas,)—instead thereof.

And the Question being put, That the words proposed to be left out stand part of the Bill:—It passed in the Negative.

And the Question being proposed, That those words be there inserted in the Bill;—The proposed words were amended, by leaving out the words "had been for," and inserting the words "are and for a period of," instead thereof; and by leaving out the word "three," and inserting the word "five," instead thereof; and by adding at the end thereof the words "have been."—(Major Hills.)

And the Question being put, That the words "of the passing of this Act are and for a period of not less than five years have been," be there inserted in the Bill:—It was resolved in the Affirmative.

Another Amendment was proposed to be made to the Bill, in p. 69, l. 15, by leaving out the words "to which the schemes relates," and inserting the words "other than those who, prior to the amalgamation or absorption of such constituent or subsidiary company, have become pensioners or annuitants in accordance with the rules of any railway pension or superannuation fund of which they may be members, or who have been removed from the service of any such constituent or subsidiary company by reason of misconduct or incapacity,"—(Mr. James Henry Thomas,)—instead thereof.

And the Question being put, That the words proposed to be left out stand part of the Bill:—It passed in the Negative.

And the Question being proposed, That those words be there inserted in the Bill;—The proposed words were amended, in l. 1, by leaving out the words "other than those who," and inserting the words "and who shall not," instead thereof; and, in l. 4, by leaving out the words "who" and inserting the words "have voluntarily retired or," instead thereof.—(Major Hills.)

And the Question being put, That the words "and who shall not prior to the amalgamation or absorption of such constituent or subsidiary company, have become pensioners or annuitants in accordance with the rules of any railway pension or superannuation fund of which they may be members, or have been removed from the service of any such constituent or subsidiary company by reason of misconduct or incapacity," be there inserted in the Bill:—It was resolved in the Affirmative.

Another Amendment was proposed to be made to the Bill, in p. 69, l. 25, by leaving out the words "not analogous" and inserting the words "unreasonable having regard to his previous employment,"—(Mr. Percy,)—instead thereof.
The Order of the day being read, for the Irish Railways Committee on Irish Railways [Settlement of Claims].
Resolved, That this House will, to-morrow, resolve itself into the said Committee.

The House, according to Order, proceeded Water Undertakings (Modification of Charges) Bill, as amended in the Standing Committee.
A Clause was offered to be added to the Bill (Provisions as to value of undertakings.)—(Sir Richard Cooper.)
And the said Clause was brought up, and read the first time.
A Motion being made, and the Question being proposed, That the said Clause be read a second time;
And the House having continued to sit till after Twelve of the clock on Wednesday morning:

Wednesday, 10th August 1921:
The said Motion and Clause were, severally, with leave of the House, withdrawn.
Then Amendments were made to the Bill,
Ordered, That the Bill be 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 Supreme Court Officers (Retirement, Pension, &c.) Bill was, according to Order, Officers (Retirement, Pension, &c.) Bill.

Ordered, That the Bill be committed to a Committee of the whole House for this day.—(Mr. Secretary Shortt.)
The House, according to Order, resolved itself into a Committee on the Land Settlement Amendment Bill.

(in the Committee.)
Clauses No. 1 to No. 3 agreed to:
Bill to be reported.
Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair; and the Deputy Chairman reported, that the Committee had gone through the Bill, and directed him to report the same, without Amendment.
Ordered, That the Bill be read the third time this day.

The House, according to Order, resolved itself into a Committee on the Land Settlement Amendment Bill.

Ordered, That the Bill be read the third time this day.

The Isle of Man (Customs) Bill was, Isle of Man (Customs) Bill,
Ordered, That the Bill be committed to a Committee of the whole House for this day.—(Colonel Sir John Gilmour.)
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 this day.—(Colonel Leslie Wilson.)
The Education (Consolidation) Bill, Education was, according to Order, read a second time. (Consolidation) Bill
Ordered, That the Bill be committed to a Committee of the whole House for this day.—(Colonel Leslie Wilson.)
The Order of the day being read, for resuming the adjourned Debate on the Question proposed upon the 5th day of this instant August, That the Exchequer and Audit Departments Bill be now read a second time; Ordered, That the Debate be further adjourned till this day.

The Order of the day being read, for taking into consideration His Majesty's Message of the 2nd day of May last, relative to the Emergency Powers Act, 1920; Ordered, That the said Order be discharged.

The Order of the day being read, for resuming the adjourned Debate on the Question proposed upon the 11th day of April last, That an humble Address be presented to His Majesty thanking His Majesty for His Most Gracious Message communicating to this House His Majesty's intentions with respect to the Reserve Forces; Ordered, That the said Order be discharged.

The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Electricity (Supply) Bill; Ordered, That the said Order be discharged.

The Order of the day being read, for resuming the adjourned Debate on the Question proposed to be made by the Board of Trade under Section 10 of the Gas Regulation Act, 1920, on the application of the Glastonbury Corporation, which was presented on the 25th July, be approved.—(Sir William Mitchell-Thomson.)

Resolved, That the draft of a Special Order Gas Regulation proposed to be made by the Board of Trade Act, 1920, under Section 10 of the Gas Regulation Act, 1920, on the application of the Harpenden District Gas Company, which was presented on the 14th June, be approved subject to the following Amendments:—

Clause 1, sub-clause (2), after "1914," insert "the Harpenden District Gas (Charges) Order, 1921 (S. R. and O., 1921, No. 1,422)."

Clause 3, sub-clause (1), after "1914," insert "the Harpenden District Gas (Charges) Order, 1921."

Clause 17, sub-clause (1), L. 7, leave out "four shillings and ninepence per one thousand cubic feet," and insert "seventeen decimal four pence per therm."
under Section 10 of the Gas Regulation Act, 1920, on the application of the Hindley Urban District Council, which was presented on the 21st June, be approved.—(Sir William Mitchell-Thomson.)

Resolved, That the draft of a Special Order proposed to be made by the Board of Trade under Section 10 of the Gas Regulation Act, 1920, on the application of the Ossett Corporation, which was presented on the 13th May, be approved.—(Sir William Mitchell-Thomson.)

Resolved, That the draft of a Special Order proposed to be made by the Board of Trade under Section 10 of the Gas Regulation Act, 1920, on the application of the Pontypool Gas and Water Company, which was presented on the 17th June, be approved.—(Sir William Mitchell-Thomson.)

Resolved, That the draft of a Special Order proposed to be made by the Board of Trade under Section 10 of the Gas Regulation Act, 1920, on the application of the British Gas Light Company with respect to the Staffordshire Potteries undertaking of that company, which was presented on the 26th July, be approved.—(Sir William Mitchell-Thomson.)

Resolved, That the draft of a Special Order proposed to be made by the Board of Trade under Section 10 of the Gas Regulation Act, 1920, on the application of the Stoke-on-Trent Light Company with respect to the Staffordshire Potteries undertaking of that company, which was presented on the 13th May, be approved.—(Sir William Mitchell-Thomson.)

Resolved, That the draft of a Special Order proposed to be made by the Board of Trade under Section 10 of the Gas Regulation Act, 1920, on the application of the Pontypool Gas and Water Company, which was presented on the 3rd June, be approved.—(Sir William Mitchell-Thomson.)

Resolved, That the draft of a Special Order proposed to be made by the Board of Trade under Section 10 of the Gas Regulation Act, 1920, on the application of the British Gas Light Company with respect to the Staffordshire Potteries undertaking of that company, which was presented on the 17th June, be approved.—(Sir William Mitchell-Thomson.)

Resolved, That the draft of a Special Order proposed to be made by the Board of Trade under Section 10 of the Gas Regulation Act, 1920, on the application of the Ossett Corporation, which was presented on the 13th May, be approved.—(Sir William Mitchell-Thomson.)

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Standing Order 24 was read, and amended, in Standing Orders 24 and 246, re-"Fisheries," the words "and at the Office of the Ministry of Health," Standing Order 25 was read, and amended, in l. 7, by inserting, after the word "Trade," the words "and at the Office of the Civil Engineer-in-Chief of the Board of Admiralty," Standing Order 33 was read, and amended, in l. 34, by inserting, after the word "Trade," the words "and at the Office of the Civil Engineer-in-Chief of the Board of Admiralty," Standing Order 36a was read, and amended, in l. 30, by leaving out the words "the Board of Trade or the Ministry of Health," and inserting the words "or any Government Department," instead thereof.—(The Chairman of Ways and Means.)

Ordered, That Standing Orders 220 and 246, Private Bills, relating to Private Bills, be suspended for the remainder of the Session.

Ordered, That, as regards Private Bills to be returned by the House of Lords with Amendments, such Amendments (if unopposed) shall be considered forthwith.

Ordered, That, as regards Private Bills returned, or to be returned, by the House of Lords with Amendments, such Amendments (if opposed) shall be considered at such time as the Chairman of Ways and Means may determine.

Ordered, That, when it is intended to propose any Amendments thereto, a copy of such Amendments shall be deposited in the Committee and Private Bill Office, and notice given on the day on which the Bill shall have been returned from the House of Lords.—(The Chairman of Ways and Means.)

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Ordered, That, when it is intended to propose any Amendments thereto, a copy of such Amendments shall be deposited in the Committee and Private Bill Office, and notice given on the day on which the Bill shall have been returned from the House of Lords.—(The Chairman of Ways and Means.)

Several Public Petitions were presented, and Public Petitions, and to lie upon the Table.  

Mr. Secretary Guest presented, by His Majesty's Command,—Copy of Report of the Aeronautical Research Committee for the year 1920-21.

Ordered, That, in the name of the House of Commons, the said Paper do lie upon the Table.

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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, without Amendment.

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The House proceeded to take into consideration the County of London Electric Supply Company Bill [Lords], as amended in the Committee.

And Amendments were made to the Bill.

Ordered, That Standing Orders 225 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.

Standing Order 24 was read, and amended, in Standing Orders 24 and 246, the words "Fisheries," "and at the Office of the Ministry of Health." Standing Order 25 was read, and amended, in l. 7, by inserting, after the word "Trade," the words "and at the Office of the Civil Engineer-in-Chief of the Board of Admiralty." Standing Order 33 was read, and amended, in l. 34, by inserting, after the word "Trade," the words "and at the Office of the Civil Engineer-in-Chief of the Board of Admiralty." Standing Order 36a was read, and amended, in l. 30, by leaving out the words "the Board of Trade or the Ministry of Health," and inserting the words "or any Government Department," instead thereof.—(The Chairman of Ways and Means.)

Ordered, That Standing Orders 220 and 246, Private Bills, be suspended for the remainder of the Session.

Ordered, That, as regards Private Bills to be returned by the House of Lords with Amendments, such Amendments (if unopposed) shall be considered forthwith.

Ordered, That, as regards Private Bills returned, or to be returned, by the House of Lords with Amendments, such Amendments (if opposed) shall be considered at such time as the Chairman of Ways and Means may determine.

Ordered, That, when it is intended to propose any Amendments thereto, a copy of such Amendments shall be deposited in the Committee and Private Bill Office, and notice given on the day on which the Bill shall have been returned from the House of Lords.—(The Chairman of Ways and Means.)

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 Several Public Petitions were presented, and Public Petitions, and to lie upon the Table.  

Mr. Secretary Guest presented, by His Majesty's Command,—Copy of Report of the Aeronautical Research Committee for the year 1920-21.

Ordered, That the said Paper do lie upon the Table.
The Lords have agreed to the Amendments made by this House to the London and North Western Railway (Holyhead Harbour Leasing) Bill [Lords], without any Amendment.

The Lords have agreed to the Amendments made by this House to the Stock Conversion and Investment Trust Bill [Lords], without any Amendment.

The Lords have agreed to the Amendments made by this House to the De Trafford Estates Bill [Lords], without any Amendment.

The Lords have passed a Bill, intituled An Act to confirm a Provisional Order under the Private Legislation Procedure (Scotland) Act, 1899, relating to Glasgow University; to which the Lords desire the concurrence of this House.

Ordered, that the Amendments made by the Lords to the Ministry of Health Provisional Orders (No. 8) Bill be taken into consideration on Monday.

The Glasgow University (Dundonald Bur- sares) Order Confirmation Bill [Lords] was ordered (under Section 7 of the Private Legislation Procedure (Scotland) Act, 1899) to be taken into consideration to-morrow.

The House, according to Order, proceeded to take into consideration the Safeguarding of Shipbuilding and Shipbuilding Industries Bill, as amended in the Committee.

A Clause was offered to be added to the Bill (Exception for goods used in shipbuilding).—(Major Barnes.)

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 divided.

The Yeas to the Right:

Yeas, I Mr. George Thorpe; 81.

Tellers for the [Mr. George Thorpe; ] Mr. Thomas Shaw: [Mr. Thomas Shaw: ]

Tellers for the [Colonel Leslie Wilson; ] Mr. McCurdy: [Ms. McCurdy: ]

So it passed in the Negative.

Another Clause was offered to be added to Bill (Exemption of goods used for educational or scientific purposes).—(Captain Wodehouse.)

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;

And it being Seven of the clock, Mr. Speaker proceeded, pursuant to the Order of the House of the 15th day of June last, to put forthwith the Question already proposed from the Chair.

And the Question being put, That the said Clause be read a second time;

The House divided.

The Yeas to the Right:

Yeas, I Mr. George Thorpe; 80.

Tellers for the [Mr. George Thorpe; ] Mr. Thomas Shaw: [Mr. Thomas Shaw: ]

Tellers for the [Colonel Leslie Wilson; ] Mr. McCurdy: [Ms. McCurdy: ]

So it passed in the Negative.
Mr. Speaker then proceeded, successively, to put forthwith the Questions on any Amendments moved by the Government of which notice had been given to that part of the Bill to be concluded at Seven of the clock at this day's sitting.

Then Amendments were made to the Bill.

Another Amendment was proposed to be made to the Bill, in p. 3, l. 12, by leaving out Clause 2.—(Mr. Lyle-Samuel.)

And the Question being put, That the word “If” stand part of the Bill; The House divided.

The Yeas to the Right; The Noes to the Left.

Tellers for the Yeas, Mr. Dudley Ward: 165.
Tellers for the Noes, Mr. Thomas Shaw: 63.

So 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 word “than,” the words “raw materials, machinery, and.”—(Captain Wedgwood Benn.)

And the Question being put, That those words be there inserted in the Bill; The House divided.

The Yeas to the Right; The Noes to the Left.

Tellers for the Yeas, Mr. George Thorne: 65.
Tellers for the Noes, Mr. Thomas Shaw: 63.

So 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 word “drinks,” the words “and for facilitating the settlement of questions of wages and conditions of employment in connection with such railways;” — (Mr. Solicitor General for Ireland), and, as amended, agreed to.

Resolved, That it is expedient to make provision for the payment, out of moneys to be provided by Parliament, of a sum of three million pounds in satisfaction of claims which might have been made by railway companies in Ireland for compensation under the Regulation of the Forces Act, 1871, or the Ministry of Transport Act, 1919, or otherwise arising out of, or in respect of, the possession by the Crown of the undertakings, railroads, or plant of such railway companies, or in the exercise of the powers conferred by those Acts, and for the distribution free of income tax of that sum and any interest thereon amongst the companies, and for the continuance of a clause in the agreement between the Government and those companies, and for purposes incidental to the matters aforesaid.—(Mr. Hilton Young.)

Question amended, in l. 10, by inserting, after the word “companies,” the words “and for facilitating the settlement of questions of wages and conditions of employment in connection with such railways;” — (Mr. Solicitor General for Ireland), and, as amended, agreed to.

Ordered, That the Report be received to-morrow.

The Land Settlement Amendment Bill was, Land according to Order, read the third time and passed.

Ordered, That the Clerk do carry the Bill to Mr. Speaker's the Lords, and desire their concurrence (the Bill Certificate, 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. JOHN HENRY WHITLEY, Speaker).

The Admiralty Pensions Bill was, according Admissibility to Order, read the third time and passed.

Ordered, That the Clerk do carry the Bill to Mr. Speaker's the Lords, and desire their concurrence (the Bill Certificate, 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. JOHN HENRY WHITLEY, Speaker).
12 Geo. V. 10th August.

Ordered, That the Debate be further adjourned till to-morrow.

The Order of the day being read, for the Public Works Committee on the Public Works Loans Bill; 

Resolved, That this House will, to-morrow, resolve itself into the said Committee.

The Order of the day being read, for the Supreme Court Committee on the Supreme Court Officers (Retirement, Pensions, &c.) Bill; 

Resolved, That this House will, to-morrow, resolve itself into the said Committee.

The Order of the day being read, for the Expiring Laws Continuance Bill; 

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time to-morrow.

The Order of the day being read, for the Government Second Reading of the Government of Burma Bill [Lords]; 

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time to-morrow.

The Order of the day being read, for the Law of Property Bill [Lords]; 

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time to-morrow.

A Motion being made, That this House will, to-morrow, resolve itself into a Committee to consider of authorising the remission of certain debts in pursuance of any Act of the present Session relating to local loans—(Colonel Leslie Wilson);

Mr. Austen Chamberlain, by His Majesty's Command, acquainted the House, That His Majesty, having been informed of the subject-matter of this Motion, recommends it to the consideration of the House.

Resolved, That this House will, to-morrow, resolve itself into the said Committee.

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 any allowances and other sums which may become payable under any Act of the present Session, to make further provision with respect to the appointment, conditions of service, and pensions of certain officers of the Supreme Court in England—(Colonel Leslie Wilson);

Mr. Austen Chamberlain, by His Majesty's Command, acquainted the House, That His Majesty, having been informed of the subject-matter of this Motion, recommends it to the consideration of the House.

Resolved, That this House will, to-morrow, resolve itself into the said Committee.

Whereupon Mr. Deputy Speaker adjourned Adjournment, the House without Question put, pursuant to the Order of the House of the 26th day of July last, it being then twenty-nine minutes before Twelve of the clock, till to-morrow.
The House, pursuant to Order, proceeded to take into consideration the Glasgow University (Dundonald Bursaries) Order Confirmation Bill [Lords]; Ordered, That the Bill be read the third time to-morrow.

The Stirlingshire and Falkirk Water Order Confirmation Bill was, according to Order, read a second time; and ordered to be taken into consideration to-morrow.

Mr. Munro presented a Bill to confirm a Provisional Order under the Private Legislation Procedure (Scotland) Act, 1889, relating to North British Railway (Burntisland Harbour Transfer): And the same was ordered (under Section 7 of the Act) to be taken into consideration to-morrow.

Mr. Munro presented a Bill to confirm a Provisional Order under the Private Legislation Procedure (Scotland) Act, 1889, relating to Dunbarton Burgh (Water): 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 Borough of Westminster (Abbey Division), in the room of the Right Honourable William Lehman Ashmead-Bartlett Burdett-Coutts deceased.—(Colonel Leslie Wilson.)

A Public Petition was presented, and read; and ordered to lie upon the Table.

Mr. Bridgeman presented, by His Majesty’s Command,—Copy of Statistical Summary of Output, and of the Cost of Production, Proceeds, and Profits of the Coal Mining Industry as a whole, and for the various districts, in respect of the three months ended 31st March 1921.

Ordered, That the said Paper do lie upon the Table.

Mr. Pratt presented, pursuant to the directions Registration of several Acts of Parliament,—Copy of the Registration of Births, Deaths, and Marriages (Scotland) Act 1854, under the Registration of Births, Deaths, and Marriages (Scotland) Act, 1854. Copy of Scheme under the War Charities Act 1919, for the application of the funds or property of Lord Eglinton’s Special War Relief Fund.

Ordered, That the said Papers do lie upon the Table.

Sir Hamar Greenwood presented, pursuant to Notice, to the House, according to Order, proceeded to take into consideration the amendments made by the Lords to the Ministry of Health Provisional Orders (No. 8) Bill; and the same were twice read, and agreed to.

Ordered, That the said Papers do lie upon the Table.
Mr. Hilton Young presented, by His Majesty's Command, — Copy of Memorandum on Expenditure likely to be incurred under the Exchequer and Audit Departments Bill.

Ordered, That the said Paper do lie upon the Table.

Mr. Baldwin presented, by His Majesty's Command, — Copy of Draft of Special Order proposed to be made by the Board of Trade under the Gas Regulation Act, 1920, on the application of the Thurstonland Urban District Council.

Ordered, That the said Paper do lie upon the Table.

Sir Alfred Mond presented, pursuant to the directions of an Act of Parliament, — Copy of Regulations, dated 10th August 1921, made by the National Health Insurance Joint Committee, entitled the National Health Insurance (Arrears) Regulations, 1921.

Ordered, That the said Paper do lie upon the Table.

Mr. Rendall reported from Standing Committee C on the Telegraph (Money) Bill, that they had gone through the Bill, and had directed him to report the same, without Amendment, to the House.

No. 213.

Ordered, That the Report do lie upon the Table; and be printed.

Ordered, That the Minutes of the Proceedings of the Standing Committee be printed.

Ordered, That the Bill, not amended in the Standing Committee, be taken into consideration to-morrow.

Brigadier-General Colvin reported from the Select Committee on Performing Animals, that they had taken Evidence on the matters to them referred, and directed him to report the same to the House, with a Recommendation that a Committee be appointed in the next Session of Parliament to continue the Inquiry.

Ordered, That the Report do lie upon the Table; and be printed.

Sir Henry Craik reported from the Select Committee on Divorce Bills; that they had examined the allegations of Adamson's Divorce Bill [Lords] as to the marriage of the parties, the adultery, coupled with cruelty, charged as the ground for dissolving the marriage, and the sentence of divorce, a mens et thoro, in the Probate 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 Adamson's Divorce Bill [Lords] and Hamilton's Divorce Bill [Lords] together with the documents deposited in those cases, be returned to the House of Lords;—(Sir Henry Craik.)

Sir Halford Mackinder reported from the Standing Committee on Scottish Bills, to whom the Trusts (Scotland) Bill [Lords] was referred; that they had gone through the Bill, and had directed him to report the same without Amendment to the House.

Ordered, That the Report do lie upon the Table; and be printed.

Ordered, That the Minutes of the Proceedings of the Standing Committee be printed.

Ordered, That the Bill, not amended in the Standing Committee, be taken into consideration to-morrow.

Sir Halford Mackinder reported from the Standing Committee on Scottish Bills, to whom the Criminal Procedure (Scotland) Bill [Lords] was referred; that they had gone through the Bill, and had directed him to report the same without Amendment, to the House.

Ordered, That the Report do lie upon the Table; and be printed.

Ordered, That the Minutes of the Proceedings of the Standing Committee be printed.

Ordered, That the Bill, not amended in the Standing Committee, be taken into consideration to-morrow.

Mr. Speaker acquainted the House, That a Message from the Lords had been brought from the Lords by one of their Clerks, as followeth:

The Lords have agreed to the Manchester (Police, &c.) Provisional Order Bill, without any Amendment.

The Lords have agreed to the Pier and Harbour Provisional Orders (No. 1) Bill, without any Amendment.

The Lords have agreed to the Nuneaton Corporation Bill, with Amendments; to which the Lords desire the concurrence of this House.

The Lords have agreed to the Burnley Corporation Bill, with Amendments; to which the Lords desire the concurrence of this House.

The Lords have agreed to the Wigan 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 Rhyllmen Valley Water Board Bill [Lords], without any Amendment.

The Lords have agreed to the Amendments made by this House to the South Essex Waterworks Bill [Lords], without any Amendment.

The Lords have agreed to the Amendments made by this House to the Hastings Tramways Bill [Lords], without any Amendment.

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Colonel Archer-Shee reported from the Select Committee on Publications and Debates Reports:

That they had considered the matters to them referred, and directed him to make a Report thereof to the House, together with the Minutes of the Evidence taken before them, and Appendices.

Ordered, That the Report do lie upon the Table; and be printed.

Ordered, That the Children of Unmarried Parents Bill, as amended in the Standing Committee, be taken into consideration to-morrow.

The House, according to Order, proceeded to take into further consideration the Safeguarding of Industries Bill, as amended in the Standing Committee.

Another Amendment was proposed to be made to the Bill, in p. 3, l. 15, by inserting, after the word "Kingdom," the words "not being a country allied or associated with the United Kingdom during the war."—(Mr. Lyle-Samuel.)

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 (Colonel Penry Williams): Yes, (Mr. Hogge: 59.

Tellers for the (Colonel Leslie Wilson): Noes, (Mr. McCurdy: 169.

So it passed in the Negative.

Another Amendment was proposed to be made to the Bill, in p. 3, l. 20, by leaving out paragraph (b).—(Captain Wedgwood Benn.)

And the Question being put, That the words proposed to be left out stand part of the Bill:

And it being Seven of the clock, Mr. Speaker proceeded, pursuant to the Order of the House of the 13th day of June last, to put forthwith the Question on the Amendment already proposed from the Chair.

And the Question being put, That the words proposed to be left out stand part of the Bill:

The House divided.

The Yeas to the Right;

The Noes to the Left.

Tellers for the (Colonel Leslie Wilson): Yes, (Mr. McCurdy: 204.

Tellers for the Mr. Hogge,

Noes, (Lord Eustace Percy: 90.

So it was passed in the Affirmative.

Mr. Speaker then proceeded, successively, to put forthwith the Questions on any Amendments moved by the Government of which notice had been given to that part of the Bill to be concluded at Seven of the clock at this day's sitting.

Another Amendment was proposed to be made to the Bill, in p. 3, l. 37, by inserting, at the end thereof, the words—

"(2) The Board, on referring any such matter to a committee, may direct that the committee shall report also on the effect which the imposition of a duty under this Part of this Act on goods of any particular class or description would exert on employment in any other industry being an industry using goods of that class or description as material."—(Mr. Baldwin.)

And the Question being proposed, That the Amendment be made:

The proposed Amendment was amended, in l. 1, by leaving out the word "may" and inserting the word "shall,"—(Mr. Baldwin)—instead thereof.

And the Question being put, That the Amendment—

"(2) The Board, on referring any such matter to a committee, shall direct that the committee shall report also on the effect which the imposition of a duty under this Part of this Act on goods of any particular class or description would exert on employment in any other industry being an industry using goods of that class or description as material" be made.—It was resolved in the Affirmative.

Then another Amendments were made to the Bill.

Another Amendment was proposed to be made to the Bill, in p. 9, l. 15, by inserting, after the word "Kingdom," the words "or have been used as raw material for the manufacture of goods which have been exported from the United Kingdom."—(Lieutenant-Commander Kenworthy.)

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. Hogge, Yes, (Colonel Penry Williams:) 55.

Tellers for the (Colonel Leslie Wilson: Noes, (Mr. Dudley Ward: 129.

So it passed in the Negative.

Another Amendment was proposed to be made to the Bill, in p. 9, l. 26, by leaving out Clause 14. (Mr. Baldwin.)

And the Question being proposed, That the words proposed to be left out stand part of the Bill:

And after a brief explanatory statement from the Minister in charge of the Bill and from a Speaker put the Question forthwith, pursuant to the Order of the House of the 13th day of June last.

And the Question being put, That the words proposed to be left out stand part of the Bill:

It was passed in the Negative.

Another Amendment was proposed to be made to the Bill, in p. 10, l. 18, by leaving out the words "Part I. of."—(Mr. Hayward.)

And the Question being put, That the words proposed to be left out stand part of the Bill:

The House divided.

The Yeas to the Right;

The Noes to the Left.

Tellers for the (Colonel Leslie Wilson), Yes, (Mr. Dudley Ward: 125.

Tellers for the Mr. Hogge,

Noes, (Mr. Thomas Shaw: 54.

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. 11, by leaving out Is. 3 to 5, inclusive.—(Mr. Aneurin Williams.)

And the Question being put, That the words proposed to be left out stand part of the Bill;
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The House divided.

The Yeas to the Right:
The Noes to the Left.

Tellers for the Yeas: Mr. Dudley Ward: 170.
Mr. George Thorne: 61.

Tellers for the Noes: Colonel Penny: 61.

So it was resolved in the Affirmative.

Ordered, That the Bill be read the third time to-morrow.

Colonel Leslie Wilson reported from the Committee on Irish Railways (Settlement of Claims), a Resolution; which was read, as followeth:

That it is expedient to make provision for the payment, out of moneys to be provided by Parliament, of a sum of three million pounds in satisfaction of claims which might have been made by railway companies in Ireland for compensation under the Regulation of Forces Act, 1871, or the Ministry of Transport Act, 1919, or otherwise arising out of, or in respect of, the possession by the Crown of the undertakings, railways, or plant of such railway companies, or in the exercise of the powers conferred by those Acts, and for the distribution free of income tax of that sum and any interest thereon amongst the companies, and for the continuance of a clause in the agreement between the Government and those companies, and for facilitating the settlement of questions of wages and conditions of employment in connection with such railways, and for purposes incidental to the matters aforesaid.

The said Resolution, being read a second time, was agreed to.

Ordered, That a Bill be brought in upon the 5th day of this instant August, That the Exchequer and Audit Departments Bill be now read a second time; and that he was directed to move, That the Chairman do report Progress, and ask leave to sit again.—(Sir Frederick Banbury), put, and agreed to.

Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair; and the 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 resuming the adjourned Debate on the Question proposed upon the 4th day of this instant August, That the Bill, the Exchequer and Audit Departments Bill be now read a second time; and that the Question being again proposed.—The House resumed the said adjourned Debate.

And the House having continued to sit till after Twelve of the clock on Friday morning:

Friday, 12th August 1921:
And the Question being put:
Ordered, That the Bill be now read a second time.

Ordered, That the Bill be committed to a Committee of the whole House for this day.—(Mr. Hilton Young.)

The Expiring Laws Continuance Bill was, Expiring Laws Continuance Bill according to Order, read a second time.

Ordered, That the Bill be committed to a Committee of the whole House for Monday next.—(Colonel Leslie Wilson.)

The House, according to Order, resolved itself into a Committee on Public Works Loans [Re- mission of Debts].

(In the Committee.)

The House, according to Order, resolved itself into a Committee on the Education (Consolidation) Bill [Lords].

(In the Committee.)

Clause No. 1. (Central Authority).

Question proposed, That the Clause stand part of the Bill:
Whereupon Motion made, and Question, That the Chairman do report Progress, and ask leave to sit again.—(Sir Frederick Banbury), put, and agreed to.

Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair; and the 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 resuming the adjourned Debate on the Question proposed upon the 4th day of this instant August, That the Bill, the Exchequer and Audit Departments Bill be now read a second time; and that the Question being again proposed.—The House resumed the said adjourned Debate.

And the House having continued to sit till after Twelve of the clock on Friday morning:

Friday, 12th August 1921:
And the Question being put:
Ordered, That the Bill be now read a second time.

Ordered, That the Bill be committed to a Committee of the whole House for this day.—(Mr. Hilton Young.)

The Expiring Laws Continuance Bill was, Expiring Laws Continuance Bill according to Order, read a second time.

Ordered, That the Bill be committed to a Committee of the whole House for Monday next.—(Colonel Leslie Wilson.)

The House, according to Order, resolved itself into a Committee on Public Works Loans [Re- mission of Debts].

(In the Committee.)

Resolved, That it is expedient to authorise the remission of arrears of principal and interest due to the Public Works Loan Commissioners in respect of Emsworth Harbour, in pursuance of any Act of the present Session relating to Local Loans.—(Mr. Hilton Young.)

Resolution to be reported.

Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair; and the Chairman of Ways and Means reported, That the Committee had come to a Resolution.

Ordered, That the Report be received this day.
The House, according to Order, resolved itself into a Committee on Supreme Court Officers (Retirement, Pensions, &c.) [Allowances].

(In the Committee.)

Resolved, That it is expedient to authorise the payment, out of moneys provided by Parliament, of any allowances payable or other payments to be made by virtue of any Act of the present Session to make further provision with respect to the appointment, conditions of service, and pensions of certain officers of the Supreme Court in England, and to authorise the abolition of certain offices therein, and for purposes connected therewith.—(Mr. Hilton Young.)

Resolution to be reported.

Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair; and the Chairman of Ways and Means reported, That the Committee had come to a Resolution.

Ordered, That the Report be received this day.

The Order of the day being read, for taking into consideration His Majesty's Message of the 30th day of May last, relative to the Emergency Powers Act, 1920;

Ordered, That the said Order be discharged.

The Order of the day being read, for resuming the adjourned Debate on the Question proposed upon the 28th day of June last, That the Summer Time Bill be now read a second time;

Ordered, That the said Order be discharged.

The Order of the day being read, for taking into further consideration the Guardianship &c., of Infants Bill, as amended in the Standing Committee;

Ordered, That the Bill be taken into further consideration upon Monday next.

The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Consolidated Fund ( Appropriation) Bill;

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time upon Monday next.

The Order of the day being read, for the Committee on the Public Works Loans 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 Government of Burma Bill [Lords];

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time upon Monday next.

The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Law of Property Bill [Lords];

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 charge on the Consolidated Fund of an annual salary of three thousand pounds to the Comptroller and Auditor General in pursuance of any Act of the present Session to amend the Exchequer and Audit Departments Acts, 1868 and 1889, and the payment, out of moneys to be provided by Parliament, of such salaries as the Treasury may determine to such officers and servants as the Comptroller and Auditor General may appoint under such Act.—(Colonel Leslie Wilson.)

Mr. Secretary Shortt, 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 adjourned the House to the Lords; and acquaint them that this House hath agreed to the Amendments made by their Lordships.

The House, pursuant to the Order of the House of the 10th day of this instant August, Corporation Bill: And the same were twice read, and agreed to.

Ordered, That the Clerk do carry the Bill to the Lords; and acquaint them that this House hath agreed to the Amendments made by their Lordships.

The House, pursuant to the Order of the Nuneaton House of the 10th day of this instant August, Corporation Bill: And the same were twice read, and agreed to.

Ordered, That the Clerk do carry the Bill to the Lords; and acquaint them that this House hath agreed to the Amendments made by their Lordships.

The House, pursuant to the Order of the Burnley Corporation Bill: And the same were twice read, and agreed to.

Ordered, That the Clerk do carry the Bill to the Lords; and acquaint them that this House hath agreed to the Amendments made by their Lordships.

The House, pursuant to the Order of the Wigan 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 Glasgow University (Dundonald Bur- gates) Order Confirmation Bill [Lords] was, according to Order, read the third time and passed.

[No. 119.]

Friday, 12th August 1921.

The House met at Eleven of the clock.

PRAYERS.

THE House, pursuant to the Order of the Burnley House of the 10th day of this instant August, Corporation Bill, proceeded to take into consideration the Amendments made by the Lords to the Burnley Corporation Bill: And the same were twice read, and agreed to.

Ordered, That the Clerk do carry the Bill to the Lords; and acquaint them that this House hath agreed to the Amendments made by their Lordships.

The House, pursuant to the Order of the Nuneaton House of the 10th day of this instant August, Corporation Bill: And the same were twice read, and agreed to.

Ordered, That the Clerk do carry the Bill to the Lords; and acquaint them that this House hath agreed to the Amendments made by their Lordships.

The House, pursuant to the Order of the Burnley 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 Glasgow University (Dundonald Bur- gates) Order Confirmation Bill [Lords] was, according to Order, read the third time and passed.
Ordered, That the Clerk do carry the Bill to the Lords; and acquaint them that this House hath agreed to the same, without Amendment.

Dumbarton Burgh (Water) Order Confirmation Bill.

The House, according to Order, proceeded to take into consideration the Dumbarton Burgh (Water) Order Confirmation Bill.

Ordered, That the Bill be read the third time upon Monday next.

North British Railway (Burntisland Harbour Transfer) Order Confirmation Bill.

The House, according to Order, proceeded to take into consideration the North British Railway (Burntisland Harbour Transfer) Order Confirmation Bill;

Ordered, That the Bill be read the third time upon Monday next.

Stirlingshire and Falkirk Water Order Confirmation Bill.

The House, according to Order, proceeded to take into consideration the Stirlingshire and Falkirk Water Order Confirmation Bill;

Ordered, That the Bill be read the third time upon Monday next.

Airdrie and Coatbridge Tramways Trust Order Confirmation Bill.

Mr. Munro presented a Bill to confirm a Provisional Order under the Private Legislation Procedure (Scotland) Act, 1899, relating to Airdrie and Coatbridge Tramways Trust: And the same was ordered (under Section 7 of the Act) to be taken into consideration upon Monday next.

Several Public Petitions were presented, and read; and ordered to lie upon the Table.

Mr. Baldwin presented, pursuant to the directions of an Act of Parliament,—Copy of Abstract of Returns relating to Pilots in the United Kingdom for the year 1899.

Ordered, That the said Paper do lie upon the Table; and be printed.

National Health Insurance (Scotland) (Regulations) Regulations of the Board of Health, entitled the National Health Insurance (Panel and Pharmaceutical Committees) Regulations (Scotland), 1921.

Ordered, That the said Paper do lie upon the Table.

Rosina (No. 3, 1921.)

Mr. Cecil Harmsworth presented, by His Majesty's Command,—Copy of Correspondence between His Majesty's Government and the French Government respecting the Anglo-Russian Trade Agreement.

Ordered, That the said Paper do lie upon the Table.

Public Works (Ireland.)

Mr. Hilton Young presented, by His Majesty's Command,—Copy of Eighty-ninth Annual Report of the Commissioners of Public Works in Ireland, with Appendices, for the year ended 31st March 1921.

Ordered, That the said Paper do lie upon the Table.

Pacific Cable Act, 1901, No. 219.

Mr. Hilton Young also presented, pursuant to the directions of several Acts of Parliament,—Account showing the Money issued from the Consolidated Fund under the provisions of the Pacific Cable Act, 1901, and of the Money received, expended, and borrowed, and Securities created under the said Act, to the 31st March 1921; together with a Copy of the Report of the Pacific Cable Board.

Development Commissioners, No. 220.  


Ordered, That the said Papers do lie upon the Table; and that the Papers relative to Pacific Cable Act, 1901, and Development Commission, be printed.

Sir Arthur Griffith-Boscawen presented, pursuant to the directions of an Act of Parliament,—Copy of Order under the Diseases of Animals Acts, dated 8th August, 1921, authorising the landing of two Deer in the Port of Liverpool.

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 1919, furnished to the Central Office for the Registry of Friendly Societies.

Ordered, That there be laid before this House a Return of the Draft Provisional Orders under the Private Legislation Procedure (Scotland) Act, 1899, which in the Session Act, 1899, of 1921 have been reported on by Commissioners; together with the names of the Commissioners; the first and also the last day of the sittings of each group; the number of days on which each body of Commissioners has served; the number of days occupied by each Draft Provisional Order before Commissioners; the Draft Provisional Orders the Preambles of which were reported to have been proved; and the Draft Provisional Orders the Preambles of which were reported to have been not proved.

And also a Statement showing how all Draft Provisional Orders of the Session of 1921 have been dealt with.—(Mr. Munro.)

Resolved, That this House, at its rising this Adjournment, do adjourn till Monday next.—(Colonel Leslie Wilson.)

The Order of the day being read, for the Safeguarding of Industries Third Reading of the Safeguarding of Industries Bill;

And a Motion being made, and the Question being proposed, That the Bill be now read the third time;

An Amendment was proposed to be made to the Question, by leaving out the word "now," and, at the end of the Question, adding the words "upon this day three months."—(Mr. Asquith.)

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—Colonel Leslie Wilson, 176; Mr. Dudley Ward, 54.

Tellers for the Noes—Mr. George Thorold, 176; Mr. Arthur Henderson.

So it was resolved in the Affirmative.

The Bill was read the third time and passed.

Ordered, That the Clerk do carry the Bill to Mr. Speaker's Table; and desire their concurrence (the Bill Certificate having been endorsed by Mr. Speaker with the following Certificate:—)

I hereby certify that this Bill is a Money Bill within the meaning of the Parliament Act, 1911.

John Henry Whitley, Speaker.
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 Zion Congregational Chapel (Frampton Cotterell) Charity Bill, without any Amendment.

The Lords have agreed to the Metropolitan Water Board (Charges) Bill.

The Lords have agreed to the Corn Production Acts (Repeal) Bill, with Amendments; to which the Lords desire the concurrence of this House.

The Lords have agreed to the Amendment made by this House to the William Hancock Bills, without any Amendment.

The Lords have agreed to the Amendments made by this House to the Slough Trading Company, Limited (Canal) Bill [Lords], without any Amendment.

Ordered, That the Amendments made by the Lords to the Corn Production Acts (Repeal) Bill be taken into consideration upon Monday next; and be printed.

Ordered, That the Amendments made by the Lords to the Ministry of Health Provisional Order (Barnsley Extension) Bill, with Amendments; to which the Lords desire the concurrence of this House.

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time upon Monday next.

Ordered, That this House will, upon Monday next, receive itself into the said Committee.

The Order of the day being read, for the Irish Railways (Settlement of Claims) Bill.

Ordered, That this House will, upon Monday next, receive itself into the said Committee.

The Order of the day being read, for the Education (Consolidation) Bill [Lords].

Ordered, That this House will, upon Monday next, receive itself into the said Committee.

Whereupon Mr. Speaker adjourned the Adjournment, House without Question put, pursuant to Standing Order No. 5, in being then nine minutes after Four of the clock, till Monday next, pursuant to the Resolution of the House of this day.
Monday, 15th August 1921.

The House met at a quarter of an hour before Three of the clock.

PRAYERS.

Ordered, That the Amendments made by the Lords to the Batley Corporation Bill be taken into consideration to-morrow.

Adamsen'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.

Hamilton's Divorce Bill [Lords] was read the third time and passed.

Ordered, That the Clerk do carry the Bill to the Lords; and acquaint them that this House hath agreed to the same, without Amendment.

The Rhymney and Aber Valleys Gas and Water Bill [Lords] was read the third time and passed.

Ordered, That the Clerk do carry the Bill to the Lords; and acquaint them that this House hath agreed to the same, without Amendment.

The House, according to Order, proceeded to take into consideration the Amendments made by the Lords to the Ministry of Health Provisional Order (Barnsley Extension) Bill; and the same were twice read, and agreed to.

Ordered, That the Clerk do carry the Bill to the Lords; and acquaint them that this House hath agreed to the same, without Amendment.

The Dumbarton Burgh (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.

The North British Railway (Burraiskil Harbour Transfer) Order Confirmation Bill was, according to Order, read the third time and passed.

Ordered, That the Clerk do carry the Bill to the Lords, and desire their concurrence.

The Stirlingshire and Falkirk 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.

The House, according to Order, proceeded to take into consideration the Airdrie and Coatbridge Tramways Trust Order Confirmation Bill.

Ordered, That the Bill be read the third time to-morrow.

Mr. Munro presented a Bill to confirm a Provisional Order (Scotland) Act, 1899, relating to Grangemouth and Stirling Water; 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.

The Prime Minister presented, by His Majesty's Command,—Copy of Correspondence relating to the proposals of His Majesty's Government for an Irish Settlement, 20th July to 18th August 1921.

Ordered, That the said Paper do lie upon the Table.

Mr. Secretary Shortt 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:—

Borough of Warrington.

County of Lancaster (Clayton-le-Moors, Oswaldtwistle, and Church Urban Districts).

Ordered, That the said Paper do lie upon the Table.

Mr. Baldwin presented, by His Majesty's Gas Regulation Command,—Copy of Draft of Special Order Act, 1920, proposed to be made by the Board of Trade under the Gas Regulation Act, 1920, on the application of the Spenborough Urban District Council.

Ordered, That the said Paper do lie upon the Table.


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Mr. Hilton Young presented, by His Majesty's Civil Service Command,—Copy of Sixty-fifth Report of His Commission, Majesty's Civil Service Commissioners.

Ordered, That the said Paper do lie upon the Table.

Mr. Amery presented, pursuant to the direct Naval Princ utions of an Act of Parliament,—Account showing the Receipts and Payments in respect of the proceeds of condemned Vessels and goods declared payable to the Naval Prize Fund during the year ended 31st March 1921.

Ordered, That the said Paper do lie upon the Table.

Sir Arthur Griffith-Holncass presented, by Ministry of His Majesty's Command,—Copy of Annual Agriculture and Fisheries, Report by the Ministry of Agriculture and Fisheries of Proceedings under the Small Holdings and Allotments Acts, for the year 1920, Part II., Allotments.

Ordered, That the said Paper do lie upon the Table.

Mr. Secretary Churchill presented, by His Secretary of State for the Colonies to consider certain questions relating to Rhodesia.

Copy of Report of a Committee on Research Colonies in the Colonies appointed by the Secretary of Resident, State for the Colonies.

Ordered, That the said Papers do lie upon the Table.
Mr. Keelson presented, pursuant to the directions of an Act of Parliament,—Copy of the Money Order Amendment (No. 10) Regulations, 1921, dated 7th July 1921.

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 Seventh Annual Report of the Board of Control under the Lunacy and Mental Deficiency Acts, for the year 1920.

Ordered, That the said Paper be printed.

Sir William Middlebrook reported from the Local Legislation Committee; That in the case of the Manchester Corporation (General Powers) (re-committed) Bill (Lords) the Committee had, in pursuance of the Orders of the House of the 11th day of this instant August, namely:—That the Bill be re-committed to the former Committee in respect of Clause 61, and That it be an Instruction to the Committee on the re-committed Bill, that they strike out Clause 61, further considered the Bill, and had, in pursuance of the Instruction of the House, struck out Clause 61.

Ordered, That the Report do lie upon the Table; and be printed.

Mr. Speaker acquainted the House, That a Message had been brought from the Lords by one of their Clerks, as follows:

The Lords have agreed to the Land Settlement Amendment Bill, without any Amendment.

The Lords have agreed to the Water Undertakings (Modification of Charges) Bill, without any Amendment.

The Lords have agreed to the Territorial Army and Militia Bill, without any Amendment.

The Lords have agreed to the Salmon and Freshwater Fisheries Bill, without any Amendment.

The Lords have agreed to the Admiralty Pensions Bill, without any Amendment.

The Lords have agreed to the Isle of Man (Customs) Bill, without any Amendment.

The Lords have agreed to the Greenwich Hospital Bill, without any Amendment.

The Lords have agreed to the Duchy of Lancaster (Application of Capital Moneys) Bill, without any Amendment.

The Lords have agreed to the War Pensions Bill, with Amendments; to which the Lords desire the concurrence of this House.

The Lords have agreed to the Land Settlement Amendment Bill ( Lords), and disagree with two of the Amendments, for which disagreement they assign Reasons.

Ordered, That the Amendments made by the Lords to the Licensing (No. 2) Bill be taken into consideration to-morrow; and be printed. Bill 210.

Ordered, That the Amendments made by the Lords to the Licensing (No. 2) Bill be taken into consideration to-morrow; and be printed. Bill 209.

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Ordered, That the Amendments made by the Lords to the Pilotage Provisional Orders (No. 5) Bill be taken into consideration to-morrow.

Ordered, That the Amendments made by the Lords to the Pilotage Provisional Orders (No. 5) Bill be taken into consideration to-morrow.

Ordered, That the Bill be committed to a Committee of the whole House for to-morrow. 

—(Colonel Leslie Wilton.)

The House, according to Order, resolved itself into a Committee on the Expiring Laws Continuance Bill.

(Committed.)

Clauses No. 1 and No. 2 agreed to. Schedule. Amendment proposed, in p. 8, to leave out lines 9 to 11 inclusive.—(Lieutenant-Commander Kemworthy.)

15th August, 1921.

The Lords have agreed to the Ministry of Health Provisional Orders (Aberavon and Neath Extention) Bill, with Amendments; to which the Lords desire the concurrence of this House.

The Lords have agreed to the Ministry of Health Provisional Order (Stoke-on-Trent Extension) Bill, with Amendments; to which the Lords desire the concurrence of this House.

The Lords have agreed to the Pilotage Provisional Orders (No. 5) Bill, with Amendments; to which the Lords desire the concurrence of this House.

The Lords have agreed to the Ministry of Health Provisional Orders (Aberavon and Neath Extention) Bill, with Amendments; to which the Lords desire the concurrence of this House.

The Lords have agreed to the Ministry of Health Provisional Order (Stoke-on-Trent Extension) Bill, with Amendments; to which the Lords desire the concurrence of this House.

The Lords have agreed to the Pilotage Provisional Orders (No. 5) Bill, with Amendments; to which the Lords desire the concurrence of this House.
Question proposed, That the words proposed to be left out stand part of the Schedule:—Amendment, by leave, withdrawn.

Another Amendment proposed, in p. 8, to leave out l. 13 to l. 15 inclusive.—(Sir Frederick Bonebury.)

Question proposed, That the words proposed to be left out stand part of the Schedule:—Amendment, by leave, withdrawn.

Another Amendment proposed, in p. 8, l. 13, after the word "Act," to insert the words "Except the words in Schedule, Part I., paragraph 4. "Refreshments shall not be deemed to include sweets, chocolate, or other sugar confectionery or ice cream."—(Mr. Aneurin Williams.)

Question proposed, That those words be there inserted:—Amendment, by leave, withdrawn.

An Amendment made.

Schedule, as amended, agreed to.

Preamble agreed to.

Bill, as amended, to be reported.

Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair; and the Chairman of Ways and Means reported, That the Committee had gone through the Bill.

Ordered, That the Bill, as amended in the Committee, be taken into consideration tomorrow.

The House, according to Order, proceeded to take into consideration the Amendments made by the Lords to the Corn Production Acts (Repeal) Bill.

The Lords' Amendments, as far as the Amendment in p. 3, l. 14, being read a second time, were agreed to.

The Lords' Amendment in p. 3, l. 14, leave out ("or conditions of employment"), and insert ("of labour"), 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.—(Sir Arthur Griffith-Boscawen) ;—It passed in the Negative.

Then the subsequent Lords' Amendments, as far as the Amendment in p. 3, l. 35, being read a second time, were agreed to.

The Lords' Amendment in p. 3, l. 35, after ("nominated"), insert ("an organisation by which any person who is a member of a district wages committee at the date of the passing of this Act was nominated as such, may at any time before the first day of November, nineteen hundred and twenty-one, appoint another person to act in the place of that person as a member of the joint conciliation committee"), the next Amendment, being read a second time, was amended, in l. 5, by leaving out the word "November," and inserting the word "December,"—(Sir Arthur Griffith-Boscawen),—instead thereof, and, so amended, was agreed to.

Then the subsequent Lords' Amendments, as far as the Amendment in p. 4, l. 25, being read a second time, were agreed to.

The Lords' Amendment in p. 4, l. 23, at end, insert ("provided that wages shall not be recoverable under this subsection unless proceedings for such recovery shall have been commenced before the expiration of three months after the date when the wages became due or in respect of a period exceeding six weeks"), the next Amendment, being read a second time;

An Amendment was proposed to be made to the Lords' Amendment, in l. 4, by leaving out the word "three," and inserting the word "six,"—(Mr. Roger),—instead thereof.

And the Question being proposed, That the word "three" stand part of the Lords' Amendment:—The said proposed Amendment was, with leave of the House, withdrawn.

The Lords' Amendment was amended, in l. 5, by inserting, after the second word "the," the word "latest."—(Sir Arthur Griffith-Boscawen.)

Another Amendment was proposed to be made to the Lords' Amendment, so amended, in l. 5, by leaving out from the word "due," to the end of the Lords' Amendment, and adding the words "and that not more than six weeks' wages shall be so recoverable."—(Sir Arthur Griffith-Boscawen) ;—instead thereof.

And the Question being put, That the words proposed to be left out stand part of the Lords' Amendment, so amended:—It passed in the Negative.

And the Question being put, That those words be there added to the Lords' Amendment, so amended:—It passed in the Negative.

And the Lords' Amendment, so amended, was agreed to.

Then the subsequent Lords' Amendments, as far as the Amendment in p. 3, l. 18, being read a second time, were agreed to.

The Lords' Amendment in p. 5, l. 18, leave out ("or woodland"), 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:—(Sir Arthur Griffith-Boscawen):—It passed in the Negative.

The Lords' Amendment was amended, in l. 5, after Clause 5, insert Clause A (Repeal of s. 15 (1) of 10 & 11 Geo. V., c. 76), 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:—(Sir Arthur Griffith-Boscawen);—It passed in the Negative.

The House divided.

The Yeas to the Right;

The Noes to the Left.

Tellers for the (Colonel Leslie Wilson, | 182.
Yea, | Mr. McCurdy : | 37.
Noes, | Mr. George Thorne: | 128.

So it was resolved in the Affirmative.

The Lords' Amendment in p. 5, l. 19, after ("grounds"), insert ("but not woodland or woodland nurseries"), the next Amendment, being read a second time, was agreed to.

The Lords' Amendment in p. 5, after Clause 5, insert Clause A (Repeal of s. 15 (1) of 10 & 11 Geo. V., c. 76), 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:—(Sir Arthur Griffith-Boscawen);—It passed in the Negative.

The House divided.

The Yeas to the Right;

The Noes to the Left.

Tellers for the (Colonel Leslie Wilson, | 162.
Yea, | Mr. McCurdy : | 37.
Noes, | Major McKenzie Wood : | 182.

So it was resolved in the Affirmative.

The Lords' Amendment, in p. 5, l. 43, at end, insert the following Schedule:—

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SCHEDULE.

Provisions of the Corn Production Acts, 1917, and 1920, relating to the destruction of injurious weeds as continued in force.

(1) Where the Minister is satisfied that there are injurious weeds to which this Schedule applies growing upon any land he may serve the occupier of the land a notice in writing requiring him to cut down or destroy the weeds

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in the manner and within the time specified in
the notice.

(2) Where, under this Schedule, notice is
served on a tenant a copy of the notice shall at
the same time be served on the landlord.

(3) Where a notice has been served under
this Schedule on the occupier of any land re-
quiring him within a time specified in the notice
to cut down or destroy weeds and that person
unreasonably fails to comply with the require-
ments of the notice, he shall on summary con-
viction be liable, in respect of each offence, to
a fine not exceeding twenty pounds and to a fur-
ther fine not exceeding twenty shillings for every
day during which the default continues after con-
viction.

Provided that—

(a) Proceedings for an offence under this
paragraph shall not be instituted except by
the Minister; and

(b) The Minister shall be entitled to
execute any work specified in the notice
regarded as a civil debt from the person in default the reasonable
cost of executing such work in a proper
manner, and the right of instituting any
such proceedings shall not be prejudiced
by the fact that the Minister has executed
the work specified in the notice.

(4) Any person authorised in that behalf by
the Minister or by any body of persons exer-
cising any powers of the Minister on his behalf,
may, for the purpose of carrying this Schedule
into effect, on the production, if so required, of
his authority, enter on and inspect any land.
The occupier shall in all such cases be served
with notice of the time on which the inspection
is to take place.

If any person prevents or obstructs the entry
for the purpose of this Schedule upon any land
of any person authorised under this Schedule he
shall be liable on summary conviction to a fine
not exceeding twenty pounds.

(5) Every notice required to be served under
this Schedule on the occupier of any land may
either be served personally on him or sent by
registered post to or left at his usual place of
abode in the United Kingdom, and in case any
person on whom any such notice is to be served
is absent from the United Kingdom, and his
usual place of abode in the United Kingdom
after diligent inquiry be found, the notice may
be served by affixing a copy thereof on some
conspicuous part of the land.

(6) The Minister may authorise the agricul-
tural committee of any county or borough to
exercise on behalf of the Minister any of the
powers of the Minister under this Schedule.

(7) Any expenses incurred by the Minister
under this Schedule up to an amount approved
by the Treasury shall be defrayed out of the
money provided by Parliament.

(8) The injurious weeds to which this
Schedule applies are the following, that is to
say, Spear Thistle (Carduus L.) Curlew
Sparrow (Sparrow L.), Creeping or Field Thistle
(Carduus Arvensis L.), Curly Dock (Rumex
Crispus L.), Broad-leaved Dock (Rumex
Obrustifolius L.) and Rag
work (Seneceo Jacobson L.).

(9) In this Schedule the expression "owner"
includes a person entitled for his life or other
limited estate, and the expression "occupier"
means in the case of any public road the autho-
ritv by whom the road is being maintained and
in the case of unoccupied land the person entitled
to the occupation thereof.

(10) This Schedule shall apply to Scotland
with the following modifications:—

(i) The Board of Agriculture for Scotland
shall be substituted for the Minister of
Agriculture and Fisheries.

(ii) For reference to the Agricultural Com-
mittee of any county or borough there shall
be substituted a reference to the body of
persons constituted for any area under the
powers specified in paragraph (a) of the
proviso to section one of this Act.

(iii) The proviso requiring that proceedings
for an offence shall not be instituted except
by the Minister shall not apply.

(11) This Schedule shall not apply to Ire-
land "), the next Amendment, being read a second
time, was amended, in l. 1, by inserting after the
word "Minister," the words c Agriculture and
Fisheries (in this Schedule referred to as the
Minister."—(Sir Arthur Griffith-Boscawen.)

Another Amendment was proposed to be made
to the Lords' Amendment, so amended, in para-
graph (6), l. 1, by leaving out the words
"agricultural committee of any county or
borough," and inserting the words "the local
parish council,"—(Major Farquharson. )—instead
thereof.

And the Question being proposed, That the
words proposed to be left out stand part of the
Lords Amendment, so amended:—The said pro-
posed Amendment was, with leave of the House,
withdrawn.

And the Lords Amendment, so amended, was
agreed to.

Then the remaining Lords Amendment, being
read a second time, was agreed to.

Ordered, That a Committee be appointed to
draw up a Reason to be assigned to the Lords
for disagreeing to one of their Amendments to
the Bill.

And a Committee was nominated of Mr. Aeland,
Sir Arthur Griffith-Boscawen, Sir FitzRoy,
Mr. Royce, and Mr. Solicitor General.

Ordered, That Three be the quorum of the
Committee.—(Sir Arthur Griffith-Boscawen.)

And they are to withdraw immediately.

Resolved, That, in the opinion of this House, it grants
is desirable that the work proposed to be exe-
cuted in St. James'ss Park in connection with a
Memorial to the Brigade of Guards, to be erected
facing the Horse Guards Parade, should be pro-
ceeded with.—(Colonel Sir John Gilmour.)

The House, according to Order, proceeded to Telegraph
bill into consideration the Telegraph (Money) Bill,
not amended in the Standing Committee.

Ordered, That the Bill be read the third time
to-morrow.

The House, according to Order, proceeded to Trusts
to take into consideration the Trusts (Scotland) (Scotland)
Bill [Lords], not amended in the Standing
Committee.

Ordered, That the Bill be now read the third
time:—The Bill was accordingly read the third
time and passed.

Ordered, That the Clerk do carry the Bill to
the Lords; and acquaint them that this House
has agreed to the same, without Amendment.

The House, according to Order, proceeded to Criminal
bill into consideration the Criminal Procedure
(Scotland) Bill [Lords], not amended in the
Standing Committee.

Ordered, That the Bill be now read the third
time:—The Bill was accordingly read the third
time and passed.
Ordered, That the Clerk do carry the Bill to the Lords; and acquaint them that this House hath agreed to the same, without Amendment.

Mr. Hilton Young reported from the Committee on Public Works Loans [Remission of Debts], 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 Loan Commissioners in respect of Eyemouth 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.

Mr. Hilton Young reported from the Committee on Supreme Court Office (Retirement, Pensions, &c.) [Allowances], a Resolution, which was read, as follows:

That it is expedient to authorise the payment, out of moneys provided by Parliament, of any allowances or other payments to be made by virtue of any Act of the present Session to make further provision with respect to the appointment, conditions of service, and pensions of certain officers of the Supreme Court in England, and to authorise the abolition of certain offices therein, and for purposes connected therewith.

The said Resolution, being read a second time, was agreed to.

The House, according to Order, resolved itself into a Committee on Exchequer and Audit Departments [Salaries].

(In the Committee.)

Motion made, and Question proposed, That for the purposes of any Act of the present Session to amend the Exchequer and Audit Departments Acts, 1866 and 1889, it is expedient—

(1) To authorise the salary payable to the Comptroller and Auditor General to be increased as from the first day of March, nineteen hundred and twenty, from the sum of two thousand pounds per annum to the sum of three thousand pounds per annum, and to charge on the Consolidated Fund the increased salary so payable.

(2) To authorise the payment, out of moneys provided by Parliament, to any officers or servants appointed by the Comptroller and Auditor General of such salaries as the Treasury may determine. —(Mr. Hilton Young.)

Amendment proposed, in l. 4, to leave out the words "March, nineteen hundred and twenty," in order to insert the words "September, nineteen hundred and twenty-one."—(Mr. Marriott.)

Question put, That the words proposed to be left out stand part of the Question:

The Committee divided.

Tellers for the (Colonel Leslie Wilson), 135. - Mr. MeCordy.

Tellers for the (Mr. Marriott), 56. - Mr. Godfrey Locker. - Lampson.

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 tomorrow.

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The House, according to Order, resolved itself into a Committee on the Education (Consolidation) Bill [Lords].

(In the Committee.)

Clause No. 1 (Central Authority).

Question again proposed, That the Clause stand part of the Bill:

Whereupon Motion made, and Question proposed, That the Chairman do report Progress, and ask leave to sit again.—(Sir William Ryland and Hilton Young)—Motion, by leave, withdrawn.

Original Question put, and agreed to.

Clauses No. 2 to No. 28 agreed to.

Clause No. 29 (Conditions to be observed in respect of non-provided schools).

Amendment proposed, in p. 15, l. 31, to leave out from the word "instruction" to the word "and" in l. 37.—(Mr. Acland.)

Question proposed, That the words proposed to be left out stand part of the Clause:

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Question put, and agreed to.

Clause agreed to.

Clauses No. 30 to No. 172 agreed to.

Clause No. 173 amended, and agreed to.

Schedules agreed to.

Bill, as amended, to be reported.

Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair; and the Chairman of Ways and Means reported, That the Committee had gone through the Bill, and made Amendments thereunto.

Ordered, That the Bill, as amended, be taken into consideration this day.

Ordered, That the Clerk do carry the Bill to the Lords; and acquaint them that this House hath agreed to the same, with Amendments; to which this House doth desire the concurrence of their Lordships.

The Order of the day being read, for taking Children of Unmarried Parents Bill, as amended in the Standing Committee;

Ordered, That the Bill be taken into consideration this day.

The Order of the day being read, for taking Guardianship, &c., of Infants Bill, as amended in the Standing Committee;

Ordered, That the Bill be taken into further consideration this day.

The Order of the day being read, for the Consolidated Fund (Appropriation) 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 Government of Burma Bill [Lords];

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time this day.
Resolved, That the Special Order made by the Electricity Commissioners under the Electricity (Supply) Acts, 1882 to 1919, and confirmed by the Minister of Transport under Section 26 of the Electricity (Supply) Act, 1919, in respect of the borough of Guildford, the parishes of Artington, Merrow, West Clandon, Worplesdon, and part of the parish of Compton, in the rural district of Guildford, and the parishes of Shalford and Saint Martha, in the rural district of Hambledon, in the county of Surrey, which was presented on the 11th day of July last, be approved.—(Mr. Neal.)

Sir Arthur Griffith-Boscawen reported from Corn the Committee appointed to draw up a Reason Production to be assigned to the Lords for disagreeing to Bill, one of the Amendments made by their Lordships to the Corn Production Acts (Repeal) Bill; That they had drawn up a Reason accordingly, which they had directed him to report to the House; and the same was read, as follows:

The Commons disagree with the Amendment made by the Lords in p. 3.1.14, for the following Reason:—Because the Amendment limits the purposes suggested in the Preamble for which the Conciliation Committees are to be established and because no sufficient ground has been shown for such limitations.

The said Reason, being read a second time, was agreed to.

Ordered, That a Message be sent to the Lords to acquaint them that this House hath agreed to certain of the Amendments made by the Lords, hath agreed to certain other of their Amendments with Amendments therunto, hath disagreed to one of their Amendments, for which disagreement they assign a Reason: And that the Clerk do carry the said Message.

Whereupon Mr. Speaker adjourned the House Adjournment, without Question put, pursuant to the Order of the House of the 26th day of July last, it being then twenty-six minutes before One of the clock on Tuesday morning, till this day.

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The House met at a quarter of an hour before Three of the clock.

PRAYERS.

The House, pursuant to the Order of the Leicester Corporation Bill, House of the 10th day of this instant August, proceeded to take into consideration the Amendments made by the Lords to the Leicester Corporation Bill: And the same were twice read, and agreed to.

Ordered, That the Clerk do carry the Bill to the Lords; and acquaint them that this House hath agreed to the Amendments made by their Lordships.

The House, pursuant to the Order of the Metropolitan Water Board (Various Powers) Bill: And the same were twice read, and agreed to.
Ordered, That the Clerk do carry the Bill to the Lords; and acquaint them that this House hath agreed to the Amendments made by their Lordships.

The House, pursuant to the Order of the House of the 10th day of this instant August, proceeded to take into consideration the Amendments made by the Lords to the North Staffordshire Railway Bill: And the same were twice read, and agreed to.

Ordered, That the Clerk do carry the Bill to the Lords; and acquaint them that this House hath agreed to the Amendments made by their Lordships.

Ordered, That the Clerk do carry the Bill to the Lords; and acquaint them that this House hath agreed to the Amendments made by their Lordships.

The House, according to Order, proceeded to take into consideration the Amendments made by the Lords to the Manchester Corporation (General Powers) Bill: And the same were twice read, and agreed to.

Ordered, That the Clerk do carry the Bill to the Lords; and acquaint them that this House hath agreed to the Amendments made by their Lordships.

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The House, according to Order, proceeded to take into consideration the Amendments made by the Lords to the Batley Corporation Bill: And the same were twice read, and agreed to.

Ordered, That the Clerk do carry the Bill to the Lords; and acquaint them that this House hath agreed to the Amendments made by their Lordships.

The House accordingly proceeded to take the Bill into consideration;

And an Amendment was made to the Bill.

Ordered, That Standing Orders 223 and 243 be suspended, and that the Bill be now read the third time.—(The Chairman of Ways and Means).

Ordered, That the Clerk do carry the Bill to the Lords; and acquaint them that this House hath agreed to the Amendments made by their Lordships.

The House, according to Order, proceeded to take into consideration the Amendments made by the Lords to the Bill [ Lords]; Standing Orders 84, 214, 215, 239, and 324 be suspended, and that the Bill, as amended on re-committal, be now taken into consideration.—(The Chairman of Ways and Means.)

The House accordingly proceeded to take the Bill into consideration;

And an Amendment was made to the Bill.

Ordered, That Standing Orders 223 and 243 be suspended, and that the Bill be now read the third time.—(The Chairman of Ways and Means).

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 Standing Orders 84, 214, 215, 239, and 324 be suspended, and that the Bill be now read the third time.—(The Chairman of Ways and Means).

Ordered 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 Amendments made by their Lordships.

Ordered, That the said Papers do lie upon the Table.

Mr. Secretary Shortt presented, pursuant to the directions of several Acts of Parliament,—Copy of Provisional Regulation made by the Secretary of State under the Dangerous Drugs Act, 1920, prohibiting the supply in the Isle of Man of any drug to which the Act applies, except under licence as provided. Certified to come into immediate operation under the Rules Publication Act, 1893.

Copy of Order made under the Shops Act, shops Act, 1912, by the Council of the mentioned 1912 Local Authority, and confirmed by the Secretary of State for the Home Department:—

County Borough of Barnsley.

Ordered, That the said Papers do lie upon the Table.

Mr. Baldwin presented, by His Majesty's Command,—Account of the sums received and paid in respect of wages and effects of deceased seamen in the year ended the 31st March 1920.

Ordered, That the said Paper do lie upon the Table.

Mr. Hilton Young presented, by His Majesty's Government Command,—Copy of Report of the Government Chemist upon the work of the Government Laboratory for the year ended 31st March 1921, with Appendices.

Mr. Hilton Young also presented, pursuant to Read Fund, the directions of several Acts of Parliament,—No. 222. Abstract Account of Receipts into and payments out of the Read Fund for the year ended 31st March 1921, with the Report of the Comptroller and Auditor General thereon.

Account of the Receipts and Expenditure of the Commissioners of the Royal Hospital, Chelsea (for Services other than those voted by Parliament), in the year ended 31st March 1921, with Report of the Comptroller and Auditor General thereon.

Account of Receipts and Expenditure of the Supreme Court Paymaster General on behalf of the Supreme Court of Judicature, Court of Judicature in respect of the Funds of the Baronies of the Court in the year ended 28th February 1921, 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.

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hath agreed to the Amendments made by their Lordships.

The Airdrie and Coatbridge Tramways Trust Order Confirmation Bill was, according to Order, read the third time and passed.

Ordered, That the Clerk do carry the Bill to the Lords, and desire their concurrence.

The House, according to Order, proceeded to Grangemouth and Stirling Water Order Confirmation Bill;

Ordered, That the Bill be now read the third time:—The Bill was accordingly read the third time and passed.

Ordered, That the Clerk do carry the Bill to the Lords, and desire their concurrence.

A Public Petition was presented, and read; and ordered to lie upon the Table.

Mr. Secretary Shortt presented, pursuant to the directions of several Acts of Parliament,—Copy of Provisional Regulation made by the Secretary of State under the Dangerous Drugs Act, 1920, prohibiting the supply in the Isle of Man of any drug to which the Act applies, except under licence as provided. Certified to come into immediate operation under the Rules Publication Act, 1893.

Copy of Order made under the Shops Act, shops Act, 1912, by the Council of the mentioned 1912 Local Authority, and confirmed by the Secretary of State for the Home Department:—

County Borough of Barnsley.

Ordered, That the said Papers do lie upon the Table.

Mr. Baldwin presented, by His Majesty's Command,—Account of the sums received and paid in respect of wages and effects of deceased seamen in the year ended the 31st March 1920.

Ordered, That the said Paper do lie upon the Table.

Mr. Hilton Young presented, by His Majesty's Government Command,—Copy of Report of the Government Chemist upon the work of the Government Laboratory for the year ended 31st March 1921, with Appendices.

Mr. Hilton Young also presented, pursuant to Read Fund, the directions of several Acts of Parliament,—No. 222. Abstract Account of Receipts into and payments out of the Read Fund for the year ended 31st March 1921, with the Report of the Comptroller and Auditor General thereon.

Account of the Receipts and Expenditure of the Commissioners of the Royal Hospital, Chelsea (for Services other than those voted by Parliament), in the year ended 31st March 1921, with Report of the Comptroller and Auditor General thereon.

Account of Receipts and Expenditure of the Supreme Court Paymaster General on behalf of the Supreme Court of Judicature, Court of Judicature in respect of the Funds of the Baronies of the Court in the year ended 28th February 1921, 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.
(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 20th November 1920:—(2) An Account of the several transactions which have taken place during the year ended 20th November 1920, in the investment of all moneys which came into the hands of the Commissioners for the Reduction of the National Debt for Savings Banks and Friendly Societies:—(3) A Statement showing the aggregate amount of the Liabilities of the Government to the trustees of Savings Banks and Friendly Societies respectively on 20th November 1920, &c.

Ordered, That the said Papers do lie upon the Table; and that the said Accounts be printed.

Mr. Secretary Churchill presented, by His Majesty's Command,—Copy of Summary of Proceedings (with Documents) of the Conference of Prime Ministers and Representatives of the United Kingdom, the Dominions, and India, held in June, July, and August 1921.

Ordered, That the said Papers do lie upon the Table.

Local Taxation Returns (England and Wales). (1919-20), Part I.

Ordered, That there be laid before this House a Return showing the sums expended and received during the year ending the 31st day of March 1920, by Boards of Guardians of the Poor and Joint Poor Law Authorities, including the Managers of the Metropolitan Asylum District, and the amounts of the outstanding loan debts of those authorities at the end of the year.—(Sir Alfred Mond.)

Sir William Middlebrook reported from the Local Legislation Committee; That they had considered the Bills referred to them, and directed him to make a Special Report to the House.

Ordered, That the Special Report do lie upon the Table; and be printed.

Standing Orders, No. 227.

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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 House, according to Order, proceeded to consider the Expiring Laws Continuance Bill, as amended in the Committee.

Ordered, That the Bill be now read the third time:—The Bill was accordingly read the third time and passed.

Ordered, That the Clerk do carry the Bill to the Lords, and desire their concurrence.

The House, according to Order, proceeded to consider the Amendments made (No. 2) Bill, by the Lords to the Licensing (No. 2) Bill.

The Lords' Amendments, as far as the Amendment in p. 11, l. 5, being read a second time, were agreed to.

The Lords' Amendment in p. 11, l. 5, leave out from ("are") to ("application"), in l. 7, 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. Attorney General):

The House divided.

The Yeas to the Right;

The Noes to the Left.

Tellers for the Yeas, Mr. Gideon Murray: 118.
Mr. James Brown, 30.

Tellers for the Noes, Mr. Ford.

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.

The House, according to Order, proceeded to consider the Amendments made bill, by the Lords to the War Pensions Bill.

The Lords' Amendments, as far as the Amendment in p. 5, l. 5, being read a second time, were agreed to.

The Lords' Amendment in p. 5, l. 5, leave out, ("are") to ("application"), and insert, ("constituencies"); the next Amendment, being read a second time:

And a Motion being made, and the Question being proposed, That this House doth agree with the Lords in the said Amendment,—(Mr. Macpherson.)

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:—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.
The Telegraph (Money) 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.

JOHN HENRY WHITLEY,
Speaker.

The House, according to Order, resolved itself into a Committee on the Public Works Loans Bill.

(The Committee.)

Clauses No. 1 to No. 4 agreed to.

Schedule agreed to.

Bill to be reported.

Mr. Deputy Speaker resumed the Chair; and the Deputy Chairman reported, That the Committee had gone through the Bill, and directed him to report the same, without Amendment.

Ordered, That the Bill be now read the third time.—The Bill was accordingly read the third time and passed.

Ordered, That the Clerk do carry the Bill to the Lords, and desire their concurrence.

The House, according to Order, resolved itself into a Committee on the Supreme Court Officers Bill:—The said proposed Amendment was, with the consent of Mr. Speaker, agreed to.

Mr. Deputy Speaker resumed the Chair; and the Deputy Chairman reported, That the Committee had gone through the Bill, and directed him to report the same, without Amendment.

Ordered, That the Bill be now read the third time.—The Bill was accordingly read the third time and passed.

Ordered, That the Clerk do carry the Bill to the Lords, and desire their concurrence.

The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Government of Burma Bill (Lords),

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time this day.

Mr. Hilton Young reported from the Committee on Exchequer and Audit Departments (Salaries) a Resolution which was read, as follows:

That for the purposes of any Act of the present Session to amend the Exchequer and Audit Departments Acts, 1866 and 1889, it is expedient,—
(1) To authorise the salary payable to the Comptroller and Auditor General to be increased as from the first day of March, nineteen hundred and twenty, from the sum of two thousand pounds per annum to the sum of three thousand pounds per annum, and to charge on the Consolidated Fund the increased salary so payable.
(2) To authorise the payment, out of moneys provided by Parliament, to any officers or servants appointed by the Comptroller and Auditor General of such salaries as the Treasury may determine.

The said Resolution, being read a second time;

And a Motion being made, and the Question being put, That this House doth agree with the Committee in the said Resolution;

The House divided.

The Yeas to the Right;

The Noes to the Left.

Tellers for the Yeas:—
[Name]

Tellers for the Noes:—
[Name]

So it was resolved in the Affirmative.

The House, according to Order, proceeded to take into consideration the Children of Unmarried Parents Bill, as amended in the Standing Committee.

Amendments were made to the Bill.
Another Amendment was proposed to be made to the Bill, in p. 3, by leaving out Is. 8 to 15, inclusive, and inserting the words,—
"(2) It shall be competent for the Registrar General, on production of satisfactory evidence, to authorise at any time the re-registration of the birth of any person made legitimate under this section,"
—(Sir John Baird),—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.

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 Guardianship of Infants Bill, as amended in the Standing Committee,

Ordered, That the Bill be taken into further consideration this day.

The Order of the day being read, for the Government of Burma Bill (Lords)

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time this day.

The Order of the day being read, for the Exchequer Committee on the Exchequer and Audit Departments Bill;

Resolved, That this House will, this day, resolve itself into the said Committee.

The Order of the day being read, for taking Criminal Law Amendment Bill (Lords);

Ordered, That the said Reasons be taken into consideration this day.

Resolved, That the draft of a Special Order Gas Regulation proposed to be made by the Board of Trade Act, 1820, under Section 10 of the Gas Regulation Act, 1820, on the application of the Bishop of Stourford, Harlow, and Epping Gas and Electricity Company, which was presented on the 9th day of this instant August, be approved.—(Sir William Mitchell-Thomson.)
Resolved, That the draft of a Special Order proposed to be made by the Board of Trade under Section 10 of the Gas Regulation Act, 1920, on the application of the Chelmsford Corporation, which was presented on the 10th day of this instant August, be approved. —(Sir William Mitchell-Thomson.)

Resolved, That the draft of a Special Order proposed to be made by the Board of Trade under Section 10 of the Gas Regulation Act, 1920, on the application of the Eltham-cum-Greetland Gas Company, which was presented on the 8th day of this instant August, be approved.—(Sir William Mitchell-Thomson.)

Resolved, That the draft of a Special Order proposed to be made by the Board of Trade under Section 10 of the Gas Regulation Act, 1920, on the application of the Harwich Gas and Coke Company, which was presented on the 6th day of this instant August, be approved.—(Sir William Mitchell-Thomson.)

Resolved, That the draft of a Special Order proposed to be made by the Board of Trade under Section 10 of the Gas Regulation Act, 1920, on the application of the North Middlesex Gas Company, which was presented on the 9th day of this instant August, be approved.—(Sir William Mitchell-Thomson.)

Resolved, That the draft of a Special Order proposed to be made by the Board of Trade under Section 10 of the Gas Regulation Act, 1920, on the application of the Redhill Gas Company, which was presented on the 10th day of this instant August, be approved. — (Sir William Mitchell-Thomson.)

Resolved, That the draft of a Special Order proposed to be made by the Board of Trade under Section 10 of the Gas Regulation Act, 1920, on the application of the Southgate and District Gas Company, which was presented on the 9th day of this instant August, be approved. — (Sir William Mitchell-Thomson.)

Resolved, That the draft of a Special Order proposed to be made by the Board of Trade under Section 10 of the Gas Regulation Act, 1920, on the application of the Tunbridge Wells Gas Company, which was presented on the 2nd day of this instant August, be approved.—(Sir William Mitchell-Thomson.)

Resolved, That the draft of a Special Order proposed to be made by the Board of Trade under Section 10 of the Gas Regulation Act, 1920, on the application of the Walker and Wallend Union Gas Company, which was presented on the 3rd day of this instant August, be approved.—(Sir William Mitchell-Thomson.)

Resolved, That the draft of a Special Order proposed to be made by the Board of Trade under Section 10 of the Gas Regulation Act, 1920, on the application of the Welwyn, Knebworth and District Gas Company, Limited, which was presented on the 8th day of this instant August, be approved. — (Sir William Mitchell-Thomson.)

Whereupon Mr. Speaker adjourned the House without Question put, pursuant to the Order of the House of the 26th day of July last, it being then seventeen minutes before One of the clock on Wednesday morning, till this day.

[No. 122.]

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The House met at a quarter of an hour before Three of the clock.

PRAYERS.

The West Ham Corporation Bill [Lords] — was, according to Order, read the third time and passed, with Amendments.

Ordered, That the Clerk do carry the Bill to the Lords, and acquaint them that this House hath agreed to the same, with Amendments; to which this House doth desire the concurrence of their Lordships.

The Lord Advocate presented,—Return to an Order dated the 12th day of this instant August, for a Return relative to Private Legislation Procedure (Scotland) Act, 1899.

Ordered, That the said Return do lie upon the Table; and be printed.

Mr. Secretary Montagu presented, by His Highness the East India Majesty's Command,—Copy of Report of the Committee appointed by the Government of India to examine the Press and Registration of Books Act, 1867, the Indian Press Act, 1910, and the Newspaper (Incitement to Offences) Act, 1908.

Mr. Secretary Montagu also presented, pursuant to the directions of an Act of Parliament, —Return of all Loans raised in India chargeable on the Revenues of India, outstanding at the commencement of the half-year ended on the 31st March 1921, 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 monies 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 monies have been raised during the half-year.

Ordered, That the said Papers do lie upon the Table.

Secretary Sir Laming Worthington-Evans presented, pursuant to the directions of an Act of Parliament,—Copy of Amendments to Regulations for the Territorial Force.

Ordered, That the said Paper do lie upon the Table.

Mr. Neat presented, pursuant to the directions of an Act of Parliament,—Copy of Report respecting the Proceedings relative to the Hours of Labour of Railway Servants, under the Railway Regulation Act, 1893, during the year ended 27th July 1921.

Ordered, That the said Paper do lie upon the Table.

Mr. Baldwin, by His Majesty's Command,—Copy of Statement of Assets and Liabilities of the Central Control Board of the Liquor Traffic, as at 31st March 1921.

Copy of Report on the Examinations of Candidates for Certificates of Competency in the Mercantile Marine and the Sea-Fishing Services, for the year 1920.

Copy of Interim Report of the Imperial Shipping Committee on the Deferred Rebate System as obtaining in the Trade between the United Kingdom and Australia.

Copy of Report of the Imperial Shipping Committee on the Functions and Constitution of a Permanent Imperial Body for Shipping Questions.

Ordered, That the said Papers do lie upon the Table.

Mr. Hilton Young presented, pursuant to the directions of an Act of Parliament,—Copy of Balance Sheet and Accounts of Shipbuilding and Dockyard Manufactures for the financial year 1919-20; with the Report of the Comptroller and Auditor General thereon.

Ordered, That the said Paper do lie upon the Table; and be printed.

Sir Alfred Mond also presented, Return to an Order, dated the 3rd day of this instant August, for a Return relative to Persons in Receipt of Poor Law Relief (England and Wales).

No. 230.

Sir Alfred Mond also presented, Return to an Order, dated the 16th day of this instant August, Return, (England and Wales), 1919-20, Part I.

Ordered, That the said Papers do lie upon the Table; and that the said Returns be printed.

Ordered, That there be laid before this House Adjournment Motions under Standing Order No. 10, showing the date of such Motion, the name of the Member proposing, the definite matter of urgent public importance, and the result of any Division taken thereon during Session 1921 (in continuation of Parliamentary Paper, No. 251 of Session 1920).—(The Deputy Chairman.)

Ordered, That there be laid before this House Closure of Debate (Standing Order No. 26 (Closure of Debate during Session Order No. 26.) 1921 (1) in the House and in Committee of the whole House, under the following heads:

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Table.

Sir Alfred Mond also presented, Return to an Local Taxation Order, dated the 16th day of this instant August, Return, (England and Wales), 1919-20, Part I.

Ordered, That the said Papers do lie upon the Table; and that the said Returns be printed.

Ordered, That there be laid before this House Adjournment of a Return respecting application of Standing of Motion under Standing Order No. 10, during Session Order No. 26. during Session 1921 (in continuation of Parliamentary Paper, No. 251 of Session 1920).—(The Deputy Chairman.)

Ordered, That there be laid before this House Adjournment of a Return respecting application of Standing of Motion under Standing Order No. 10, during Session Order No. 26. during Session 1921 (in continuation of Parliamentary Paper, No. 251 of Session 1920).—(The Deputy Chairman.)

Ordered, That there be laid before this House Adjournment of a Return respecting application of Standing of Motion under Standing Order No. 10, during Session Order No. 26. during Session 1921 (in continuation of Parliamentary Paper, No. 251 of Session 1920).—(The Deputy Chairman.)

in continuation of Parliamentary Paper, No. 253, of Session 1920. —(The Deputy Chairman.)

Ordered, That there be laid before this House Adjournment of a Return showing, with reference to Session the House, 1921, (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. 252, of Session 1920).—(The Deputy Chairman.)

Ordered, That there be laid before this House Private Bills a Return of the number of Private Bills, Hybrid and Private Bills, and Bills for confirming Provisional Orders introduced into the House of Commons and brought from the House of Lords, and of Acts passed, in Session 1921, classified according to the following Subjects:—Railways; Tramways; Tramroads; Subways; Canals and Navigations; Roads and Bridges; Water; Waterworks; Gas; Gas and Water; Lighting.
Ordered, That there be laid before this House a Return of the number of Public Bills, distinguishing Government from other Bills, the number of days on which each of such Bills was considered by all and by each of the Standing Committees, the number of days on which each Committee sat, and the number of days on which each Member attended; and of the number of Private Bills, Hybrid Bills, and Bills for confirming Provisional Orders withdrawn or not proceeded with by the parties, those Bills being specified which have been referred to Committees and dropped during the Sittings of the Committees (in continuation of Parliamentary Paper, No. 0.003 of Session 1920).—(The Deputy Chairman.)

Ordered, That there be laid before this House a Return of the number of Public Petitions presented and printed in Session 1921, with the total number of signatures in that Session (in continuation of Parliamentary Paper, No. 0.004 of Session 1920).—(The Deputy Chairman.)

Ordered, That there be laid before this House a Return of the number of Select Committees appointed in Session 1921 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 due thereon up to that period be paid: That such Bill shall be deposited in the Private Bill Office not later than Three o'clock on the day prior to the close of the present Session and that all fees due thereon up to that period be paid:

The Lords have agreed to the Safeguarding of Industries Bill, with Amendments; to which the Lords desire the concurrence of this House.

The Lords have come to the following Resolutions, viz.:—That the Promoters of the Ministry of Health Provisional Order (Cardiff Extension) Bill have leave to suspend the provisions thereof in order to proceed with the Bill, if they shall think fit, in the next Session of Parliament, provided that notice of their intention to do so be lodged in the Private Bill Office not later than Three o'clock on the day prior to the close of the present Session and that all fees due thereon up to that period be paid:

The Lords have come to the following Resolution, viz.:—That the proceedings on such Bill shall be pro forma only in regard to every stage through which the same shall have passed in the present Session, and that no new fees be charged in regard to such stages:

That the Standing Orders by which the proceedings on Bills are regulated shall not apply to such Bill in regard to any of the stages through which the same shall have passed during the present Session.

Ordered, That there be laid before this House Sittings of the House in Sessions 1921, 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 Deputy Chairman.)

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 Safeguarding of Industries Bill, with Amendments; to which the Lords desire the concurrence of this House.

The Lords have come to the following Resolutions, viz.:—That the Promoters of the Ministry of Health Provisional Order (Cardiff Extension) Bill have leave to suspend the provisions thereof in order to proceed with the Bill, if they shall think fit, in the next Session of Parliament, provided that notice of their intention to do so be lodged in the Private Bill Office not later than Three o'clock on the day prior to the close of the present Session and that all fees due thereon up to that period be paid:

The Lords have come to the following Resolution, viz.:—That the proceedings on such Bill shall be pro forma only in regard to every stage through which the same shall have passed in the present Session, and that no new fees be charged in regard to such stages:

That the Standing Orders by which the proceedings on Bills are regulated shall not apply to such Bill in regard to any of the stages through which the same shall have passed during the present Session.
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That all petitions presented in the present Session against the Bill shall stand referred to the Committee on the same Bill in the next Session of Parliament; to which the Lords desire the concurrence of this House.

Safeguarding of Industries Bill. Bill 213.

Business of the House (Irish Railways (Settlement of Claims) Bill.)

Ordered, That the Amendments made by the Lords to the Safeguarding of Industries Bill be taken into consideration to-morrow; and be printed.

Ordered, That the Third Reading of the Irish Railways (Settlement of Claims) Bill may be taken immediately after the consideration of the Bill, as amended, notwithstanding the practice of the House relating to the interval between the Report and Third Reading stages of such a Bill.—(Mr. Austen Chamberlain.)

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.

Schedules agreed to.

Bill to be reported.

Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair; and the Chairman of Ways and Means reported, That the Committee had gone through the Bill, and directed him to report the same, without Amendment.

A Motion was made, and the Question being put; A Motion was made, and the Question being again proposed, That the Amendments made by the Lords to the Safeguarding of Industries Bill be taken into consideration to-morrow; and be printed.

A Message was delivered by Lieutenant-General Sir William Pulteney, K.C.B., K.C.M.G., D.S.O., Gentleman Usher of the Black Rod:

Mr. Speaker,

The Lords authorised by virtue of His Majesty's Commission, for declaring His Royal Assent to Acts which are agreed upon by both Houses, and to a Measure passed under the provisions of the Church of England Assembly (Powers) Act, 1912, 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 and Measure therein mentioned; and that the Lords thereby authorised had declared the Royal Assent to the said Acts and Measure, as follow:

1. Corn Sales Act, 1921.
3. Territorial Army and Militia Act, 1921.
4. Salmon and Freshwater Fisheries Act, 1921.
5. Admiralty Pensions Act, 1921.
6. Isle of Man (Customs) Act, 1921.
7. Greenwich Hospital Act, 1921.
8. Licensing Act, 1921.

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And the Question being again proposed, That Consolidated Fund ( Appropriation) Bill be read the third time; and be printed.

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 Mr. Speaker's 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.

JOHN HENRY WHITLEY, Speaker.
Mr. Speaker acquainted the House, That a Message had been brought from the Lords by one of their Clerks, as followeth:

The Lords do not insist upon one of their Amendments to the Corn Production Acts (Repeal) Bill, with which the Commons have disagreed; they disagree with one of the Amendments made by the Commons to one of their Amendments, but propose an Amendment in lieu thereof; and they agree with the other Amendments made by the Commons to their Amendments, but propose a further Amendment to one of them; to which Amendments the Lords desire the concurrence of this House.

Ordered, That the Amendment made by the Lords in lieu of the Amendment made by this House to an Amendment made by the Lords to the Corn Production Acts (Repeal) Bill, to which the Lords have disagreed, and the Amendment made by the Lords to an Amendment made by this House to an Amendment made by the Lords be taken into consideration forthwith.—(Sir Arthur Griffith-Bacon, &c.)

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 acquit them that this House hath agreed to the Amendments made by their Lordsships.

Mr. Speaker's Certificate.

Irish Railways (Settlement of Claims) Bill.

The House, according to Order, proceeded to take into consideration the Irish Railways (Settlement of Claims) Bill, as amended in the Committee;

Ordered, That the Bill be now read the third time:—The Bill was accordingly read the third time and passed.

Ordered, That the Clerk do carry the Bill to the Lords; and desire their concurrence.

Mr. 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 Exchequer and Audit Departments Bill.

Shops (Early Closing) Act (1920) Amendment Bill.

The Shops (Early Closing) Act (1920) Amendment Bill was, according to Order, read a second time.

Resolved, That this House will immediately resolve itself into the Committee on the Bill.

—(Colonel Leslie Wilson.)

The House accordingly resolved itself into the Committee.

(In the Committee.)

Clause No. 1 amended, and agreed to.
Clause No. 2 agreed to.
Bill to be reported.

Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair; and Sir Frederick Banbury 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 Supreme Court Officers (Retirement, Pensions, &c.) 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 Supreme Court Officers (Retirement, Pensions, &c.) Bill.

The House, according to Order, resolved itself into a Committee on the Exchequer and Audit Departments Bill.

(In the Committee.)

Clauses No. 1 to No. 10 agreed to.
Schedules agreed to.
Bill to be reported.

Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair; and the Chairman of Ways and Means reported, That the Committee had gone through the Bill, and directed him to report the same, without Amendment.

Ordered, That the Bill be now read the third time:—The Bill was accordingly read the third time and passed.

Ordered, That the Clerk do carry the Bill to the Lords, and desire their concurrence.

The Order of the day being read, for taking Guardianship of Infants Bill, as amended in the Standing Committee.

Ordered, That the Bill be taken into further consideration to-morrow.

The Order of the day being read, for the Government Bill to be read the second time to-morrow.

The Order of the day being read, for taking Criminal Law into consideration the Reasons assigned by the Lords for disagreeing with two of the Amendments made by this House to the Criminal Law Amendment Bill (Lords):

And a Motion being made, and the Question being proposed, That the Lords' Reasons be now taken into consideration;

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."—(Major Hamilton.)

And the Question being proposed, That the word "now" stand part of the Question;

And the House having continued to sit till after Twelve of the clock on Thursday morning:

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And the Question being put;

The House divided.
The Yeas to the Right;
The Noes to the Left.
Tellers for the Viscountess Astor, &c. (Major Hills: 59.
Tellers for the Colonel Leslie Wilson, &c. (Mr. Dudley Ward: 89.

So it passed in the Negative.
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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 Lords' Reasons be taken into consideration upon this day three months.

Adjournment.

Whereupon Mr. Speaker adjourned the House without Question put, pursuant to the Order of the House of the 26th day of July last, it being then twenty-seven minutes before One of the clock on Thursday morning, till this day.

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Thursday, 18TH August 1921.

The House met at a quarter of an hour before Three of the clock.

PRAYERS.

ORDERED, That so much of the Lords' Message of the 17th day of this instant August, as communicates a Resolution relative to the Ministry of Health Provisional Order (Cardiff Extension) Bill be now taken into consideration. — (The Chairman of Ways and Means.)

The House accordingly proceeded to take so much of the said Lords' Message into consideration.

Resolved, That this House doth agree with the Lords in the said Resolution.— (The Chairman of Ways and Means.)

Ordered, That a Message be sent to the Lords acquainting them therewith: And that the Clerk do carry the said Message.

Ordered, That the Promoters of the Ministry of Health Provisional Order (Cardiff Extension) Bill have leave to suspend any further proceedings therein, in order to proceed with the Bill, if they shall think fit, in the next Session of Parliament, provided that notice of their intention to so do be lodged in the Private Bill Office not later than Three o'clock on the day prior to the close of the present Session, and that all fees due thereon up to that period be paid.

That such Bill shall be deposited in the Private Bill Office not later than Three o'clock on or before the third day on which the House shall sit after the next meeting of Parliament, with a declaration annexed thereto, signed by the Agent, stating that the Bill is the same in every respect as the Bill at the last stage of the proceedings therein in this House in the present Session.

That the proceedings on such Bill shall be pro forma only in regard to every stage through which the same shall have passed during the present Session.— (The Chairman of Ways and Means.)

Ordered, That this Order be a Standing Order of the House.— (The Chairman of Ways and Means.)

A. Public Petition was presented, and read; Public Petitions. Vote Supplement to First Report.

Mr. Cecil Hermansworth presented, by His Majesty's Command—Copy of Reports on Atrocities in the Districts of Yalova and Guemlik and in the Ismid Peninsula.

Copy of Annual Reports on Egypt and the Egypt (No. 2, Soudan, 1920.)

Copy of Returns of Shipping and Tonnage in the Suez Canal, 1920 (in continuation of Commercial, No. 1, 1921.)

Ordered, That the said Papers do lie upon the Table.

Mr. Amery presented, pursuant to the direction of an Act of Parliament, — Account showing the Receipts and Expenditure of Naval Prize, Bounty, Salvage, and other Moneys between 1st April 1920 and 31st March 1921.

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 17th day of Adjournment this instant August, for a Return relative to Adjournment Motions under Standing Order No. 10.

Return to an Order, dated the 17th day of this instant August, for a Return relative to the Business of the House.

Return to an Order, dated the 17th day of this instant August, for a Return relative to the Closure of the Business of the House.

Return to an Order, dated the 17th day of this instant August, for a Return relative to Standing Order No. 26.

Return to an Order, dated the 17th day of Private Bills this instant August, for a Return relative to Public Bills.

Return to an Order, dated the 17th day of Petitions this instant August, for a Return relative to Petitions.

Return to an Order, dated the 17th day of Select Committee this instant August, for a Return relative to Committees.

Return to an Order, dated the 17th day of Sittings this instant August, for a Return relative to Sittings.

Return to an Order, dated the 17th day of Standing Committee this instant August, for a Return relative to Committees.

ORDERED, That the Returns relative to Adjournment Motions under Standing Order No. 10, Business of the House, Closure of Debate (Standing Order No. 26), Private Bills and Private Business, Public Bills, Public Petitions, Select Committees, and Standing Committees be printed.

ORDERED, That there be laid before this House a Return relating to Trustee Savings Banks for Savings Banks the year ended the 20th day of November 1920, showing:—

(1) In respect of Saving Banks established in England and Wales, Scotland, Ireland, and the Channel Islands, respectively, treated in the aggregate, and for the United Kingdom:—

(a) The number of such Banks;

(b) The number of accounts remaining open;

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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 Telegraph (Money) Bill, without any Amendment.

The Lords have agreed to the Public Works Loans Bill, without any Amendment.

The Lords have agreed to the Aberdeen Corporation (Electricity Works Railway) Order Confirmation Bill, without any Amendment.

The Lords have agreed to the Bridge of Allan Water, &c., Order Confirmation Bill, without any Amendment.

The Lords have agreed to the Stirlingshire and Falkirk Water Order Confirmation Bill, without any Amendment.

The Lords have agreed to the Dumbarton Borough (Water) Order Confirmation Bill, without any Amendment.

The Lords have agreed to the North British Railway (Burdens) Harbour Transfer) Order Confirmation Bill, without any Amendment.

The Lords have agreed to the Airdrie and Coatbridge Tramways Trust Order Confirmation Bill, without any Amendment.

Ordered, That the Amendments made by the Railways Bill be taken into consideration to-morrow; and be printed.

Mr. Secretary Shortt, supported by Mr. Journe Bill, Attorney General and Sir John Baird, presented a Bill to amend the Law with respect to the preparation of jurors' books, and otherwise to amend the Law relating to jurors and juries in England and Wales: And the same was ordered to be read a second time to-morrow; and to be printed.

The House, according to Order, proceeded to take into consideration the Amendments made by the Lords to the Safeguarding of Industries Bill; and the same were twice read, and disagreed to.

Ordered, That a Committee be appointed to draw up Reasons to be assigned to the Lords for disagreeing to the Amendments made by their Lordships to the Bill.

And a Committee was nominated of Mr. Baldwin, Mr. Bowerman, Mr. Austin Chamberlain, and Sir Donald Maclean.

Ordered, That Two be the quorum of the Committee.—(Mr. Austin Chamberlain.)

And they are to withdraw immediately.

A Motion was made, and the Question being adjourned, put, That this House do now adjourn.—(Colonel Leslie Wils.)—It passed in the Negative.

Mr. Baldwin reported from the Committee Safeguarding Industries appointed to draw up Reasons to be assigned to the Lords for disagreeing to the Amendments made by their Lordships to the Safeguarding of Industries Bill; That they had drawn up a Reason accordingly, which they had directed him to report to the House; and the same was read, as followeth:

The Commons disagree to the Amendments made by the Lords for the following Reason: Because they infringe the sole and undoubted right of the Commons to impose taxation. And the Commons consider it unnecessary to offer any further Reason, hoping that the above Reason may be deemed sufficient.

The said Reason, being read a second time, was agreed to.
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Ordered, That a Message be sent to the Lords to communicate the said Reason (with the Bill and Amendments) ; And that the Clerk do carry the same.

Mr. Speaker acquainted the House, That a Message had been brought from the Lords by one of their Clerks, as followeth :—

The Lords do not insist on their Amendments to the Safeguarding of Industries Bill to which this House hath disagreed.

The Order of the day being read, for taking into further consideration the Guardianship, &c., of Infants Bill, as amended in the Standing Committee;

Ordered, That the Bill be taken into further consideration to-morrow.

The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Government of Burma Bill [Lords];

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time to-morrow.

Resolved, That the Draft of a Special Order proposed to be made by the Board of Trade under Section 10 of the Gas Regulation Act, 1920, on the application of the Spenborough Urban District Council, which was presented on the 15th day of this instant August, be approved.—(Sir William Mitchell-Thomson.)

Whereupon Mr. Deputy Speaker adjourned the House without Question put, pursuant to the Order of the House of the 26th day of July last, it being then twenty-six minutes before Ten of the clock, till to-morrow.

[No. 124.]

Friday, 19th August 1921.

The House met at Eleven of the clock.

PRAYERS.

Edinburgh Corporation Order Confirmation Bill.

Ordered, That Mr. Speaker do issue his Warrant to the Clerk of the Crown in Ireland, to make out a new Writ for the election of a Member to serve in this present Parliament for the County of Londonderry (South Derry Division), in the room of the Right Honourable Denis Henry, K.C., who, since his Election for the said County, hath accepted the office of Lord Chief Justice of Northern Ireland.—(Colonel Leslie Wilson.)

Several Public Petitions were presented, and read ; and ordered to lie upon the Table.

Mr. Arthur Balfour presented, by His Majesty’s Command,—Copy of Report of the Committee of the Privy Council for Scientific and Industrial Research for the year 1920-21.

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Ordered, That the said Paper do lie upon the Table.

Mr. Hilton Young presented, by His Majesty’s Petition, to confirm a Bill to provide for the recall to the Active List within the meaning of Section 175 (1) of the Air Force Act, 1917.

Adjournment.

Mr. Baldwin presented, by His Majesty’s Command,—Copy of Report to the Board of Incomestibles under the Gas Regulation Act, 1920.

Copy of Annual Statement of the Trade of the United Kingdom with Foreign and British Possessions for 1920, compared with the years 1913 and 1919. Vols. I., II., III., and IV. Possessions.)

Mr. Baldwin also presented, pursuant to the Bankruptcy, directions of several Acts of Parliament.—Copy No. 235. of Thirty-eighth General Annual Report by the Board of Trade under the Bankruptcy Acts.

Copy of Report on an application by the Public Utility Companies (Capital Issues) Act, 1920.

Ordered, That the said Paper do lie upon the Table; and that the Paper relative to Bankruptcy be printed.

Mr. Secretary Guest presented, pursuant to Air Force Act, directions of an Act of Parliament,—Copy (Constitution) Act, 1917. of Order under the Air Force (Constitution) Act, 1917, instituting a daily scale of rations for officers, warrant officers, non-commissioned officers, and other airmen of the Royal Air Force serving at Home Stations in time of Peace.

Copy of Order under the Air Force (Constitution) Act, 1917, revising the classifications of the Medical Branch of the Royal Air Force contained in His Majesty’s Order of 5th February 1920.

Copy of Order under the Air Force (Constitution) Act, 1917, to provide for the retention of Officers on the active list at a time of national emergency, or when a national emergency appears to be imminent.

Copy of Order under the Air Force (Constitution) Act, 1917, defining the officers of the (Constitution) regular Air Force who shall be considered to be on the Active List within the meaning of Section 175 (1) of the Air Force Act.

Copy of Order under the Air Force (Constitution) Act, 1917, to provide for the recall to (Constitution) Service in the Royal Air Force at a time of national emergency, or when a national emergency appears to be imminent, of officers of the Royal Air Force who have retired either on retired pay or on gratuity.

Copy of Order under the Air Force (Constitution) Act, 1917, providing for the payment of (Constitution) Command Pay to Officers of the rank of Wing Commander whilst actually in command.

Ordered, That the said Papers do lie upon the Table.
Ordered, That Government Business be not interrupted this day at Four or half-past Four of the clock, and may be entered upon at any hour, although opposed. — Mr. Austen Chamberlain.)

The House, according to Order, proceeded to take into consideration the Amendments made by the Lords to the Railway Bill, in the following order:

The Lords' Amendments, as far as the Amendment in p. 5, l. 17, being read a second time, were agreed to.

A consequential Amendment was made to the Bill, in p. 5, l. 5, by leaving out the second word "the"—(Sir Eric Geddes.)

The Lords' Amendment, in p. 5, l. 17, after "(majority)", insert "(in value)", the next Amendment, being read a second time, was agreed to.

Then the subsequent Lords' Amendments, as far as the Amendment in p. 14, l. 33, being read a second time, were agreed to.

The Lords' Amendment, in p. 14, l. 33, leave out "(twenty-five million)", and insert "(twenty-four million five hundred thousand)", the next Amendment, being read a second time: And it appearing that the object of the Amendment was to make provision for special cases not previously contemplated by the Commons, the same was agreed to.

The Lords' Amendment, in p. 14, l. 35, after "(applies)", insert "(other than the companies referred to in subsection (5) of this section)" the next Amendment, being read a second time: And it appearing that the object of the Amendment was to make provision for special cases not previously contemplated by the Commons, the same was agreed to.

The Lords' Amendment, in p. 15, l. 14, at end, insert:

"(b) The sum of five hundred thousand pounds shall be set aside for the payment thereout of such compensation as may be awarded by the amalgamation tribunal to any of the companies referred to in subsection (3) of this section; and)", the next Amendment, being read a second time: And it appearing that the object of the Amendment was to make provision for special cases not previously contemplated by the Commons, the same was agreed to.

The Lords' Amendment, in p. 15, l. 17, after "(companies)" insert "(to whom the said section applies (other than the companies referred to in subsection (3) of this section) and)" the next Amendment, being read a second time: And it appearing that the object of the Amendment was to make provision for special cases not previously contemplated by the Commons, the same was agreed to.

Then the subsequent Lords' Amendments, as far as the Amendment in p. 16, l. 4, being read a second time, were agreed to.

The Lords' Amendment, in p. 16, l. 4, after "(the)" insert "(two said sums of five hundred thousand pounds, and)" the next Amendment, being read a second time: And it appearing that the object of the Amendment was to make provision for special cases not previously contemplated by the Commons, the same was agreed to.

The Lords' Amendment, in p. 16, l. 5, at end, insert "(to whom the said section applies (other than the companies referred to in subsection (3) of this section) the next Amendment, being read a second time: And it appearing that the object of the Amendment was to make provision for special cases not previously contemplated by the Commons, the same was agreed to.

The Lords' Amendment, in p. 16, l. 6, after "(the)" insert "(two last)" and leave out "(paragraph)" and insert "(paragraphs)" the next Amendment, being read a second time: And it appearing that the object of the Amendment was to make provision for special cases not previously contemplated by the Commons, the same was agreed to.

The Lords' Amendment, in p. 16, l. 8, at end, insert "(entitled to participate in the said sum of twenty-four million five hundred thousand pounds)" the next Amendment, being read a second time: And it appearing that the object of the Amendment was to make provision for special cases not previously contemplated by the Commons, the same was agreed to.

The Lords' Amendment, in p. 16, l. 9, leave out "(sum)" and insert "(sums)" the next Amendment, being read a second time: And it appearing that the object of the Amendment was to make provision for special cases not previously contemplated by the Commons, the same was agreed to.

The Lords' Amendment, in p. 16, l. 10, leave out from "(the)" to end of the subsection and insert "(twenty-four million five hundred thousand pounds)" the next Amendment, being read a second time: And it appearing that the object of the Amendment was to make provision for special cases not previously contemplated by the Commons, the same was agreed to.

The Lords' Amendment, in p. 16, l. 15, after "(companies)" insert "(to whom the said section applies (other than the companies referred to in subsection (3) of this section) and) the next Amendment, being read a second time: And it appearing that the object of the Amendment was to make provision for special cases not previously contemplated by the Commons, the same was agreed to.

The Lords' Amendment, in p. 16, l. 22, leave out "(ratio)" and insert "(proportion)" the next Amendment, being read a second time: And it appearing that the object of the Amendment was to make provision for special cases not previously contemplated by the Commons, the same was agreed to.

The Lords' Amendment, in p. 16, l. 34, after the first "(the)" insert "(amalgamation)" the next Amendment, being read a second time: And it appearing that the object of the Amendment was to make provision for special cases not previously contemplated by the Commons, the same was agreed to.

The Lords' Amendment, in p. 17, l. 5, leave out "(and)" the next Amendment, being read a second time, was agreed to.

The Lords' Amendment, in p. 17, l. 8, after "(companies)" insert "(to whom the said section applies (other than the companies referred to in subsection (3) of this section))" the next Amendment, being read a second time: And it appearing that the object of the Amendment was to make provision for special cases not previously contemplated by the Commons, the same was agreed to.

The Lords' Amendment, in p. 17, l. 9, leave out "(twenty-four million)" and insert "(twenty-four million five hundred thousand)" the next Amendment, being read a second time: And it appearing that the object of the Amendment was to make provision for special cases not previously contemplated by the Commons, the same was agreed to.
The Lords’ Amendment, in p. 17, leave out lc. 24 and 25, and insert (“thirtieth day of April, nineteen hundred and twenty-two. The amount of such compensation shall be determined by the tribunal and shall be paid out of the said sum of five hundred thousand pounds”), the next Amendment, being read a second time: And it appearing that the object of the Amendment was to make provision for special cases not previously contemplated by the Commons, the same was agreed to.

Then the subsequent Lords’ Amendments, as far as the Amendment in p. 23, l. 6, being read a second time, were agreed to.

The Lords’ Amendment, in p. 23, l. 6, leave out subsection (6), the next Amendment, being read a second time; And it appearing that the object of the Amendment was to rectify an omission made by the Commons, the same was agreed to.

And a Motion being made, and the Question being put, That this House doth agree with the Lords in the said Amendment—(Sir Eric Geddes—Tellers for the [Colonel Arthur Murray: 96. Major Hills: 56. Mr. Myers: 61.]

So it was resolved in the Affirmative.

Then the subsequent Lords’ Amendments, as far as the Amendment in p. 69, l. 39, being read a second time, were agreed to.

The Lords’ Amendment, in p. 68, l. 39, leave out (“the Festiniog Railway Company”), the next Amendment, being read a second time;

And it appearing that the object of the Amendment was to rectify an omission made by the Commons, the same was agreed to.

Ordered, That the Amendment made by the Expiring Laws Continuance Act Lords to the Expiring Laws Continuance Bill be now taken into consideration.—(Colonel Leslie Wilson.)

The House accordingly proceeded to take the said Amendment into consideration.

The Lords’ Amendment, in p. 8, l. 32, leave out (“and twelve”), and insert (“twelve, thirteen, and fourteen”), being read a second time: And it appearing that the object of the Amendment was to rectify an omission made by the Commons, the same was 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 Message was delivered by Lieutenant Royal Assent, General Sir William Pulteney, K.C.B., K.C.M.G., D.S.O., Gentleman Usher of the Black Rod:

Mr. Speaker,

The Lords authorised by virtue of His Majesty’s Commission, for declaring His Royal Assent to several Acts agreed upon by both Houses, desire the immediate attendance of this Honourable House in the House of Peers, to hear the Commission read.

Accordingly Mr. Speaker, with the House, went up to the House of Peers:—And having returned;

Mr. Speaker reported, That the House, at the desire of the Lords authorised by virtue of His Majesty’s Commission, had been at the House of Peers, where a Commission under the Great Seal was read, giving, declaring, and notifying the Royal Assent to the several Acts therein mentioned; and that the Lords thereby authorised had declared the Royal Assent to the said Acts, as follow:

1. Appropriation Act, 1921.
2. Safeguarding of Industries Act, 1921.
5. Criminal Procedure (Scotland) Act, 1921.
6. Education Act, 1921.
7. Exchequer and Audit Departments Act, 1921.
10. Railways Act, 1921.
11. Supreme Court Officers (Retirement, Pensions, &c.) Act, 1921.

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The Order of the day being read, for taking into further consideration the Guardianship, &c., of Infants Bill, as amended in the Standing Committee:
Ordered, That the Bill be taken into further consideration to-morrow.

And it being after half-past Four of the clock, Mr. Speaker adjourned the House without Question put, pursuant to the Resolution of the House of the 26th day of July last, it being then twenty-four minutes after Five of the clock, till Tuesday the 18th day of October next, pursuant to the Resolution of the House of this day.

The House, according to Order, proceeded Edinburgh Corporation Order Confirmation Bill.

Ordered, That the Bill be read the third time to-morrow.

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 Adjournment, were delivered to the Librarian of the House of Commons during the Adjournment, pursuant to Standing Order No. 96:

Copy of Statement relating to the Employment of Ex-Service Men in Government Offices on 1st July 1919 and 1st July 1921, compiled from Returns furnished to the Treasury.

Copy of Statement showing the Staffs of Government Departments on 1st July 1921 compiled from Returns furnished to the Treasury.

Copy of Statement relating to the Employment of Ex-Service Men in Government Offices on 1st July 1919 and 1st August 1921, compiled from Returns furnished to the Treasury.

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Copy of Further Correspondence relating to Ireland the Proposals of His Majesty's Government for an Irish Settlement.

Copy of Rules, dated 19th September 1921, made by the Lord Lieutenant-General and (Ireland) General-Governor of Ireland with the consent of the Treasury, under Section 2 of the National School Teachers (Ireland) Act, 1879.

Copy of Sixty-third Annual Report of His Police Majesty's Inspector of Constabulary for (Scotland) Scotland for the year 1920.


Copy of Agreement between Great Britain and Denmark relating to the Suppression of the Capitulations in Egypt, Copenhagen, 14th July 1921.

Copy of Trade Agreement between France and Canada. Paris, 29th January 1921.

Copy of Report of His Majesty's Commissioners appointed to inquire into the admission of aliens into the United Kingdom of Great Britain and Ireland for purposes other than immediate slaughter at the Ports.

Ordered, That the said Paper do lie upon the Table.

Sir Arthur Griffiths-Bennoon presented, by the Secretary of State for India, a Report of the Committee appointed by the Secretary of State for India in pursuance of the Twenty-ninth Annual Meeting of Representatives of Sea Fisheries Authorities under the Sea Fisheries Regulation Act, 1883, on the 23rd June 1921.

Ordered, That the said Paper do lie upon the Table.
18th October, 1921.

Sir Alfred Mond presented, pursuant to the directions of several Acts of Parliament,—Copy of Provisional Regulations, dated 28th August 1921, made by the Minister of Health, as to the constitution of Insurance Committees in Wales, entitled the National Health Insurance (Insurance Committees) Amendment Regulations (No. 4), 1921.

Copy of Regulations, dated 17th October 1921, made by the Minister of Health, as to the constitution of Insurance Committees in Wales, entitled the National Health Insurance (Insurance Committees) Amendment Regulations (No. 4), 1921.

Copies of Orders made by several County Councils under Sections 57 and 59 of the Local Government Act, 1888, and confirmed by the Minister of Health.

Copy of Regulations, dated 13th September 1921, made by the Minister of Health, entitled the National Health Insurance (Insurance Committees) Amendment Regulations (No. 3), 1921.

Copy of Provisional Regulations, dated 28th September 1921, made by the Minister of Health, entitled the National Health Insurance (National Isles Insurance Committee) Regulations, 1921.

Copy of Eighteenth Annual Report of the Metropolitan Water Board for the year ended 31st March 1921.

Ordered, That the said Papers do lie upon the Table.

Sir Hamar Greenwood presented, by His Majesty's Command,—Copy of Twentieth Annual Report of the Department of Agriculture and Technical Instruction for Ireland.

Copy of Return of Advances made under the Irish Land Purchase Acts during the months of April, May, and June 1920.

Copy of Index to Estates comprised in Returns of Advances made under the Irish Land Acts, 1903-9, during the year 1919.

Copy of Report under the Intermediate Education (Ireland) Act, 1914, as to the application of the Teachers' Salaries Grant.

Sir Hamar Greenwood also presented, pursuant to the directions of an Act of Parliament,—Copy of Provisional Regulations, dated 30th September 1921, made by the National Health Insurance Joint Committee of the Irish Insurance Commissioners, setting jointly, entitled the National Health Insurance (Collection of Contributions) Regulations (Ireland), 1921.

Ordered, That the said Papers do lie upon the Table.

Mr. Hilton Young presented, by His Majesty's Command,—Copy of Statement showing the Staffs of Government Departments on 1st October 1921, compiled from Returns furnished to the Treasury.

Copy of Statement relating to the employment of Ex-Service men in Government Offices on 1st July 1919 and 1st October 1921, compiled from Returns furnished to the Treasury.

Mr. Hilton Young also presented, pursuant to the directions of several Acts of Parliament,—Copy of Treasury Order, dated 28th June 1921, regulating Fees in County Courts.

Copy of the Entertainments Duty Regulations, 1921, made by the Commissioners of Customs and Excise under Section 2 of the Finance (New Duties) Act, 1916, for securing the payment of Entertainments Duty.

Copy of Treasury Minute under the Superannuation Act, 1887, dated 21st September 1921, granting a Retired Allowance to Mr. Charles Lander, Assistant Warehouseman, His Majesty's Stationery Office.

Copy of Treasury Minute under the Superannuation Act, 1887, dated 19th August 1921, granting Retired Allowances to Mr. James Henry Walmsley, Superintendent Inspector of Factories, and Mr. Oswald Augustus Skinner, Inspector of Factories.

Copy of Treasury Minute under the Superannuation Act, 1884, dated 31st August 1921, declaring that Mr. Thomas Buchanan, Boy Porter, General Post Office, was appointed without a Civil Service Certificate through inadvertence on the part of the Head of his Department.

Ordered, That the said Papers do lie on the Table.

Mr. Secretary Guest presented, pursuant to Air Force the directions of an Act of Parliament,—Copy of Order under the Air Force (Constitution) Act, 1917, amending paragraph 22 of the Regulations appended to His Majesty's Order, dated 10th May 1919.

Copy of Order under the Air Force (Constitution) Act, 1917, to provide for the extension of the service of officers holding short service commissions in the Royal Air Force so as to complete five, six, or seven years in all on the active list.

Copy of Order under the Air Force (Constitution) Act, 1917, making provision for the pay and allowances and bounty of Airmen of Class B of the Royal Air Force Reserve who were recalled to the Colours for service during the state of emergency declared under the powers conferred by the Emergency Powers Act, 1920.

Copy of Order under the Air Force (Constitution) Act, 1917, providing for the appointment of Aides-de-Camp to His Majesty from Officers of the Royal Air Force and for the government and pay of Officers of the Royal Air Force so appointed.

Copy of Order under the Air Force (Constitution) Act, 1917, providing for the deletion of the occupation of gunnery instructor from the occupations specified in Group V., for the re-musterling to armurier (Group II.) of warrant officers, non commissioned officers, and other Airmen now employed as gunnery instructor (Group V.), and for the carrying out of their duties by fitters (armurier) (Group I.), and armuriers (Group II.).

Copy of Order under the Air Force (Constitution) Act, 1917, empowering the Air Council to make special agreements with Officers as to their pay, allowances, age for retirement, gravity on retirement, or retired pay, in exceptional circumstances.

Copy of Order under the Air Force (Constitution) Act, 1917, providing for the rates and conditions of issue of service pensions to Warrant Officers, Non-commissioned Officers, and other Airmen of the Royal Air Force.

Copy of Order under the Air Force (Constitution) Act, 1917, providing for the retired pay (Constitution) of Officers (Air Force) disabled, and for the pensions of the families and relatives of Officers deceased, and for the pensions of nurses disabled and of the relatives of nurses deceased, in consequence of the great war.
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Air Force
(Constitution) Act, 1917.

Copy of Order under the Air Force (Constitution) Act, 1917, providing for the payment of disability pensions and gratuities to widows, and of allowances to children and dependent relatives of Officers, Warrant Officers, Non-commissioned Officers, and other Airmen of the Royal Air Force discharged from the Royal Air Force as medically unfit for further service.

Air Force
(Constitution) Act, 1917.

Copy of Order under the Air Force (Constitution) Act, 1917, providing for the payment of disability pensions and gratuities to Airmen discharged from the Royal Air Force as medically unfit for further service.

Air Force
(Constitution) Act, 1917.

Copy of Order under the Air Force (Constitution) Act, 1917, revising the Widows' Pensions and Post-War Order and the Disability Pensions Act, 1917, the Orders being Orders made by His Majesty on 3rd October 1921.

Air Force
(Constitution) Act, 1917.

Copy of Order under the Air Force (Constitution) Act, 1917, providing for the payment of disability retired pay to Officers retained on the Active List of the Royal Air Force under the conditions laid down in the regulations appended to His Majesty's Order of the 4th May 1921, who may be invalided from the Royal Air Force (that is, retired or gazetted out of the Service as medically unfit) on or after the said date.

Air Force
(Constitution) Act, 1917.

Copy of Order under the Air Force (Constitution) Act, 1917, providing for the payment of disability retired pay and gratuities to officers invalided from the Royal Air Force (that is, retired or gazetted out of the Service as medically unfit) for further service.

Ordered, That the said Papers do lie upon the Table.

Mr. Arthur Balfour presented, pursuant to the directions of several Acts of Parliament,—

Air Force
(Constitution) Act, 1917.

Copy of Order in Council (Provisional), dated 10th August 1921, under the Air Force (Constitution) Act, 1917, entitled the Air Force (Application of Enactments) (No. 2) Order, 1921.


Copy of Order in Council, dated 10th August 1921, applying to Aircraft the Law relating to Wreck and Salvage.

Foreign
Jurisdiction
Act, 1890.

Copy of Order in Council, dated 10th August 1921, under the Foreign Jurisdiction Act, 1890, entitled the Kenya and Uganda (Currency) Order, 1921.

Government of
India Act, 1915.

Copy of Order in Council, dated 10th August 1921, under the Government of India Act, 1915, approving a statement of proposed New and Revised Appointments, &c., in the Establishment of the Secretary of State for India in Council.

Government of
Ireland Act, 1920.

Copies of Orders in Council (Provisional), under the Government of Ireland Act, 1920, dated 27th September 1921, entitled—

1. The General Adaptation of Enactments (Northern Ireland) Order, 1921.
2. The General Adaptation of Enactments (Southern Ireland) Order, 1921.
3. The Supreme Court of Judicature (Northern Ireland) Order, 1921.
4. The Supreme Court of Judicature (Southern Ireland) Order, 1921.

Naval and
Marine
Pay and
Pensions
Act, 1915.

Copies of Seven Orders in Council, under the Naval and Marine Pay and Pensions Act, 1865, dated 10th August 1921.

Representation of
the People
Act.

Copy of Order in Council, under the Representation of the People Acts, 1918 to 1920, dated 10th August 1921, further amending the Representation of the People Order.

Copies of Orders in Council under the Treaty of Peace (Hungary) Act, 1921, dated 10th Peace August 1921, entitled—

1. The Treaty of Peace (Hungary) Order, 1921.

Copy of Statute made under the Universities of Oxford and Cambridge Act, 1877, by the Oxford and Cambridge Governing Body of St. John's College, Cambridge, on 27th May 1921, and sealed on 17th (Cambridge) June 1921, amending Statutes XXX, XXXI, and XLIII, of the existing Statutes of the College.

Copy of Statute made under the Universities of Oxford and Cambridge Act, 1877, by the Oxford and Cambridge Governing Body of Sidney Sussex College, Cambridge, on 16th June 1921, and sealed on (Cambridge) the same day, in substitution for the existing Statutes of the College.


Copy of Statute made under the Universities of Oxford and Cambridge Act, 1877, and sealed by the Governing Body of Oriel College, Oxford, on 26th May 1921, amending Statute (Oxford) III. (17) and (22) of the existing Statutes of the College.


Copy of Statute made under the Universities of Oxford and Cambridge Act, 1877, by the Oxford and Cambridge Governing Body of Queen's College, Oxford, Act, 1877 on 8th June 1921, and sealed on 13th June 1921, (Oxford) amending the Statute as to Bedlifke Travelling Fellowships.

Ordered, That the said Papers do lie upon the Table.

Mr. Kellaway presented, by His Majesty's Post Office Command,—Copy of the Convention of Madrid, (Universal Postal Union), on 30th November 1920, relative to the Universal Postal Union.

Copy of Agreement for the Exchange of Post Office Insured Letters and Boxes, 30th November 1920, (Universal Postal Union), under the Universal Postal Union.

Ordered, That the said Papers do lie upon the Table.

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Mr. Macpherson presented, pursuant to the directions of an Act of Parliament,—Copy of Provisional Regulations, dated 21st September 1921, made by the Minister of Pensions under the War Pensions Acts, 1915 to 1921, entitled the War Pensions Committee (Control of Expenditure) Regulations, 1921.

Ordered, That the said Paper do lie upon the Table.

Mr. Speaker acquainted the House, That during the Adjournment he had issued Warrants to the Clerk of the Crown, to make out new Writs for the Election of Members to serve in this present Parliament—

For the Borough of Lewisham (West Division) in the room of Sir Edward Feetham Coates, Baronet, deceased.

For the County of the Parts of Lindsey (Louth Division) in the room of Thomas Winttingham, Esquire, deceased.

For the County of Lancaster (Westbourne Division) in the room of William Tyson Wilson, Esquire, deceased.

Morgan Jones, Esquire, Member for the County of Glamorgan (Caerphilly Division), was sworn.

Brigadier-General John Sanctuary Nicholson, C.B., C.M.G., C.B.E., D.S.O., Member for the Borough of Westminster (Abbey Division), was sworn.

Colonel Robert Peel Dawson Spencer Chichester, Member for the County of Londonderry (South Derry Division), was sworn.

Sir Philip Dawson, Member for the Borough of the Parts of Lindsey (Louth Division), was sworn.

Morgan Winttingham, Member for the County of the Parts of Lindsey (Louth Division), was sworn.

Rhys John Davies, Esquire, Member for the County of Lancaster (Westbourne Division), was sworn.

Ordered, That, for the remainder of the Session, Government Business shall not be interrupted under the provisions of any Standing Order regulating the Sittings of the House, and may be entered upon at any hour, although opposed, and shall have precedence at every Sitting, and that at the conclusion of Government Business each day, or of Proceedings made in pursuance of any Act of Parliament requiring any order, rule, or regulation to be laid before the House of Commons, which shall be taken immediately after 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 10.50 p.m. but, if that Business has not been so concluded, not later than 11.30 p.m.—(Mr. Austen Chamberlain.)

The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Juries Bill;

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time.

The Order of the day being read, for taking into further consideration the Guardianship, &c., of Infants Bill, as amended in the Standing Committee;

Ordered, That the Bill be taken into further consideration upon Tuesday next.

The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Government of Burma Bill (Lords);

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time upon Tuesday next.

A Motion being made, That this House will, to-morrow, resolve itself into a Committee to consider of increasing facilities for credit and of charging on the Consolidated Fund any money required for such purposes—(Mr. Austen Chamberlain);

Mr. Austen Chamberlain, by His Majesty's Command, acquainted the House that His Majesty, having been informed of the subject-matter of this Motion, recommends it to the consideration of the House.

Resolved, That this House will, to-morrow, resolve itself into the said Committee.

Whereupon Mr. Speaker, pursuant to the Adjournment, Order of the House of this day, 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 this day, it being then twelve minutes after Six of the clock, till to-morrow.

[No. 126.]

Wednesday, 19th October 1921.

The House met at a quarter of an hour before Three of the clock.

PRAYERS.

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.

The following Paper, presented by His Parliamentary Majesty's Command during the Autumn Adjournment, was delivered to the Librarian of the House of Commons during the Adjournment, pursuant to Standing Order No. 95:—

Copy of Return showing the number of Persons employed by the several Railway Companies of the United Kingdom during the week ended 19th March 1921.

Ordered, That the said Paper do lie upon the Table.

Mr. Secretary Shortt presented, pursuant to the directions of several Acts of Parliament,—Copy of Regulation, dated 18th—19th October.

Ordered, That this House will, to-morrow, resolve itself into the said Committee.

Copies of Licences under the Penal Servitude Acts, granted to two convicts discharging them from Liverpool Convict Prison on condition that they enter a home.
Copy of a Licence under the Penal Servitude Acts granted to Robert Holderness, to which is annexed a condition other than those contained in Schedule A of the Penal Servitude Act, 1864.

Copy of Charter of Incorporation of Acton, dated 22nd August 1921.

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 Borough of Derby:
Copy of Regulations, dated 23rd August 1921, made by the Secretary of State under the Factory and Workshop Act, 1901, for the manufacture of certain compounds of lead, namely, any carbonate, sulphate, nitrate, or acetate of lead.

Ordered, That the said Papers do lie upon the Table.

Mr. Hilton Young presented, by His Majesty's Command,—Estimate of the further sum required to be voted for the Civil Services for the year ending 31st March 1922.

Copy of Memorandum on Expenditure likely to be incurred under the Trade Facilities Bill.

Mr. Hilton Young also presented, pursuant to the directions of an Act of Parliament,—Copy of Regulations, dated 19th October 1921, made by the Treasury under Section 13 (6) of the Finance (No. 2) Act, 1915, relative to the Temporary Importation of Motor Cars.

Ordered, That the said Papers do lie upon the Table; and that the said Estimate be printed.

Mr. Kelkaway presented, pursuant to the directions of an Act of Parliament,—Copy of the Foreign and Colonial Parcel Post Warrant, 1921, dated 30th June 1921.

Ordered, That the said Paper do lie upon the Table.

Mr. Neal presented, pursuant to the directions of several Acts of Parliament,—Copy of Twelfth Annual Report, with Accounts, of the Port of London Authority for the year ended 31st March 1921.

Copies of Special Orders made by the Electricity Commissioners under the Electricity (Supply) Acts, and confirmed by the Minister of Transport in respect of—Borough of Dorchester, in the County of Dorset.

Urban District of Abercych, in the County of Monmouth.

Copy of Special Order made by the Electricity Commissioners, and confirmed by the Minister of Transport under the Electricity (Supply) Act, 1919, in respect of an arrangement made in pursuance of Section 19 of the Act, between the Mayor, Aldermen, and Burgesses of the Borough of Wolverhampton, and the Urban District Council of Cannock.

Ordered, That the said Papers do lie upon the Table; and that the Paper relative to Electricity (Supply) Acts be printed.

Mr. Marnane, supported by Lord Advocate, Mr. Solicitor General for Scotland, and Mr. Pratt, presented a Bill to authorise during a limited period the provision of poor relief to Bill 217.

The House, according to Order, resolved itself into a Committee on Trade Facilities [Guarantees and Overseas Trade].

(In the Committee.)
Resolved, That it is expedient:
1. To authorise the Treasury, with a view to the promotion of trade and of employment in the United Kingdom, to guarantee the payment of loans (of an aggregate capital amount not exceeding £25,000,000) to be applied towards the carrying out of capital undertakings or in the purchase of articles manufactured in the United Kingdom required for the purposes of any such undertakings, and to charge on the Consolidated Fund any moneys required for fulfilling any such guarantees.

2. To amend the Overseas Trade (Credits and Insurance) Act, 1920, and the Overseas Trade (Credits and Insurance) Amendment Act, 1921, by authorising the granting of credits and the giving of guarantees in connection with export transactions between the United Kingdom and any country whatsoever, and by extending the eighth day of September, nineteen hundred and twenty-seven, the period for the liquidation of credits granted under those Acts and the period during which guarantees given under those Acts may remain in force.—(The Prime Minister.)

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 Juries Bill, Second Reading of the Juries 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 18th day of this instant October, proposed the Question, That this House do now adjourn.

And the Question being put:—It was resolved in the Affirmative.

And accordingly the House, having continued to sit till twelve minutes after Eleven of the clock, adjourned till to-morrow.
Thursday, 20th October 1921.

The House met at a quarter of an hour before Three of the Clock.

PRAYERS.

STANDING Order 105 was read, and amended in l. 1, by leaving out from the word "Selection," to the word "shall," in l. 5; and in l. 10, by leaving out from the word "to" to the end of the Standing Order, and inserting the word "them" instead thereof.

Standing Order 136 was read, and amended in l. 8, by leaving out from the word "facts" to the word "to"; and, in l. 9, by leaving out from the word "Selection" to the word "who," in l. 11. —(The Deputy Chairman.)

Mr. Munro presented a Bill to confirm a Provisional Order under the Private Legislation Procedure (Scotland) Act, 1899, relating to Oban Burgh: And the same was read the first time, and ordered, under Section 9 of the Act, to be read a second time upon Friday the 28th day of this instant October; and to be printed.

Mr. Munro presented a Bill to confirm a Provisional Order under the Private Legislation Procedure (Scotland) Act, 1899, relating to Greenock Corporation: And the same was read the first time, and ordered, under Section 9 of the Act, to be read a second time upon Friday the 28th day of this instant October; and to be printed.

Mr. Munro presented a Bill to confirm a Provisional Order under the Private Legislation Procedure (Scotland) Act, 1899, relating to East Lothian County Buildings: And the same was ordered, under Section 7 of the Act, to be taken into consideration upon Monday next.

Sir Hamar Greenwood presented, pursuant to the directions of an Act of Parliament,—Copy of Order in Council under the Supreme Court of Judicature Act (Ireland), 1877, dated 10th October 1921, making Rules of the Supreme Court as to service of Writs of Summons as Statutory Rules.

Copy of Order in Council under the Supreme Court of Judicature Act (Ireland), 1877, dated 10th October 1921, making Rules of the Supreme Court as to Witnesses' Expenses as Statutory Rules.

Ordered, That the said Papers do lie upon the Table.

Mr. Baldwin presented, pursuant to the directions of an Act of Parliament,—Copy of Draft of Special Order proposed to be made by the Board of Trade under the Gas Regulation Act, 1920, on the application of the Hayling Island Gas Company, Limited.

Ordered, That the said Paper do lie upon the Table.

Mr. Secretary Montagu also presented, pursuant to the directions of an Act of Parliament, —Copy of Amendment, under Section 129A (1) of the Government of India Act, of Rule 14 of the Punjab Legislative Council Rules.

Ordered, That the said Papers do lie upon the Table.

Mr. Bridgesen presented, pursuant to the directions of an Act of Parliament,—Copy of Order under the Mines and Quarries, with Statistics, for 1920, by His Majesty's Chief Inspector of Mines. Part II. Labour.

Ordered, That the said Paper do lie upon the Table; and to be printed.

Sir Arthur Griffith-Boscawen presented, pursuant to the directions of an Act of Parliament,—Copy of Order under the Diseases of Animals Acts, entitling the Liverpool (Birkenhead) Landing of Animals Order of 1921 (No. 6).

Ordered, That the said Paper do lie upon the Table.

Dr. Macnamara presented, by His Majesty's Unemployed Workers' Committee, an Act, to be read a second time upon Friday the 28th day of this instant October; and to be printed.

Ordered, That the said Paper do lie upon the Table.

Resolved, That this House will, upon Monday Supply, next, resolve itself into a Committee to consider of the Supply to be granted to His Majesty.—(Colonel Leslie Wilson.)

Ordered, That the Estimate which was presented to this House on the 19th day of this instant October be referred to the Committee of Supply.

Resolved, That this House, will, upon Monday Ways and Means, next, resolve itself into a Committee to consider of the Ways and Means for raising the Supply to be granted to His Majesty.—(Colonel Leslie Wilson.)

Sir Alfred Mond, supported by Dr. Mac-Local Management, presented a Bill to make further provision with respect to the Metropolitan Common Poor Fund and with respect to rating and to the Bill.

Ordered, That the said Paper do lie upon the Table.

Mr. Walter Smith, supported by Mr. George Edwards, Mr. Clynes, Mr. Boyce, and Mr. Arthur Workers Bill, Henderson, presented a Bill to make further provision with respect to the employment of agricultural workers, and to certain dwelling-houses, and to rent and recovery of possession and ejectment in certain cases, and for purposes connected with the matters aforesaid: And the same was ordered to be read a second time upon Monday next; and to be printed.

Ordered, That this House, at its rising this Adjournment, day, do adjourn till Monday next.—(Mr. Austen Chamberlain.)

Mr. Neal reported from the Committee on Trade Facilities (Guarantees and Overseas Trade) a Resolution; which was read, as follows:—
That it is expedient:
1. To authorise the Treasury, with a view to the promotion of trade and employment in the United Kingdom, to guarantee the payment of loans (of an aggregate capital amount not exceeding £20,000,000) to be applied towards the carrying on of capital undertakings or in the purchase of articles manufactured in the United Kingdom required for the purposes of any such undertakings, and to charge on the Consolidated Fund any moneys required for fulfilling any such guarantees;
2. To amend the Overseas Trade (Credits and Insurance) Act, 1920, and the Overseas Trade (Credits and Insurance) Amendment Act, 1921, by authorising the granting of credits and the giving of guarantees in connection with such transactions between the United Kingdom and any country whatsoever, and by extending to the eighth day of September, nineteen hundred and twenty-seven, the period for the liquidation of credits granted under those Acts and the period during which guarantees given under those Acts may remain in force.

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 Prime Minister, Mr. Chancellor of the Exchequer, Mr. Hilton Young, and Sir Philip Lloyd-Greame do prepare and bring it in.

Mr. Hilton Young accordingly presented a Bill to authorise the Treasury to guarantee the payment of loans to be applied towards the carrying on of capital undertakings, or in the purchase of articles manufactured in the United Kingdom required for the purposes of any such undertakings, and to amend the Overseas Trade (Credits and Insurance) Act, 1920, and the Overseas Trade (Credits and Insurance) Amendment Act, 1921: 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 Unemployed Workers' Dependents (Temporary Provision) Bill;

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time upon Monday next.

The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Poor Law Emergency Provisions (Scotland) 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 out of moneys provided by Parliament, of any Contributions and Expenses incurred under any Act of the present Session to make temporary provision for the payment of grants to unemploy workers towards the maintenance of their wives and dependent children, and to suspend the operation of section twenty-seven of the Unemployment Insurance Act, 1920—(Colonel Leslie Wilson);

Mr. Austen Chamberlain, by His Majesty's Command, acquainted the House that His Majesty, having been informed of the subject, matter of this Motion, recommends it to the consideration of the House.

Resolved, That this House will, upon Monday next, resolve itself into the said Committee.

And it being after half-past Eleven of the clock, Mr. Speaker adjourned the House without Question put, pursuant to the Standing Order, it being then twenty-eight minutes before Twelve of the clock, till Monday next, pursuant to the Resolution of the House of this day.
Copy of Regulations, dated 19th October 1921, made by the Scottish Board of Health, entitled the National Health Insurance (Medical Benefits) Amendment Regulations (Scotland), 1921 (No. 2).

Ordered, That the said Papers do lie upon the Table.

Mr. Macpherson presented, by His Majesty's Command,—Copy of Royal Warrant, dated 26th September 1921, providing for the Increase of certain Pensions.

Ordered, That the said Paper do lie upon the Table.


Ordered, That the said Papers do lie upon the Table.

Six Hamar Greenwood also presented, pursuant to the directions of several Acts of Parliament,—Copy of Rules and Regulations, dated 28th August 1921, made by the Master of the Rolls, respecting the Fees to be payable for the public use of the Records in the Public Record Office of Ireland.

Ordered, That the said Paper do lie upon the Table.

Six Hamar Greenwood also presented, pursuant to the directions of an Act of Parliament,—Copy of Rules and Regulations, dated 28th August 1921, made by the Master of the Rolls, respecting the Fees to be payable for the public use of the Records in the Public Record Office of Ireland.

Ordered, That the said Paper do lie upon the Table.

Sir Laming Worthington-Evans presented, pursuant to the directions of an Act of Parliament,—Copy of Rules of Procedure under Section 70 of the Army Act.

Ordered, That the said Paper do lie upon the Table.

Sir Alfred Mond presented, by His Majesty's Command,—Copy of Statement showing the effect of the provisions of the Local Authorities (Financial Provisions) Bill with respect to the Metropolitan Common Poor Fund.

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:

Ordered, That the said Papers do lie upon the Table.

Sir Arthur Griffiths-Boscawen presented a Bill Forestry Bill, to modify temporarily the provisions of section three of the Forestry Act, 1919: 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 Unemployed Workers' Dependents (Temporary Provision) Bill;

And a Motion being made, and the Question being proposed, That the Bill be now read a second time:

An Amendment was proposed to be made to the Question, by leaving out from the word "That" to the end of the Question, and adding the words "whilst anxious to take every step calculated to relieve distress during the present unemployment crisis, this House cannot assent to the Second Reading of a Bill which provides inadequate assistance to some working-class families and no assistance to others, which adds to the burden on certain industries and imposes a further tax upon a section of the workers whilst exempting from direct contribution other and wealthier classes of the community, and which fails to recognise the full obligations of the State towards every citizen deprived of the means of livelihood,"—(Mr. Clynes),—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 Nos to the Left:

Tellers for the Yeas, Mr. McCurdy; Mr. Thomas Shaw; Mr. Arthur Henderson, 70.

So it was resolved in the Affirmative.

The Bill was read a second time.

Ordered, That the Bill be committed to a Committee on Unemployed Workers' Dependants (Temporary Provision) [Money].

The House, according to Order, resolved itself into a Committee on Unemployed Workers' Dependants (Temporary Provision) [Money].

(In the Committee.)

Motion made, and Question proposed, That, for the purpose of any Act of the present Session to make temporary provision for the payment of grants to unemployed workers towards the maintenance of their wives and dependent children, it is expedient to authorise the payment out of moneys provided by Parliament of—

(1) a contribution towards grants to be paid to unemployed workers during a period of six months not exceeding the amount determined by the Treasury to be approximately equivalent to the sum which would be produced by weekly contributions paid in respect of insured persons at the rate of threepence in the case of men, and twopence in the case of women, boys, and girls; and

(2) a sum not exceeding fifty-two shillings and sixpence in respect of every seaman, marine, soldier, or airman who is discharged from the service during the said period of six months, and in respect of whom a payment is made under section forty-one of the Unemployment Insurance Act, 1920; and
Amendment proposed, in l. 3, to leave out the words "and dependent children."—(Lieutenant-Commander Kenworthy.)

Question proposed, That the words proposed to be left out stand part of the Question:—Amendment, by leave, withdrawn.

Another Amendment proposed, in l. 7, to leave out from the word "the" to the word "and," in l. 10, in order to insert the words "trade union rates of wages paid in the district in which the unemployed person resides."—(Mr. Neil Maclean.)

Question, That the words proposed to be left out stand part of the Question, put, and agreed to.

Main Question put, and agreed to.

Resolution to be reported.

Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair; and the Deputy Chairman reported, That the Committee had come to a Resolution.

Ordered, That the Report be received to-morrow.

The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Poor Law Emergency Provisions (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 Trade 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 Local Authorities (Financial 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 Juries Bill;

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time upon Monday next.

The Order of the day being read, for the Committee of Supply;

Resolved, That this House will, to-morrow, resolve itself into the said Committee.

The Order of the day being read, for 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 18th day of this instant October, 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 Eleven of the clock, adjourned till to-morrow.
Copy of Amendment of No. 34 of the Statutes of the University of London, University College, under the University of London Act, 1898, and the University College London (Transfer) Act, 1905.

Copy of Amendment of No. 52 of the Statutes for the Constitution and Management of the University of London, King’s College, under the University of London Act, 1898, and the King’s College London (Transfer) Act, 1906.

Ordered, That the said Papers do lie upon the Table.

The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Trade Facilities Bill;

And a Motion being made, and the Question being proposed, That the Bill be now read a second time;—And a Debate arising thereupon;

Major Nall rose in his place and claimed to move, That the Question be now put; but Mr. Speaker withheld his assent, and declined then to put that Question;—Then the House resumed the Debate.

And 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.

—(Colonel Leslie Wilson.)

Dr. Macnamara reported from the Committee on Unemployed Workers’ Dependents (Temporary Provision) [Money] a Resolution; which was read, as followeth:

That, for the purpose of any Act of the present Session to make temporary provision for the payment of grants to unemployed workers towards the maintenance of their wives and dependent children, it is expedient to authorise the payment out of moneys provided by Parliament of—

(1) a contribution towards grants to be paid to unemployed workers during a period of six months not exceeding the amount determined by the Treasury to be approximately equivalent to the sum which would be produced by weekly contributions paid in respect of insured persons at the rate of threepence in the case of women, boys, and girls; and

(2) a sum not exceeding fifty-two shillings and sixpence in respect of every seaman, marine, soldier, or airman, who is discharged from the service during the said period of six months, and in respect of whom a payment is made under section forty-one of the Unemployment Insurance Act, 1920; and

(3) any expenses incurred by the Minister of Labour and any other departments for the purposes of or in connection with the said Act.

The said Resolution, being read a second time, was agreed to.

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 Authorities (Financial Provisions) Bill;

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time to-morrow.

The Order of the day being read, for the Unemployed Workers’ Dependents (Temporary Provision) Bill;

Resolved, That this House will, to-morrow, Bill, resolve itself into the said Committee.

The Order of the day being read, for taking Guardianship, of Infants Bill, as amended in the Standing Committee;

Ordered, That the Bill be taken into further consideration upon Tuesday next.
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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:—It passed in the Negative.

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 twelve minutes after Twelve of the clock on Wednesday morning, till this day.

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[No. 130.]

**Wednesday, 26th October 1921.**

The House met at a quarter of an hour before Three of the clock.

**PRAYERS.**

The House of Refuge (Montrose)

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. Munro, presented a Bill to confirm a Provisional Order under the Private Legislation Procedure (Scotland) Act, 1899, relating to the Church of Scotland (General Trustees); and the same was ordered, under Section 7 of the Act, to be taken into consideration to-morrow.

Mr. Munro, presented a Bill to confirm a Provisional Order under the Private Legislation Procedure (Scotland) Act, 1899, relating to Dundee 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 3rd day of November next; and to be printed.

Ordered, That Mr. Speaker do issue his Warrant to the Clerk of the Crown, to make out a new Writ for the electing of a Member to serve in this present Parliament for the Borough of Hornsey, in the room of William Kennedy Jones, Esquire, deceased. —(Colonel Leslie Wilson.)

Sir Hamar Greenwood presented, pursuant to the directions of an Act of Parliament,—Copy of Regulations, dated 7th September 1921, made by the Department of Agriculture and Technical Instruction for Ireland under the Seeds Act, 1920, entitled the Seeds Regulations (Ireland), 1921.

Ordered, That the said Paper do lie upon the Table.

Mr. Secretary Shortt presented, pursuant to the directions of an Act of Parliament,—Copy of Order made under the Shops Act, 1912, by the Council of the under-mentioned Local Authority, and certified by the Secretary of State for the Home Department:—

Urban District of Hendon.

Ordered, That the said Paper do lie upon the Table.

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Sir Alfred Mond, supported by Sir Hamar Greenwood and Mr. Munro, presented a Bill to extend temporarily the period during which persons who are unemployed may remain insured under the general provisions of the National Health Insurance Acts, 1911 to 1921: 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 Unemployed Workers' Dependants (Temporary Provision) Bill.

(In the Committee.)

Clause No. 1 (Grants for maintenance of wife and children of unemployed workers).

Amendments made.

Another Amendment proposed, in p. 1, l. 18, to leave out the word "five," in order to insert the word "ten."—(Mr. Neil Maclean.)

Question put, That the word "five" stand part of the Clause;

The Committee divided.

Tellers for the Yeas, Mr. Macdonald:—

Tellers for the Noes, Mr. Fred Hall:—

Another Amendment made.

Another Amendment proposed, in p. 1, l. 18, to leave out the words "one shilling in respect of each dependent child," in order to insert the words "seven shillings and sixpence in respect of the first dependent child, and six shillings in respect of each other dependent child."—(Mr. Neil Maclean.)

Question proposed, That the words proposed to be left out stand part of the Clause:

Whereupon Motion made, and Question, That the Chairman do report Progress, and ask leave to sit again,—(Sir Donald Maclean),—put, and negatived.

Original Question put, and agreed to.

Mr. John Jones, Member for Silvertown, Chairman having conducted himself in a grossly disorderly manner, the Chairman, in pursuance of Standing Order No. 20 relating to disorderly conduct, ordered Mr. Jones to withdraw immediately from the House and its precincts during the remainder of this day's sitting; and the Honourable Member withdrew accordingly.

Another Amendment proposed, in p. 1, to leave out Is. 20 and 21.—(Mr. Broad.)

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, to leave out from the word "husband" to the end of l. 22.—(Colonel Null.)

Question proposed, That the words "and includes a person who " stand part of the Clause:—Amendment, by leave, withdrawn.

Other Amendments made.

Another Amendment proposed, in p. 2, l. 24, to leave out the word "fourteen," in order to insert the word "sixteen."—(Lieutenant-Commander Kenworthy.)

Question, That the word "fourteen" stand part of the Clause, put, and agreed to.

Clause, as amended, agreed to.
Clause No. 2 (Provision of funds for purposes of the Act).

Amendment proposed, in p. 2, l. 35, to leave out from the word "Act" to the word "there," in l. 41.—(Major Barnes.)

Question put, That the word "every" stand part of the Clause;

The Committee divided.


Another Amendment proposed, in p. 3, l. 6, at the end to insert the words,—

"Provided no contribution shall be payable under this section by either an employed person or the employer of such person unless the employed person is employed for more than four days per week."—(Major Gray.)

Question, That those words be there inserted, put, and negatived.

An Amendment made.

Another Amendment proposed, in p. 4, l. 14, at the end to insert the words,—

"(6) If it appears to the Treasury at any time that the rates of contributions under this Act are insufficient to meet the liabilities of the Unemployed Workers' Dependents Fund the Minister of Labour shall, if the Treasury so direct, by order make such temporary modifications in the rates of the grants as he thinks necessary in the circumstances of the case."

An order being made under this subsection the Minister shall cause the order, together with a special report as to the reasons for making the order, to be laid before Parliament."—(Dr. Macnamara.)

Question put, That those words be there inserted;

The Committee divided.


Another Amendment made.

Clause, as amended, agreed to.

Clauses No. 3 and No. 4 agreed to.

Clauses No. 6 to No. 8 agreed to.

Clause No. 9 (Short title, application and duration).

Amendment proposed, in p. 6, to leave out l. 35, in order to insert the words,—

"(2) In the application of this Act to Ireland a reference to a court of referees shall be substituted for the reference to a local employment committee, and for the purposes of section six of the Government of Ireland Act, 1920, this Act shall be deemed to be an Act passed before the appointed day."—(Dr. Macnamara.)

Question put, That the words proposed to be left out stand part of the Clause;

The Committee divided.

Tellers for the Noes, [Mr. McCurdy : ] 122.

Proposed words there inserted.

Clause, as amended, agreed to.

Schedule agreed to.

Title amended.

Bill, as amended, to be reported.

Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair; and the Chairman of Ways and Means reported, That the Committee had gone through the Bill; and had amended the Title, as followeth:—A Bill to make temporary provision for the payment of amended; grants to unemployed workers towards the maintenance of their wives, dependent husbands and dependent children, and to suspend the operation of section twenty-seven of the Unemployment Insurance Act, 1920.

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 Second Reading of the Poor Law Emergency Provisions (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 Forestry Bill;

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time to-morrow.

The Order of the day being read, for the Local Second Reading of the Local Authorities (Financial Provisions) Bill;

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time to-morrow.

The Order of the day being read, for the Supply Committee on the Trade Facilities Bill;

Resolved, That this House will, to-morrow, resolve itself into the said Committee.

The Order of the day being read, for the Local Second Reading of the Local Authorities (Financial Provisions) Bill;

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time to-morrow.

The Order of the day being read, for the Supply Committee of Ways and Means;

Resolved, That this House will, to-morrow, resolve itself into the said Committee.

Ordered, That Captain O'Grady be added to the Select Committee on House of Commons Commons (Kitchen and Refreshment Rooms).—(Colonel Gibbs.)

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 sixteen minutes before Twelve of the clock, till to-morrow.
[No. 131.]
Thursday, 27th October 1921.

The House met at a quarter of an hour before Three of the clock.

PRAYERS.

THE House, according to Order, proceeded to take into consideration the Church of Scotland (General Trustees) Order Confirmation Bill.

Ordered, That the Bill be read the third time upon Monday next.

Ordered, That the Bill be read the third time upon Monday next.

Mr. Hilton Young presented, by His Majesty’s Command,—Estimate of a further sum required to be voted for the Civil Services for the year ending 31st March 1922.

Ordered, That the said Estimate be referred to the Committee of Supply; and be printed.

Ordered, That the said Estimate be referred to the Committee of Supply; and be printed.

Sir Hamar Greenwood presented, pursuant to the directions of an Act of Parliament,—Copy of the Black Scab in Potatoes (Special Areas, Ireland) (No. 2) Order, 1921, dated 11th October 1921, made by the Department of Agriculture and Technical Instruction for Ireland under the Destructive Insects and Pests Acts.

Ordered, That the said Paper do lie upon the Table.

Sir Arthur Griffith-Boscawen presented, pursuant to the directions of an Act of Parliament,—Copy of Order under the Destructive Insects and Pests Acts, dated 22nd October 1921, entitled the Onion Smut Order of 1921.

Ordered, That the said Paper do lie upon the Table.

Mr. Secretary Shortt 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:

Borough of Llanelli.

Ordered, That the said Paper do lie upon the Table.

The House, according to Order, resolved itself into a Committee on the Trade Facilities Bill.

(In the Committee.)

Clause No. 1 (Power of Treasury to guarantee loans).

An Amendment made.

Another Amendment proposed, in p. 1, l. 7, after the word “raised,” to insert the words “before or after the commencement of this Act.”—(Sir J. D. Ross.)

Question, That those words be there inserted, put, and negatived.

Another Amendment proposed, in p. 1, l. 8, to leave out the words “any government.”—(Colonel Wedgwood.)

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. 9, to leave out the words “corporation or other body of persons,” in order to insert the words “statutory authority.”—(Mr. William Graham.)

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. 9, after the word “corporation,” to insert the word “company.”—(Sir J. D. Ross.)

Question proposed, That the word “company” be there inserted.—Amendment, by leave, withdrawn.

Another Amendment proposed, in p. 1, l. 11, after the word “undertaking,” to insert the words “not connected with any industry protected under the Safeguarding of Industries Act.”—(Mr. Kiley.)

Question proposed, That those words be there inserted.—Amendment, by leave, withdrawn.

Another Amendment proposed, in p. 1, l. 11, after the word “undertaking,” to insert the words “which will be either immediately or prospectively remunerative.”—(Major Mackenzie Wood.)

Question, That those words be there inserted, put, and negatived.

Another Amendment proposed, in p. 1, l. 12, after the word “purchase, to insert the words “at current market prices.”—(Major Mackenzie Wood.)

Question, That those words be there inserted, put, and negatived.

Other Amendments made.

Another Amendment proposed, in p. 1, l. 16, after the word “Kingdom,” to insert the words “and that the loan cannot be raised on the same terms in respect of interest unless guaranteed by the Treasury as hereinafter provided.”—(Mr. Newbold.)

Question, That those words be there inserted, put, and negatived.

Another Amendment proposed, in p. 1, l. 20, at the end to insert the words, “Provided that in every case where a guarantee is given it shall be a condition that the Treasury shall supervise any expenditure incurred as a result of the guarantee.”—(Mr. Thomas Shaw.)

Question proposed, That those words be there inserted, put, and negatived.

Another Amendment proposed, in p. 1, l. 20, at the end to insert the words, “Provided, however, that any corporation or other body of persons who may propose to take advantage of such Treasury assistance shall agree to add to their board of directors such nominee as His Majesty’s Government may direct, who shall have the duty of reporting to Parliament any action by his board which he holds to be to the disadvantage of the Treasury or contrary to the intentions of Parliament in passing this Act.”—(Colonel Wedgwood.)

Question proposed, That those words be there inserted.—Amendment, by leave, withdrawn.
Another Amendment proposed, in p. 1, l. 20, at the end to insert the words,—

"Provided, however, that among the prescribed tenors shall be such as will prevent a liability falling upon the Exchequer for the payment of interest on any loan during the construction of the capital undertaking and prior to the undertaking becoming a dividend-earning one."—(Colonel Wedgwood.)

Question proposed, That those words be there inserted, put, and negative.

Another Amendment proposed, in p. 2, l. 6, to leave out the word "twelve," in order to insert the word "six."—(Lieutenant-Commander Kenworthy.)

Question proposed, That the word "twelve" stand part of the Clause:—Amendment, by leave, withdrawn.

Another Amendment proposed, in p. 2, l. 19, after the word "guarantees," to insert the word "and the circumstances under which each guarantee was."—(Lieutenant-Commander Kenworthy.)

Question proposed, That those words be there inserted:—Amendment, by leave, withdrawn.

Another Amendment made.

Another Amendment proposed, in p. 2, l. 26, at the end to insert the words "and such necessary details of each transaction as may be required for the information of Parliament."—(Lieutenant-Commander Kenworthy.)

Question proposed, That those words be there inserted:—Amendment, by leave, withdrawn.

Clause, as amended, agreed to.

Clause No. 2 (Amendment of 10 & 11 Geo. 5. c. 29, and 11 & 12 Geo. 5. c. 36).

Amendment proposed, in p. 2, l. 30, to leave out subsection (1).—(Mr. Mosley.)

Question, That the words proposed to be left out, to the word "between" in l. 36, stand part of the Clause, put, and agreed to.

An Amendment made.

Another Amendment proposed, in p. 2, l. 37, at the end to insert the words "including transactions in respect of goods exported from the United Kingdom before the passing of this Act but not yet accepted or paid for by the buyer."—(Colonel Hurst.)

Question, That those words be there inserted, put, and negatived.

Another Amendment proposed, in p. 2, l. 37, at the end to insert the words,—

"And it is hereby declared that the expression 'goods wholly or partially produced or manufactured in the United Kingdom,' referred to in section one, subsection (1) (a), of the principal Act, shall be deemed to include herrings caught by British vessels and cured in the United Kingdom."—(Sir Edward Beaucamp.)

Question proposed, That those words be there inserted:—Amendment, by leave, withdrawn.

Another Amendment proposed, in p. 3, l. 37, at the end to insert the words,—

"Provided, however, that the Department of Overseas Trade shall not issue credits in cases where they deem that they will be used to assist in the sale of surplus stocks held by merchants at prices manifestly above current prices."—(Colonel Wedgwood.)

Question, That those words be there inserted, put, and negatived.

Clause, as amended, agreed to.

Clause No. 3 agreed to.

Schedule agreed to.

Bill, as amended, to be reported.

Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair; and the Chairman of Ways and Means reported, That the Committee had gone through the Bill.

Ordered, That the Bill, as amended in the Committee, be taken into consideration to-morrow; and be printed.

The Poor Law Emergency Provisions (Scotland) 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.—(Colonel Leslie Wilson.)

The Forestry Bill was, according to Order, Forestry Bill read a second time.

Resolved, That this House will immediately resolve itself into the Committee on the Bill.—(Sir Arthur Griffith-Bessemer.)

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 Sir John Gilmour 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 Local Second Reading of the Local Authorities (Financial Provisions) Bill;

Ordered, That the Bill be a read a second time to-morrow.

The Order of the day being read, for taking into consideration the 'Unemployed Workers' Dependents (Temporary Provision) 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 Health Insurance (Prolongation of Insurance) Bill;

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time to-morrow.

The Order of the day being read, for the Supply Committee of Supply;

Resolved, That this House will, to-morrow, resolve itself into the said Committee.

The Order of the day being read, for the Ways and Means Committee of Ways and Means;

Resolved, That this House will, to-morrow, resolve itself into the said Committee.

And it being after half-past Eleven of the Adjournment, 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.
The House met at Eleven of the clock.

**Prayers.**

The Order of the day being read, for the Supply, Committee of Supply:
Resolved, That this House will, upon Monday next, resolve itself into the said Committee.

The Order of the day being read, for the Ways and Means 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 five minutes before Four of the clock, till Monday next.

**Prayers.**

The Church of Scotland (General Trustees) Church of Scotland Order Confirmation Bill, as 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 Oban Burgh take into consideration the Oban Burgh Order Confirmation Bill.

Ordered, That the Bill be read the third time to-morrow.

The House, according to Order, proceeded to Greenock Corporation take into consideration the Greenock Corporation Order Confirmation Bill.

Ordered, That the Bill be read the third time to-morrow.

The Lord Advocate presented, pursuant to Register the directions of several Acts of Parliament, — Copy of Minute by the Secretary for Scotland regulating the Office of the Register of Deeds in Edinburgh and the Office of the Register of Staines in connection with the substitution of Typewriting for Engrossing.

Copy of Orders made under the Shops Act, Shops Act, 1912, by the Council of the undermentioned Local Authority, and confirmed by the Secretary for Scotland:

Burgh of Kilsyth.

Ordered, That the said Paper do lie upon the Table.

Mr. Secretary Churchill presented, by His Majesty's Command,—Copy of Report of the Commission of Inquiry into the Disturbances in Palestine in May 1921, with correspondence relating thereto.

Ordered, That the said Paper do lie upon the Table.

Mr. Baldwin presented, pursuant to the directions of an Act of Parliament,—Copy of Regulation Draft of Special Order proposed to be made by the Board of Trade under the Gas Regulation Act, 1920, on the application of the Wisbech Lighting Company.

Ordered, That the said Paper do lie upon the Table.
Sir Alfred Mond presented, pursuant to the directions of an Act of Parliament,—Copy of Regulations, dated 28th October 1921, made by the National Health Insurance Joint Committee, entitled the National Health Insurance (Central Fund) Regulations, 1921.

Ordered, That the said Paper do lie upon the Table.

A Motion was made, and the Question being proposed, That this House views with grave apprehension the action of the Government in entering into negotiations with delegates from Southern Ireland who have taken an oath of allegiance to an Irish republic and have repudiated the authority of the Crown; and, in view of the fact that an Act of Parliament for the settlement of the relations between Great Britain and Ireland was passed as recently as last year, is of opinion that no proposals for the government of Southern Ireland should be made without the sanction of Parliament—(Colonel Sir John Hope)—And a debate arising thereupon;

Mr. Deputy Speaker, pursuant to Standing Order No. 20, relating to disorderly conduct, ordered Mr. John Jones, Member for Silvertown, to withdraw immediately from the House during the remainder of this day's sitting; and the Honourable Member withdrew accordingly.

And the Question being again proposed:—The House resumed the Debate.

Mr. A. Chamberlain rose in his place, and claimed to move, That the Question be now put.

And the Question being put, That the Question be now put.—It was resolved in the Affirmative.

And the Question being accordingly put, That this House views with grave apprehension the action of the Government in entering into negotiations with delegates from Southern Ireland who have taken an oath of allegiance to an Irish republic and have repudiated the authority of the Crown; and, in view of the fact that an Act of Parliament for the settlement of the relations between Great Britain and Ireland was passed as recently as last year, is of opinion that no proposals for the government of Southern Ireland should be made without the sanction of Parliament;

The House divided.

The Yeas to the Right;  
Tellers for the Colonel Gretton,  
Yea, Mr. Rupert Guyaus : 43, 
Tellers for the Colonel Leslie Wilson,  
Noes, Mr. McCurdy : 439. 
So it passed in the Negative.

The House, according to Order, resolved itself into a Committee on the Poor Law Emergency Provisions (Scotland) Bill.

(In the Committee.)

Clause No. 1 (Poor relief to destitute able-bodied persons out of employment).

Amendment proposed, in p. 1, l. 15, to leave out the words "destitute and,"—(Mr. Neil Maclean).

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. 15, at the end to insert the words, 

Provided that if the assessment for poor rate in any parish shall exceed four shillings in the pound of the annual valuation of the parish the parish council shall certify to the Scottish Board of Health that they are unable to provide relief for the destitute able-bodied persons out of employment in that parish.—(Colonel Sir John Hope.)

Question proposed, That those words be there inserted;

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Question put, and negatived.

Another Amendment proposed, in p. 1, l. 16, after the word "Act," to insert the words "except those relating to the recovery of expenses from the parish of settlement shall."—(Mr. Neil Maclean).

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. MacCallum Scott), put, and agreed to.

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 Order of the day being read, for the Committee on the Local Authorities (Financial Provisions) Bill.

Resolved, That this House will, this day, resolve itself into the said Committee.

The Order of the day being read, for the Committee on the National Health Insurance (Prolongation of Insurance) Bill;

Resolved, That this House will, this day, resolve itself into the said Committee.

The Order of the day being read, for taking into consideration the Trade Facilities Bill, as amended in the Committee;

Ordered, That the Bill be taken into consideration this day.

The Order of the day being read for taking into consideration the Unemployed Workers' Dependants (Temporary Provision) Bill, as amended in the Committee;

Ordered, That the Bill be taken into consideration this day.

The Order of the day being read, for the 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 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 Juries Bill;

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time upon Monday next.

And it being after half-past Eleven of the Adjournment, the clock on Monday evening, Mr. Deputy Speaker adjourned the House without Question put, pursuant to the Standing Order, it being then two minutes after One of the clock on Tuesday morning, till this day.
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[No. 134.]

Tuesday, 1st November 1921.

The House met at a quarter of an hour before Three of the clock.

PRAYERS.

The House considered the Oban Burgh Order Confirmation Bill, as suggested by the Clerk, 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 considered the Greenock Corporation Order Confirmation Bill, as suggested by the Clerk, 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 considered the Perth Corporation (Waterworks &c.) Order Confirmation Bill, as suggested by the Clerk, 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 considered the Representation of the People Acts, as suggested by the Clerk, was, according to Order, read the third time and passed.

Ordered, That the said Paper do lie upon the Table.

The House considered the Wheat Supplies (Royal Commission) Bill, as suggested by the Clerk, was, according to Order, read the third time and passed.

Ordered, That the said Paper do lie upon the Table.

The House considered the Workmen’s Compensation Bill, as suggested by the Clerk, was, according to Order, read the third time and passed.

Ordered, That the said Paper do lie upon the Table.

Mr. Clement Edwards, Mr. Donald, Mr. James Walton, Mr. Casey, Mr. Jephcott, Captain Boyce and Captain Gee, presented a Bill to arrest strikes and lock-outs for a period of five years; and the same was ordered to be read a second time upon Monday next; and to be printed.

Mr. Thomas Davies presented a Bill to amend the Education Act, 1921: And the same was ordered to be read a second time upon Monday next; and to be printed.

The House, according to Order, proceeded to take into consideration the Unemployed Workers’ Dependents (Temporary Provision) Bill, as amended in the Committee.

An Amendment was proposed to be made to the Bill, in p. 1, l. 10, after the word “wife,” by inserting the words “or of any woman who for six months prior to the coming into operation of this Act has been living with him in the place of a wife.”—(Mr. Jephcott.)

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. 15, by inserting, after the word “wholly,” the words “or partly.”—(Mr. Clynes.)

And the Question being put, That the words “or partly” be there inserted in the Bill:—

The House divided.

The Yeas to the Right;

The Noes to the Left;

Tellers for the (Mr. Griffiths),

Yea, (Mr. Fred Hall) 77.

Tellers for the (Colonel Leslie Wilson),

Noes, (Mr. Dudley Ward) 198.

So it passed in the Negative.

Then an Amendment was made to the Bill.

Another Amendment was proposed to be made to the Bill, in p. 2, l. 7, by leaving out the word “five,” and inserting the word “ten,”—(Mr. Griffiths)—instead thereof.

And the Question being put, That the word “five” stand part of the Bill:—

The House divided.

The Yeas to the Right;

The Noes to the Left;

Tellers for the (Colonel Leslie Wilson),

Yea, (Mr. Dudley Ward) 212.

Tellers for the (Mr. Griffiths),

Noes, (Mr. Lawson) 88.

So it was resolved in the Affirmative.

Another Amendment was proposed to be made to the Bill, in p. 2, l. 8, by leaving out the words “one shilling,” and inserting the words “two shillings,”—(Colonel Henderson),—instead thereof.

And the Question being put, That the words “one shilling” stand part of the Bill:—

The House divided.

The Yeas to the Right;

The Noes to the Left;

Tellers for the (Colonel Leslie Wilson),

Yea, (Mr. McCurdy) 145.

Tellers for the (Colonel Henderson),

Noes, (Captain Elliot) 112.

So it was resolved in the Affirmative.

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Then other Amendments were made to the Bill.

Another Amendment was proposed to be made to the Bill, in p. 2, l. 34, by inserting, after the words "on whom," the words "has lived with him and."

And the Question being proposed, That those words be there inserted in the Bill:—The said proposed Amendment was, with leave of the House, withdrawn.

Another Amendment was proposed to be made to the Bill, in p. 2, l. 41, by leaving out the word "fourteen," and inserting the word "sixteen."—(Mr. Neil Maclean),—instead thereof.

And the Question being proposed, That the word "fourteen" stand part of the Bill:—The said proposed Amendment was, with leave of the House, withdrawn.

Then other Amendments were made to the Bill.

Another Amendment was proposed to be made to the Bill, in p. 3, l. 24, by inserting at the end thereof the words,—

"Provided that any employed person who is not employed for more than two days in any one week shall be exempt from payment of contribution in respect of that week."—(Mr. Trevelyan Thomson).

And the Question being proposed, That those words be there inserted in the Bill:—The said proposed Amendment was, with leave of the House, withdrawn.

Another Amendment was proposed to be made to the Bill, in p. 3, l. 24, by inserting at the end thereof the words,—

"Provided that any employed person whose wages for any one week do not exceed thirty shillings shall be exempt from payment of contribution in respect of that week."—(Mr. Sexton).

And the Question being put, That those words be there inserted in the Bill:—The House divided.

The Yeas were—
Mr. Griffiths,
Col. Leslie Wilson,
Mr. McCurdy.

The Noes were—
Mr. Fred Hall.

So it passed in the Negative.

Then another Amendment was made to the Bill.

A Motion was 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;—
Order, That the Bill be now read the third time:—The Bill was accordingly read the third time and passed.

Order, 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 Poor Law Emergency
Provisions (Scotland) Bill;

Resolved, That this House will, this day, resolve itself into the said Committee.

The Order of the day being read, for the
National Health Insurance
(Prolongation of Insurance) Bill;

Resolved, That this House will, this day, resolve itself into the said Committee.

The Order of the day being read, for taking Guardianship of Infants Bill, as amended in the Standing Committee;

Ordered, That the Bill be taken into further consideration this day.

The Order of the day being read, for the Government Second Reading of the Government of Burma Bill [Lords];

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time upon Tuesday next.

The Order of the day being read, for the Local Authorities (Financial Provisions) Bill;

Resolved, That this House will, this day, resolve itself into the said Committee.

The Order of the day being read, for taking Trade into consideration the Trade Facilities Bill, as amended in the Committee;

Ordered, That the Bill be taken into consideration this day.

The Order of the day being read, for the 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, the clock on Tuesday evening, Mr. Speaker adjourned the House without Question put, pursuant to the Standing Order, it being then sixteen minutes after Twelve of the clock on Wednesday morning, till this day.

[No. 135.]

Wednesday, 2nd November 1921.

The House met at a quarter of an hour before Three of the clock.

PRAYERS.

The House, according to Order, proceeded to Perth
take into consideration the Perth Corpora-
tion (Waterworks, &c.) Order Confirmation Bill.

Ordered, That the Bill be now read the third
time:—The Bill was accordingly read the third
time and passed.

Ordered, That the Clerk do carry the Bill to
the Lords, and desire their concurrence.

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A Public Petition was presented, and read; and ordered to lie upon the Table.

Dr. Macnamara presented, pursuant to the directions of an Act of Parliament,—Copy of Regulations, dated 29th October 1921, made by the Minister of Labour under the Unemployment Insurance Act, 1920, entitled the Unemployment Insurance (Benefit) (Amendment) (No. 2) Regulations, 1921.

Ordered, That the said Paper do lie upon the Table.

Mr. Amery presented, by His Majesty's Command,—Estimate of the further sum required to be voted for the Navy for the year ending 31st March 1922.

Ordered, That the said Estimate be referred to the Committee of Supply; and be printed.

Secretary Sir Laming Worthington-Evans presented, by His Majesty's Command,—Estimate of the further amount that will be required during the year ending 31st March 1922 to meet Expenditure not provided for in the original Army Estimates of the year, in respect of the coal stoppage.

Ordered, That the said Estimate be referred to the Committee of Supply; and be printed.

Message from the Lords.

The House, according to Order, proceeded to take into consideration the Trade Facilities Bill, as amended in the Committee.

And an Amendment was made to the Bill.

Ordered, That the Bill be read the third time to-morrow.

The House, according to Order, resolved itself into a Committee on the Poor Law Emergency Provisions (Scotland) Bill.

(In the Committee.)

Clause No 1 (Poor relief to destitute able-bodied persons out of employment).

Another Amendment proposed, in p. 1, l. 16, after the word "Act," to insert the words "except those relating to the recovery of expenses from the parish of settlement shall."—(Colonel Sir John Hope.)

Question again proposed, That those words be there inserted:—Amendment, by leave, withdrawn.

Another Amendment made.

Clause, as amended, agreed to.

Clause No. 2 (Loans to parish council in connection with destitute able-bodied persons out of employment).

Another Amendment proposed, in p. 2, l. 16, after the word "repaid," to insert the words "in such manner and either in one sum or by instalments, as the parish council may arrange with a lender, and the principal sum borrowed shall bear interest at such rates varying from time to time as the parish council may be able to arrange with a lender, but such repayment shall be."—(Colonel Sir John Hope.)

Question proposed, That those words be there inserted:—Amendment, by leave, withdrawn.

Another Amendment proposed, in p. 2, l. 17, to leave out the word "five" in order to insert the word "ten."—(Mr. Robert Munro.)

Question, That the word "five" stand part of the Clause, put, and agreed to.

An Amendment made.

Another Amendment proposed, in p. 2, l. 59, at the end to add the words,—

"(5) No person lending any moneys as aforesaid and taking an assignment in security for repayment thereof purporting to be made under the authority of this Act shall be bound to require proof that the several provisions of this Act have been complied with, and it shall not be competent to any ratepayer or other person to question the validity of any such assignment in security on the ground that such provisions have not been complied with."—(Colonel Sir John Hope.)

Question proposed, That those words be there added:—Amendment, by leave, withdrawn.

Clause, as amended, agreed to.

Clause No. 3 (Title, construction and extent).

Amendment proposed, in p. 3, l. 11, to leave out the words "fifteenth day of May" in order to insert the words "thirty-first day of December."—(Colonel Sir John Hope.)

Question proposed, That the words "fifteenth day of May" stand part of the Clause:—Amendment, by leave, withdrawn.

Clause agreed to.

Bill, as amended, to be reported.

Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair; and the Chairman of Ways and Means reported, That the Committee had gone through the Bill.

Ordered, That the Bill, as amended in the Committee, be now taken into consideration:—The House accordingly proceeded to take the Bill into consideration.

Ordered, That the Bill be now read the third time:—The Bill was accordingly read the third time and passed.

Ordered, That the Clerk do carry the Bill to the Lords, and desire their concurrence.
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The House, according to Order, resolved itself into a Committee on the National Health Insurance (Prolongation of Insurance) Bill.

(In the Committee.)

Clause No. 1 (Extension of period during which persons ceasing to be employed may remain insured).

Amendment proposed, in p. 1, l. 18, to leave out paragraph (b).—(Mr. James Henry Thomas.)

Question proposed, That the words proposed to be left out to the end of l. 23 stand part of the Clause:—Amendment, by leave, withdrawn.

An Amendment made.

Clause, as amended, agreed to.

Clauses No. 2 and No. 3 agreed to.

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 Local Authorities (Financial Provisions) Bill.

(In the Committee.)

Clause No. 1 (Temporary extension of charges on the Metropolitan Poor Fund).

Amendment proposed, in p. 1, l. 18, after the word "fund," to insert the words "two-thirds of."—(Mr. Ormsby-Gore.)

Question, That those words be there inserted, put, and negatived.

Another Amendment proposed, in p. 1, l. 19, after the word "relief," to insert the words "other than expenses of administration."—(Mr. Ormsby-Gore.)

Question, That those words be there inserted, put, and negatived.

An Amendment made.

Another Amendment proposed, in p. 1, l. 22, at the end to insert the words,—

"Such scale and regulations shall be laid before both Houses of Parliament and shall not be subject to alteration unless such alteration has been approved by resolution of both Houses of Parliament."—(Mr. Ormsby-Gore.)

Question proposed, That those words be there inserted:—Amendment, by leave, withdrawn.

Another Amendment made.

Another Amendment proposed, in p. 2, l. 2, at the end to insert the words,—

(3) The Minister of Health may nominate officers to be present at the hearing and deciding of applications for out-door relief and, if he is satisfied that proper care is not being exercised in any Poor Law District, he may order that no repayment shall be made in respect of relief granted in that district after the date of his order."—(Sir Reginald Blair.)

Question proposed, That those words be there inserted:—Amendment, by leave, withdrawn.

Another Amendment made.

Another Amendment proposed, in p. 2, l. 2, after the words last inserted, to insert the words,—

"(3) A board of guardians shall cause to be prosecuted any person who knowingly makes a false declaration for the purposes of obtaining out-door relief and, no repayment shall be made in respect of relief granted to a person knowingly making a false declaration."

Question proposed, That those words be there inserted:—Amendment, by leave, withdrawn.

Another Amendment made.

Another Amendment proposed, in p. 2, l. 2, after the words last inserted, to insert the words,—

"(3) A board of guardians shall cause to be prosecuted any person who knowingly makes a false declaration for the purposes of obtaining out-door relief and, no repayment shall be made in respect of relief granted to a person knowingly making a false declaration."

Question proposed, That those words be there inserted:—Amendment, by leave, withdrawn.

Another Amendment made.

Another Amendment proposed, in p. 4, l. 29, to leave out subsection (2).—(Mr. John Jones.)

Question, That the words proposed to be left out stand part of the proposed Clause, put, and agreed to.

Clause No. 2 and No. 3 amended, and agreed to.

Clause No. 4 (Relaxation of limit of borrowing powers of local authorities in certain cases).

An Amendment made.

Another Amendment proposed, in p. 4, l. 29, to leave out subsection (2).—(Mr. John Jones.)

Question, That the words proposed to be left out stand part of the Clause, put, and agreed to.

Clause, as amended, agreed to.

Clause No. 5 agreed to.

A Clause (Temporary power to suspend sinking fund payments, &c., in case of money borrowed for unremitting works)—(Sir Alfred Mond)

—brought up, and read the first and second time.

Amendment proposed to the proposed Clause, in l. 1, to leave out the words "within twelve months after the passing of this Act."—(Mr. Trevelyan Thomson.)

Question proposed, 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. 12, at the end to add the words "except in special circumstances, when the period may be extended by the Minister of Health for a further period not exceeding five years."—(Colonel Sir William Allen.)

Question proposed, That those words be there added:—Amendment, by leave, withdrawn.

Proposed Clause added to the Bill.

Another Clause (Extent)—(Sir Alfred Mond)

—brought up, and read the first and second time, and added to the Bill.

Another Clause (Modification of provisions for repayment of loans)—(Sir Edward Beauchamp)

—brought up, and read the first and second time, and added to the Bill.

Another Clause (Amendment of 57 & 58 Vic. c. 53, s. 1)—(Mr. John Jones)—brought up, and read the first time.

Motion made, and Question put, That the Clause be read a second time;
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The Committee divided.

Tellers for the  | Mr. John Jones,  | 34.
Yea,  | Mr. Cape;  |
Tellers for the  | Colonel Leslie Wilson,  | 113.
Nees,  | Mr. Dudley Ward;  |

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 taking into further consideration the Guardianship, &c., of Infants Bill, as amended in the Standing Committee;

Ordered, That the Bill be taken into further consideration upon Wednesday next.

The Order of the day being read, for the 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 18th day of October 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 eighteen minutes after Ten of the clock, adjourned till to-morrow.

[No. 136.]

Thursday, 3rd November 1921.

The House met at a quarter of an hour before Three of the clock.

PRAYERS.

The Dundee Corporation Order Confirmation Bill was, according to Order, read a second time; and ordered to be taken into consideration to-morrow.

Rear-Admiral Sir Reginald Hall, Member for the West Derby Division of Liverpool, 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 grave danger to the public safety consequent upon the fact that the position vacated by Sir Basil Thomson is still vacant; 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 not less than 40 Members having accordingly risen, the Motion stood over, under Standing Order No. 10, until a quarter of an hour after Eight of the clock this evening.

Mr. Macquisten, supported by Mr. Seddon, Shops (Early Closing) Act Amendment Bill.

Mr. Higham, Mr. Lort-Williams, Mr. Reiger, Rear-Admiral Sir Reginald Hall, Colonel Morden, and Captain Watts Morgan, presented a Bill to regularise the position of all persons trading as chemists and druggists or pharmacy store proprietors in the sale of drugs, the dispensing of doctors’ prescriptions, and the sale of patent medicines: And the same was ordered to be read a second time upon Monday next; and to be printed.

Captain O’Grady, supported by Colonel Watts Morgan, and Mr. Casey, presented a Bill to amend the Pharmacy Act 1915; and to be printed.

The Trade Facilities Bill was, according to Trade Facilities Bill Order, read the third time and passed.

Ordered, That the Clerk do carry the Bill to the Lords, and desire their concurrence.

The House, according to Order, proceeded to Local Authorities (Financial Provisions) Bill, as amended in the Standing Committee.

A Clause (Definition of local authority)— (Mr. Chancellor of the Exchequer)—was twice read and made part of the Bill.

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.)

Civil Services Supplementary Estimates, 1921-22.

Class II.

£330,000 (Supplementary), for the Salaries and Expenses of the Department of His Majesty’s Secretary of State for the Colonies, including Grants in Aid and other Expenses connected with Overseas Settlement.

Resolution to be reported.

Class VII.

Motion made, and Question proposed, That a Supplementary sum, not exceeding £2,192,000 be granted to His Majesty, to defray the charge which will come in course of payment during...
The Order of the day being read, for the Ways and Means Committee:

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 18th day of October 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 Eleven of the clock, adjourned till to-morrow.

[No. 137.]

Friday, 4th November 1921.

The House met at Eleven of the clock.

Prayers.

The House, according to Order, proceeded to take into consideration the Dundee Corporation Order Confirmation Bill.

Ordered, That the Bill be now read the third time:—The Bill was accordingly read the third time and passed.

Ordered, That the Clerk do carry the Bill to the Lords, and desire their concurrence.

Mr. Hilton Young presented, by His Majesty's Treasury of Command,—Copy of Papers relating to the Agreement between the French and German Governments concerning the application of Part VIII. of the Treaty of Versailles, regarding Deliveries in kind.

Ordered, That the said Paper do lie upon the Table.

Resolved, nemine contradicente, That this House Washington warmly approves of the meeting of the International Conference at Washington and trusts that a supreme effort will be made to arrive at such a measure of agreement as will secure a substantial and progressive reduction of the crushing burden of armaments.—(Mr. Clynes.)

The Order of the day being read, for the Supply Committee of Ways and Means:

Resolved, That this House will, upon Monday next, resolve itself into the said Committee.

The Order of the day being read, for the Ways and Means Committee:

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 3rd day of this instant November:

Ordered, That the Report be received upon Monday next.
Resolved, That the draft of a Special Order proposed to be made by the Board of Trade under Section 10 of the Gas Regulation Act, 1920, on the application of the Wisbech Lighting Company, which was presented on the 24th day of October last, be approved.—(Sir William Mitchell-Thomson.)

Resolved, That the draft of a Special Order proposed to be made by the Board of Trade under Section 10 of the Gas Regulation Act, 1920, on the application of the Plymouth and Stonehouse Gas Light and Coke Company, which was presented on the 24th day of October last, be approved.—(Sir William Mitchell-Thomson.)

Resolved, That the draft of a Special Order proposed to be made by the Board of Trade under Section 10 of the Gas Regulation Act, 1920, on the application of the Mayor, Aldermen, and Burgesses of the Borough of Newbury, which was presented on the 24th day of October last, be approved.—(Sir William Mitchell-Thomson.)

Adjourment. Whereupon Mr. Speaker adjourned the House, without Question put, pursuant to Standing Order No. 5, it being then twenty-eight minutes after Two of the clock, till Monday next.

[No. 138.]

Monday, 7th November 1921.

The House met at a quarter of an hour before Three of the clock.

PRAYERS.


Mr. Secretary Guest presented, pursuant to the directions of an Act of Parliament,—Copy of Order under the Air Force (Constitution) Act, 1917, amending His Majesty's Order of 26th January 1921 relative to Airmen's emoluments.

Ordered, That the said Paper do lie upon the Table.

Mr. Cecil Hortsmworth presented, by His Majesty's Command,—Copy of Convention between the United Kingdom and France relative to Article 296 of the Treaty of Versailles of 28th June 1919 (Enemy Debts). Signed at London, 20th July 1921 (Ratifications exchanged at London, 30th September 1921).

Copy of Correspondence respecting the Cultivation of Opium in China (in continuation of 1921).

Ordered, That the said Papers do lie upon the Table.

Mr. Hilton Young presented, pursuant to the directions of an Act of Parliament,—Copy of a Treasury Warrant, dated 3rd November 1921, appointing Herbert Mitchell Sanders, Esquire, to be a Special Commissioner of Income Tax.

Ordered, That the said Paper do lie upon the Table.

Mr. Macpherson presented, pursuant to the directions of an Act of Parliament,—Copy of an Order of 26th January 1921 relative to Airmen's emoluments.

Ordered, That the said Paper do lie upon the Table; and be printed.

Mr. Speaker acquainted the House, That a Message from the Lords by one of their Clerks, as followeth:

The Lords have agreed to the Forestry Bill, Forestry Bill, without any Amendment.

The Lords have agreed to the Church of Scotland (General Trustees) Order Confirmation Bill, without any Amendment.

The Lords have agreed to the Greenock Corporation Order Confirmation Bill, without any Amendment.

The Lords have agreed to the Unemployed Workers' Dependants (Temporary Provision) Bill, with Amendments, to which the Lords desire the concurrence of this House.

Ordered, That the Amendments made by the Lords to the Unemployed Workers' Dependants (Temporary Provision) Bill be printed.

The House, according to Order, resolved itself into the Committee of Supply.

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for Resettlement in Civil Life; also the Expenses of the Industrial Court.

Unclassified Services.

2. Motion made, and Question proposed, That a sum not exceeding £5,600,000 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 1922 for the Relief of Unemployment:

Whereupon Motion made, and Question put, That a sum not exceeding £5,495,900 be granted for the said Service.—(Mr. James Henry Thomas.)

The Committee divided.

Tellers for the | Mr. Mills: | 50.
Yea, | Mr. John Jones: | 103.
Noo, | Mr. Dudley Ward: | 193.

Original Question put, and agreed to.

Army Supplementary Estimate, 1921-22.

3. Motion made, and Question put, That a Supplementary sum not exceeding £6,720,000 be granted to His Majesty, to defray the charges for Army Services which will come in course of payment during the year ending on the 31st day of March 1922 to meet Expenditure not provided for in the original Army Estimates of the year, arising out of the Coal Stoppage:

The Committee divided.

Tellers for the | Colonel Leslie Wilson: | 151.
Yea, | Mr. McCurdy: | 43.
Noo, | Mr. Hartshorn: | 60.

Navy Supplementary Estimate, 1921-22.

4. £965,000 (Supplementary) for additional Expenditure on the following Navy Services, viz.:

Vote 1. Wages, &c., of Officers, Seamen and Boys, Coast Guard, and Royal Marines 745,000
Vote 2. Victualling and Clothing for the Navy 212,000
Vote 11. Miscellaneous Effective Services 68,000

Loss Surpluses on—

Vote 7. Royal Naval Reserve 37,000
Vote 13. Half Pay and Retired Pay 23,000

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Civil Services Supplementary Estimates, 1921-22.

Class V.

5. £50,000 (Supplementary) for sundry Colonial Services, including certain Grants in Aid.

Unclassified Services.

6. £62,100 for the Salaries and Expenses of the State Liquor Districts, including the Salaries of the Central Office and the Cost of Compensation for Acquisition and of Direct Control of Licensed Premises and Businesses.

7. £100,000 (Supplementary) for the Cost of certain Miscellaneous War Services.

Resolutions to be reported.

Mr. Deputy Speaker resumed the Chair; and the Deputy Chairman reported, That the Committee had come to several Resolutions.

Ordered, That the Report be received to-morrow.

The House, according to Order, resolved itself Ways and Means 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 1922, the sum of £15,919,100 be granted out of the Consolidated Fund of the United Kingdom.—(Mr. Hilton Young.)

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 receiving Supply [and the Report from the Committee of Supply of November] the 3rd day of this instant November;

Ordered, That the Report be received to-morrow.

The Order of the day being read, for the Juries Bill; Second Reading of the Juries Bill;

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time upon Monday next.

Ordered, That the Amendments made by the Unemployed Lords to the Unemployed Workers' Dependents (Temporary Provision) Bill be now taken into consideration.—(Colonel Leslie Wilson.)

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.

A Motion was made, and the Question being proposed, That a Select Committee be appointed to inquire into the employment in the Civil Service of men who, in the exercise of the right of conscience, were granted exemption from the combatant service on conscientious grounds; and to report what action, if any, is desirable in respect of these men.—(Colonel Gibbs):—And a Debate arising thereupon;

Ordered, That the Debate be now adjourned.—(Colonel Leslie Wilson.)

Ordered, That the Debate be resumed to-morrow.

Whereupon Mr. Speaker, pursuant to the Adjournment, Order of the House of the 18th day of October 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 Ten of the clock, adjourned till to-morrow.
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[No. 139.]

Tuesday, 8th November 1921.

The House met at a quarter of an hour before Three of the clock.

PRAYERS.

Gas Regulation Act, 1920.

Mr. Baldwin presented, pursuant to the directions of an Act of Parliament, a Copy of Draft of Special Order proposed to be made by the Board of Trade under the Gas Regulation Act, 1920, on the application of the Cambridge University and Town Gas Light Company.

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 passed a Bill, intituled An Act to repeal section two of the Gaming Act, 1835: to which the Lords desire the concurrence of this House.

Gaming Bill [Lords.]

The Gaming Bill [Lords.] was read the first time: and ordered to be read a second time to-morrow; and to be printed.

Privilege.

Complaint made to the House by Sir J. D. Rees, Member for Nottingham, East, of certain passages in a speech delivered by Mr. John, Member for Khoinda, West, on the 6th day of this instant November at a meeting at Ton Pentre and reported in the "Western Mail" newspaper of the 7th day of this instant November, reflecting on the conduct of Members of this House, which he submitted constituted a breach of the Privileges of this House.

The said newspaper was delivered in and the passage complained of read, as followeth:

"I should like to take some of the Khoinda miners to witness a debate in the House of Commons, to see the wealthy landlords coming up from their dining rooms three parts drunk. Some of them cannot stand and some there are who have to hold on to their chairs in order to speak in the House of Commons."

A Motion was made, and the Question being proposed, That the said speech is a gross libel upon the Members of this House and a grave breach of its privileges.—(Sir J. D. Rees.)

Mr. John was heard in his place and unhesitatingly withdrew the expressions contained in his speech of which complaint had been made and offered a sincere and unqualified apology to the House.

After which Mr. Speaker directed him to withdraw, and he withdrew accordingly.

And the said Motion was, with leave of the House, withdrawn.

Sir James Agg-Gardner, supported by Lord Henry Cavendish-Bentinck, Mr. Acland, Mr. Brittain, Colonel Rene, and Mr. Atkinson Williams, presented a Bill to constitute a Probation Commission and establish provisions with regard to reformatory and industrial schools: And the same was ordered to be read a second time to-morrow; and to be printed.

Commander Eyres Monsell reported from the Committee of Supply of the 7th day of this Instant November several Resolutions; which were read, as follow:

Civil Services Supplementary Estimates, 1921-22.

Class VII.

1. That a Supplementary sum not exceeding £2,192,000 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 1922 for the Salaries and Expenses of the Ministry of Labour (Supplementary Estimate, 1921-22 for sundry Colonial Services, including certain Grants in Aid.)

2. That a sum not exceeding £5,500,000 be Relief of Unemployment.

3. That a Supplementary sum not exceeding Army Supplementary Estimate, 1921-22.

4. That a Supplementary sum not exceeding Navy Supplementary Estimate, 1921-22.

5. That a Supplementary sum not exceeding Colonial Supplementary Estimate, 1921-22.

Class VII.

Vote 1. Wages, &c., of Officers, Seamen and Boys, Coast Guard, and Royal Marines...

Vote 2. Viscouting and Clothing for the Navy...

Vote 11. Miscellaneous Effective Services...

Loss Surpluses on Vote 7. Royal Naval Reserve...

Vote 13. Half Pay and Retired Pay...

Net Amount...

Civil Services Supplementary Estimates, 1921-22.

Class V.

Vote 7. Royal Naval Reserve...

Vote 13. Half Pay and Retired Pay...

Net Amount...

Civil Services Supplementary Estimates, 1921-22.

Class V.
Then the remaining Resolutions, being read a second time, were agreed to.

Dr. Macnamara reported from the Committee of Supply [3rd November] a Resolution; which was read, as followeth:

Civil Services Supplementary Estimates, 1921-22.

Class II.

That a Supplementary sum not exceeding £300,000 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 1922 for the cost of certain Miscellaneous War Services.

The First Resolution, being read a second time, was agreed to.

The Second 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;

Royal Assent.

A Message was delivered by Lieutenant-General Sir William Pitteny, K.C.B., K.C.M.G., D.S.O., 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. Forestry Act, 1921.
2. Unemployed Workers' Dependants (Temporary Provision) Act, 1921.
4. East Lothian County Buildings Order Confirmation Act, 1921.
5. Dorward's House of Refuge (Montrose) Order Confirmation Act, 1921.
6. Church of Scotland (General Trustees) Order Confirmation Act, 1921.
7. Oban Burgh Order Confirmation Act, 1921.
8. Greenock Corporation Order Confirmation Act, 1921.

And the Question being again proposed, That this House doth agree with the Committee in the Second Resolution;

And the Question being put;

The House divided.

The Yeas to the Right;

The Noes to the Left.

Tellers for the Yeas, Mr. McCurdy, 150. Colonel Leslie Wilson 50.

Tellers for the Noes, Mr. Thomas Shaw, 49. Mr. Walter Smith:

So it was resolved in the Affirmative.

Then the remaining Resolutions, being read a second time, were agreed to.

Mr. Hilton Young reported from the Committee of Supply of the 3rd day of this instant November a Resolution; which was read, as followeth:

Civil Services Supplementary Estimates, 1921-22.

That a Supplementary sum not exceeding £300,000 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 1922 for the Salaries and Expenses of the Department of His Majesty's Secretary of State for the Colonies, including Grants in Aid and other Expenses connected with Oversea Settlement.

The said Resolution, being read a second time, was agreed to.

Mr. Hilton Young accordingly presented a Bill Consolidated to His Majesty for the Service of the year ending on the 31st day of March 1922, the sum of £25,919,100 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 the said Resolution: And that the Chairman of Ways and Means, Mr. Chancellor of the Exchequer, and Mr. Hilton Young do prepare and bring it in.

Mr. Hilton Young accordingly presented a Bill Consolidated 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 twenty-two, and to appropriate the further sum of £25,919,100 be granted out of the Consolidated Fund of the United Kingdom:

And the same was read the first time, and ordered to be read a second time to-morrow; and to be printed.

Resolved, That this House approves the policy of International His Majesty's Government, respecting the Draft Labour Conventions and Recommendations adopted by the International Labour Conference, held at Geneva in June and July 1920.—(Dr. Macnamara.)

The Order of the day being read, for resuming Civil Service the adjourned Debate on the Question proposed (Employment upon the 7th day of this instant November) That a select Committee be appointed to inquire Objectors.) into the employment in the Civil Service of men who, in the exercise of the right granted to them by the Military Service Acts, were granted exemption from the combatant service on conscientious grounds; and to report what action, if any, is desirable in respect of these men.

Ordered, That the Debate be further adjourned till to-morrow.

The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Government Bill [Lords],

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time to-morrow.
Wednesday, 9th November 1921.

The House met at a quarter of an hour before Three of the clock.

Mr. Arthur Balfour presented, pursuant to the directions of several Acts of Parliament,—Copy of Three Orders in Council, dated 31st October 1921, under the Naval and Marine Pay and Pensions Act, 1865.

Copy of Order in Council under the Representation of the People Acts, 1867, dated 31st October 1921, fixing the appointed day for certain provisions of the Government of Ireland Act, 1920.

Copy of Order in Council, under the Treaties of Peace (Austria and Bulgaria) Act, 1920, dated 31st October 1921, entitled the India Treaty of Peace (Austria) (No. 2) Amendment Order, 1921.

Ordered, That the said Papers do lie upon the Table.

Mr. Neat presented, pursuant to the directions of several Acts of Parliament,—Copy of Special Order made by the Electricity Commissioners and confirmed by the Minister of Transport under the Electricity (Supply) Act, 1919, for the Amendment of the Hoyland Nether Electric Lighting Order, 1912.

Copies of Special Orders made by the Electricity Commissioners, and confirmed by the Minister of Transport, under the Electricity (Supply) Act, 1919, in respect of the parish of Bedworth, in the rural district of Foleshill, and the urban district of Bulkington, both in the county of Warwick; in respect of the parishes of Steyning, Bramber, and Reeding, in the rural district of Steyning West, in the administrative county of West Sussex; in respect of the parishes of Dunblane and part of the parish of Dunblane and part of the parish of Dunblane and part of the parish of Dunblane, in the county of Perth; and in respect of the urban districts of Belper and Heage and the parish of Milford, in the rural district of Belper, all in the county of Derby.

Mr. Speaker acquainted the House, That a Message from the Lords was presented on the 19th day of October last, relative to the employment in the Civil Service of men in the exercise of the right granted to

The Lords have agreed to the National Health Insurance (Prolongation of Insurance) Bill, without any Amendment.

The Lords have agreed to the Poor Law Emergency Provisions (Scotland) Bill, without any Amendment.

The Lords have agreed to the Trade Facilities Bill, without any Amendment.

The Lords have agreed to the Perth Corporation (Waterworks, &c.) Order Confirmation Bill, without any Amendment.

The Lords have agreed to the Dundee Corporation Order Confirmation Bill, without any Amendment.

The Lords have agreed to the 37th Amendment Act (Emergency Provisions) Bill, without any Amendment.

The Lords have agreed to the Local Authorities (Financial Provisions) Bill, with Amendments; to which the Lords desire the concurrence of this House.

The following Paper, pursuant to the directions of an Act of Parliament, was laid upon the Table by the Clerk of the House:

Account of the Irish Land Commission for the year ended 31st March 1921, and from 22nd August 1881 to 31st March 1921; 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 a Return showing the amount of public money invested in registered Companies by His Majesty's Government; the names of the Companies and the amounts invested in each Company; and the date on which the investments were made. (Mr. Allen Parkinso.)

Adjourned. And it being half an hour after Eleven of the clock, Mr. Speaker adjourned the House without Question put, pursuant to the Standing Order, till to-morrow.
Ordered, That the Debate be further adjourned till Monday next.

The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Government of Burma Bill [Lords];

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time upon Monday next.

Ordered, That the Amendments made by the Lords to the Local Authorities (Financial Provisions) Bill be now taken into consideration.

—(Mr. Hilton Young.)

The House, accordingly, proceeded to take the said Amendments into consideration.

The Lords' Amendment in p. 3, l. 18, at end insert the following new sub-section:

"(4) Where in pursuance of a precept issued by an authority either before or after the passing of this Act, any sum is payable, directly or indirectly, by the council of a metropolitan borough to that authority, the authority may set off any sum payable to the council by the authority against the sum payable by the council in pursuance of the precept, without prejudice to proceedings for the recovery of the balance (if any) of the last-named sum under the provisions of this section."

the First Amendment, being read a second time, was agreed to.

The Lords' Amendment in p. 5, l. 19, leave out ("the last foregoing section") and insert ("under the provisions of this Act for the purpose of providing temporarily for current expenses," the next Amendment, being read a second time, the said Lords' Amendment was divided. So much of the Lords' Amendment as proposes to leave out ("the last foregoing section") was agreed to. So much of the Lords' Amendment as proposes to insert ("under the provisions of this Act for the purpose of providing temporarily for current expenses") was amended by leaving out the word "under," —(Mr. Hilton Young), and, so amended, was agreed to.

Then the remaining Lords' 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 with an Amendment to one of them; to which this House doth desire the concurrence of their Lordships.

Adjournment. Whereupon Mr. Speaker, pursuant to the Order of the House of the 18th day of October last, proposed the Question, That this House do now adjourn.

And it being half an hour after Eleven o'clock, Mr. Speaker adjourned the House without Question put, pursuant to the Order of the House of the 18th day of October last, till to-morrow.

Ordered, That the Debate be further adjourned till Monday next.

The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Government of Burma Bill [Lords];

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time upon Monday next.

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Then the remaining Lords' 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 with an Amendment to one of them; to which this House doth desire the concurrence of their Lordships.
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Return of all Loans raised in England under the provisions of any Acts of Parliament, chargeable before the Royal Commission on the Importation of Store Cattle, with Appendices and Indices of Witnesses and Subjects.

Ordered, That the said Paper be printed.

Sir Alfred Mond presented.—Return to an Order, dated the 28th day of October last, for a Return relative to London Local Authorities (Expenditure).

Ordered, That the said Return do lie upon the Table; and be printed.

Sir Arthur Griffith-Boscawen presented, by Importation of His Majesty's Command.—Copy of Proceedings before the Royal Commission on the Importation of Store Cattle, with Appendices and Indices of Witnesses and Subjects.

Ordered, That the said Paper do lie upon the Table.

Mr. Speaker laid upon the Table,—List of Parliamentary Papers printed by Order of the House, and of Papers presented by Command, Session 1921, with a General Alphabetical Index thereto.

Thirty-first Parliament, Third Session, 11th and 12th George V., 15th February 1921 to 10th November 1921.

Ordered, That the said Paper be printed.

The House, according to Order, resolved itself into a Committee on the Consolidated Fund (Appropriation) (No. 2) Bill.

Ordered, That the said Paper be printed.

I hereby certify that this Bill is a Money Mr. Speaker's Bill within the meaning of the Parliament Certificate. Act, 1911.

JOHN HENRY WHITLEY, Speaker).

Resolved, That the draft of a Special Order Gas Regulation proposed to be made by the Board of Trade, under Section 10 of the Gas Regulation Act, 1920, on the application of the Cambridge University and Town Gas Light Company, which was presented on the 8th day of this instant November, be approved.—(Sir William Mitchell-Thomson.)

Resolved, That the Special Order made by the Electricity Commissioners under the Electricity (Supply) Acts, 1882 to 1919, and confirmed by the Minister of Transport under the Electricity (Supply) Act, 1919, in respect of the parish of Bedworth, in the rural district of Foleshill, and the urban district of Bulkington, both in the county of Warwick, which was presented on the 9th day of this instant November, be approved.—(Mr. Neal.)

Resolved, That the Special Order made by the Electricity Commissioners under the Electricity (Supply) Acts, 1882 to 1919, and confirmed by the Minister of Transport under the Electricity (Supply) Act, 1919, in respect of the parishes of Steyning, Bramber, and Beeding, in the rural district of Steyning, in the administrative county of West Sussex, which was presented on the 9th day of this instant November, be approved.—(Mr. Neal.)

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Resolved, That the Special Order made by the
Electricity Commissioners under the Electricity
(Supply) Acts, 1882 to 1919, and confirmed by
the Minister of Transport under the Electricity
(Supply) Act, 1919, for the Amendment of the
Royal Assent, to Acts which are agreed upon by both
Local Authorities (Financial Provisions) Bill,
without any Amendment.

A Message was delivered by Lieutenant-
General Sir William Pulteney, K.C.B., K.C.M.G.,
n.d.o., Gentleman Usher of the Black Rod:

Mr. Speaker,
The Lords authorised by virtue of His
Majesty's Commission, to declare His Royal
Assent to Acts which are agreed upon by both
Houses, and for proroguing the present Parlia-
ment, 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 Com-
mmission 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:

1. Appropriation (No. 2) Act, 1921.
2. Poor Law Emergency Provisions (Scot-
land) Act, 1921.
3. Trade Facilities Act, 1921.
4. National Health Insurance (Prolongation
of Insurance) Act, 1921.
5. Local Authorities (Financial Provisions)
Act, 1921.
6. Perth Corporation (Waterworks, &c.)
Order Confirmation Act, 1921.
7. Dundee Corporation Order Confirmation
Act, 1921.

King's Speech.

And afterwards His Majesty's Most Gracious
Speech was delivered to both Houses of Parlia-
ment by the Lord High Chancellor, in pursuance
of His Majesty's Commands, as follows:

My Lords and Members of the House of
Commons,
The Session of Parliament which closes to-day
has been marked by events of great importance
to the welfare of the British Empire and to the
peace of the world. It is not yet possible to
say that peace is firmly established in Europe,
and it must be long before the world can recover
from the strain and sacrifice of the War; but
good progress has been made towards the solu-
tion of the most critical problems of Home and
Foreign affairs.

I have welcomed with deep satisfaction the
Prime Ministers of the Dominions and the Repre-
sentatives of India, who have been in Conference
with My Government here. They have discussed
questions of great moment to discuss in common
and grave decisions to make. Their presence
for that purpose has been invaluable, and I
trust that it may be found possible to arrange
regular meetings of a like character for the
further exchange of views and the discussion of
common interests.

Their deliberations on Foreign policy dealt
in particular with the problems of the Pacific
and Far East and the necessity of the Empire's
obligations under the Treaty of Versailles and the other Treaties of Peace. I
am happy to know that on all these issues My Governments here and overseas are in close
accord.

The Conference gave serious attention to the
defence of the Empire and to the maintenance
of an adequate measure of sea-power. It was
unanimously decided that the naval strength of
the Empire should be equal to that of any other
Power.

As a result of the proposals made by the
Allied Powers to Germany last May and
accepted by her, satisfactory progress has been
made by the German Government in the
execution of their financial and disarmament
obligations under the Treaty of Versailles.

A serious rising of the Poles in Upper
Silesia led to the British troops, which had been
withdrawn in April, being sent back, and after
difficult and anxious negotiations the insurrec-
tion was overcome, and the authority of the Inter-
national Commission was re-established.

The insurrection unfortunately delayed the
negotiations for a settlement of the frontier,
and at a meeting of the Allied and Associated
Powers in August last it was decided to invite the League of Nations to examine the
whole question and to make recommendations
for a settlement.

Those recommendations have recently been
received, and steps are being taken to give effect
to them. There is reason to hope that they will be
loyally carried out by the two parties principally
concerned, and that a peaceful and honourable
settlement will result.

Peace has been definitely established between
the Allied Powers and Hungary. The Treaty
signed at Trianon on the 4th June 1920, having
been ratified by the British Empire, France,
Italy, Japan, Belgium, Czechoslovakia, Serbia,
Roumania, Spain, and Hungary, the ratifications
were deposited at the French Ministry for
Foreign affairs on the 26th July last.

The efforts, made by My Government at the
Allied Conference in March and renewed in June, to establish peace in the Near
East have encountered fruitless by the renewed
outbreak of hostilities between the Greek and
Turkish forces in Anatolia. It is my earnest
desire to see these hostilities removed by an
early and just peace, and My Government are
prepared, in conjunction with their Allies, to take
the first opportunity of furthering this end.

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10th November, 1921.
I have followed with great satisfaction the steps taken by the President of the United States to promote the reduction of expenditure on armaments, an object which commands the fullest sympathy of My Government.

It was in this spirit that My Government gladly accepted the invitation extended by the United States Government to a Conference on Disarmament about to be held at Washington. It is My earnest hope that the labours of the Conference will be crowned with success.

Negotiations have for some time been in progress, but have not yet reached a conclusion, between My Government and a delegation nominated by His Highness the Sultan of Egypt with a view to determine the future relationship of that country with Great Britain.

Progress continues to be made in the reduction of expenditure in Iraq in accordance with the policy which has been explained in the House.

My son, the Prince of Wales, has embarked upon his Eastern voyage, and within a few days will land on Indian soil. I pray that his visit may still further strengthen the ties of affection which for so long have linked My House with the Princes and people of India. Upon the conclusion of his Indian tour he will proceed on a visit to the great and friendly Empire of Japan.

Members of the House of Commons,

I thank you for the provision for the Public Service. Although trade and commerce have been undergoing a period of unexampled depression, I learn with satisfaction that it is nevertheless anticipated that, while the estimated surplus for redemption of debt will not be realised, the financial year will end without a deficit on the Budget.

Our debts, however, are great, our taxation heavy and burdensome to industry, and revenue cannot be maintained on the scale of the last three years. It is accordingly of vital importance to the financial stability of the Country that expenditure should be still further restricted in every department of life, both public and private. The Government will continue to take every possible means to achieve this essential object in the field of public expenditure, and I confidently rely upon My people in their own practice to support the efforts of My Ministers.

My Lords and Members of the House of Commons,

The situation in Ireland still causes Me great anxiety. I earnestly exhort the leaders of all Parties in Ireland, and all those in whose hands lies the power to influence the negotiations and discussions now proceeding, to exercise patience and moderation with the object of establishing friendship and loyal co-operation between My people of that country. It is My firm belief, as it is My earnest prayer, that with forbearance and goodwill and with an honest resolve to tread the paths of oblivion and forgiveness, an enduring peace will finally be achieved.

The past summer has been notable for the occurrence of the most serious industrial conflict which has ever menaced the prosperity of the Realm. I take pride in the calm and serene spirit with which the trials of the coal stoppage were met by My people, and the freedom from strife and violence which characterised its course.

This dispute unhappily aggravated the adverse effect of the sudden world-wide trade depression, which has inflicted upon the industries of this country the most grievous experience in their history.

My Ministers have viewed with grave concern the continuance of the widespread Unemployment which has attended the cessation of trade. Accordingly you have within the past few weeks given close and detailed consideration to this problem. Measures have received My assent designed, first, to encourage the revival of industry by facilitating the provision of Capital for public undertakings and by assisting export trade, and, secondly, directly to provide employment on an extended scale by aiding Local Authorities and others to carry out various forms of beneficial works. Finally, in addition to the provision made by the Acts which you have already passed relating to Unemployment Insurance, a measure has been framed to assist in mitigating the sufferings of those who remain unemployed, by the provision, out of resources contributed by employers, employed, and the State, of grants to wives and dependent children.

The peaceful settlement of many difficult disputes by mutual negotiation between employers and workpeople, together with some indications of a revival of trade, encourage My hope that the worst may be over and that the state of employment may show from now onwards a steady, if slow, improvement. But the position is still full of anxiety, and My Ministers will continue to devote to this problem their vigilant care.

It is not, however, so much to Acts of Parliament as to the proved good sense of employers and operatives, working together for the promotion of their common interests, that I look for the restoration of trade prosperity.

My assent has also been given to measures for the reorganisation of the railways and for the safeguarding of industry, and an Act for the Reform of the Licensing Laws has been passed with an universal and gratifying measure of support. But the legislation of the Session has been dominated by the difficult financial condition of the time. The imperative need for the avoidance of all fresh burdens and for the further curtailment of expenditure has required the modification of some measures already passed and the postponement to happier times of the completion of other reforms.

I pray that the blessing of Almighty God may rest upon your labours.

Then a Commission for proroguing the Parliament was read.

After which the Lord Chancellor said:

My Lords and Members,

In My 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 Monday the Thirtieth day of January one thousand nine hundred and twenty-two, to be then here holden; and this Parliament is accordingly prorogued to Monday the Thirtieth day of January one thousand nine hundred and twenty-two.

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OF THE

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SESSION II,
1921.

From December the 14th to December the 19th.

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A PROCLAMATION

FOR SUMMONING THE PARLIAMENT.

GEORGE R.I.

WHEREAS Our Parliament stands prorogued to Monday, the Thirtieth day of January next; and whereas, for divers weighty and urgent reasons, it seems to Us expedient that Our said Parliament shall assemble and be held sooner than the said day, We do, by and with the advice of Our Privy Council, hereby proclaim and give notice of Our Royal intention and pleasure that Our said Parliament, notwithstanding the same now stands prorogued, as hereinbefore mentioned, to the said Monday, the Thirtieth day of January next, shall assemble and be held, for the despatch of divers urgent and important affairs, on Wednesday, the Fourteenth day of December instant; and the Lords Spiritual and Temporal, and the Knights, Citizens, and Burgesses, and the Commissioners for Shires and Burghs of the House of Commons, are hereby required and commanded to give their attendance accordingly, at Westminster, on the said Wednesday, the Fourteenth day of December instant.

Given at Our Court at Buckingham Palace, this Seventh day of December, in the year of Our Lord One thousand nine hundred and twenty-one, and in the Twelfth year of Our Reign.

GOD SAVE THE KING.
[No. 1.]

Wednesday, 14th December 1921.

PRAYERS at Twelve of the clock.

A MESSAGE from His Majesty, by Lieutenant-General Sir William Pulteney, K.C.B., K.C.M.G., D.S.O., Gentleman Usher of the Black Rod:

Mr. Speaker,
The King commands this Honourable House to attend His Majesty immediately, in the House of Peers.

Accordingly Mr. Speaker, with the House, went up to attend His Majesty:—And having returned;

Mr. Speaker acquainted the House, that he had issued, during the Recess, a 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 Southwark (South Eastern Division) in the room of James Arthur Dawes, Esquire, deceased.

Captain William Humble Eric Ward, M.C., commonly called Viscount Ednam, Member for the Borough of Hornsey, was sworn.

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 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 Metropolitan of the Metropolis do take care that, during the Session of Parliament, the passages through the streets leading to this House be kept free and open, and that no obstruction be permitted to hinder the passage of Members to and from this House, 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.

**Votes and Proceedings.**

Ordered, That the Votes and Proceedings of this House be printed, being first perused by Mr. Speaker; and that he do appoint the printing thereof; and that no person but such as he shall appoint do presume to print the same.

**Privileges.**

Ordered, That a Committee of Privileges be appointed.

**Outlawries Bill.**

Ordered, That the Journal of this House, from the end of the last Session to the end of the present Session, with an Index thereto, be printed.

Ordered, That the said Journal and Index be printed by the appointment and under the direction of Thomas Lonsdale Webster, Esquire, C.H., the Clerk of this House.

Ordered, That the said Journal and Index be printed by such person as shall be licensed by Mr. Speaker; and that no other person do presume to print the same.

**Parliamentary Papers (Realm).**

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:

- Copy of Statement showing the Staffs of Government Departments on 1st November 1921, compiled from Returns furnished to the Treasury.
- Copy of Statement relating to the employment of ex-Servicemen in Government Offices on 1st July 1919 and 1st November 1921, compiled from Returns furnished to the Treasury.
- Copy of Articles of Agreement for a Treaty between Great Britain and Ireland.
- Copy of Half-yearly Report on the Progress of Civil Aviation for the period 1st April 1921 to 30th September 1921.
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- Copy of Despatch from His Majesty's Ambassador at Paris enclosing the Franco-Turkish Agreement. Signed at Angora on 20th October 1921.

Ordered, That the said Papers do lie upon the Table.

Mr. Fisher presented, pursuant to the directions of an Act of Parliament, to the Board of Education Regulations, dated 22nd November 1921, made by the Board of Education under Section 44 of the Education Act, 1918, with regard to the payment to Local Education Authorities of Substantive Grant in respect of Elementary Education for the financial year 1921-22, entitled the Elementary Education (Substantive Grant) Regulations, 1921.

Ordered, That the said Paper do lie upon the Table.

Mr. Hilton Young presented, by His Majesty's Command, to Proposals for an Irish Settlement.

Ordered, That the said Paper do lie upon the Table.


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Ordered, That the said Papers do lie upon the Table.

Mr. Macpherson presented, pursuant to the directions of an Act of Parliament, to Regulations, dated 5th December 1921, made by the Minister of Pensions, entitled the War Pensions Committees (Control of Expenditure) Regulations, 1921.

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:

- Abstract of Accounts of Local Societies in Loan Societies, England and Wales for the year 1920, furnished to the Central Office for the Registry of Friendly Societies.
- Copy of Schedule containing a List and particulars of certain classes of Documents now or lately existing in the Offices of the Tribunals created under the Military Service (Trials) Acts, 1916-18, which are not considered of sufficient public value to justify their preservation in the Public Record Office.
- Copy of the Rules of the Supreme Court Supreme Court (No. 4), 1921, dated 14th November 1921.
- Copy of the Rules of the Supreme Court Supreme Court (No. 4), 1921, dated 24th November 1921.
- Copy of Draft and Provisional Regulation, Supreme Court dated 18th November 1921, relating to the Enrolment of Deeds, Assurances, and other Instruments (typewritten) in the Supreme Court.
Mr. Speaker reported, That the House had, this day, attended His Majesty in the House of Peers, when His Majesty was pleased to make a most Gracious Speech from the Throne to both Houses of Parliament; of which Mr. Speaker said he had, for greater accuracy, obtained a copy; which he read to the House, as followeth:

My Lords and Members of the House of Commons,

I have summoned you to meet at this unusual time, in order that the Articles of Agreement which have been signed by My Ministers and the Irish Delegation may be at once submitted for your approval.

No business will be brought before you in the present Session.

It was with heartfelt joy that I learnt of the Agreement reached after negotiations protracted for many months and affecting the welfare not only of Ireland but of the British and Irish races throughout the world.

It is my earnest hope that by the Articles of Agreement now submitted to you the strife of centuries may be ended, and that Ireland, as a free partner in the Commonwealth of Nations forming the British Empire, will secure the fulfilment of her national ideals.

I pray that the blessing of Almighty God may rest upon your labours.

The Order of the day being read, for resuming King's Speech:

Ordered, That the said Paper do lie upon the Table.

Mr. Neal presented, pursuant to the directions of an Act of Parliament,—Copy of Annual Report of the Minister of Transport on the Caledonian and Crinan Canals, for the eleven months ended 31st March 1921. Copy of Twentieth Annual Report as to the working of the Banavie to Mallaig Railway, the rates and charges for traffic, and the receipts and expenditure of any company in the working the railway for the year 1920–21.

Ordered, That the said Papers do lie upon the Table; and that the Paper relative to Caledonian and Crinan Canals be printed.

The Lord Advocate presented, pursuant to the directions of an Act of Parliament,—Copy of Annual Report of the Ministry of Health Provisional Order (Cardiff Extension) Bill might be read: And the same being read;

Ordered, That the said Order be applicable to the next Session of Parliament:

Mr. Hilton Young presented, pursuant to the directions of an Act of Parliament,—Copy of the Ministry of Health Provisional Order (Cardiff Extension) Bill.

Ordered, That the said Paper do lie upon the Table.

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Ordered, That the said Paper do lie upon the Table.

Mr. Neal presented, pursuant to the directions of an Act of Parliament,—Copy of the Ministry of Transport on the Caledonian and Crinan Canals, for the eleven months ended 31st March 1921.

Ordered, That the said Paper do lie upon the Table.

Mr. Hilton Young presented, pursuant to the directions of an Act of Parliament,—Copy of the Ministry of Health Provisional Order (Cardiff Extension) Bill.
assembled, beg leave to thank Your Majesty for the Most Gracious Speech which Your Majesty has addressed to both Houses of Parliament.

Having taken into consideration the Articles of Agreement presented to us by Your Majesty's command we are ready to confirm and ratify these Articles in order that the same may be established for ever by the mutual consent of the peoples of Great Britain and Ireland, and we offer to Your Majesty our humble congratulations on the near accomplishment of that work of reconciliation to which Your Majesty has so largely contributed.

And the Question being again proposed:—The House resumed the said adjourned Debate.

An Amendment was proposed to be made to the Question, in l. 9, by leaving out from the word "command," to the end of the Question, and adding the words "this House regrets that the proposed settlement of the government of Ireland indicated in the Gracious Speech from the Throne involves the surrender of the rights of the Crown in Ireland, gives power to establish an independent Irish Army and Navy, violates pledges given to Ulster, and fails to safeguard the rights of the loyalist population in Southern Ireland,"—(Colonel Gretton),—instead thereof.

And the Question being proposed, That the words proposed to be left out stand part of the Question:—And a Debate arising thereupon ;

And a Motion being made, and the Question being put, That the Debate be now adjourned—(Mr. Arthur Henderson);—It was resolved in the Affirmative.

Ordered, That the Debate be resumed to-morrow.

Adjournment. Resolved, That this House do now adjourn;

( Mr. McCurdy.)

And accordingly the House, having continued to sit till five minutes after Eleven of the clock, adjourned till to-morrow.

[No. 3.]

Friday, 16th December 1921.

The House met at Twelve of the clock.

Prayers.

R. Neal presented, pursuant to the directions of an Act of Parliament,—Copy of Provisi-

isonal Regulations, dated 12th November 1921, made by the Minister of Transport, under the Roads Act, 1920, entitled the Road Vehicles (International Circulation Permit) Regulations, 1921.

Ordered, That the said Paper do lie upon the Table.

Mr. Secretary Guest presented, pursuant to the directions of an Act of Parliament,—Copy of Order under the Air Force (Constitution) Act, 1917, revising the rates of travelling allowances for the Royal Air Force.

Ordered, That the said Papers do lie upon the Table.

Ordered, That the Proceedings on the King's Business of Speech (Motion for an Address) be not interrupted this day at Five of the clock.—(Mr. Austen Chamberlain.)

The Order of the day being read, for resuming the adjourned Debate on the Amendment which, upon the 15th day of this instant December, was proposed to be made to the Question proposed upon the 14th day of this instant December, 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 thank Your Majesty for the Most Gracious Speech which Your Majesty has addressed to both Houses of Parliament.

Having taken into consideration the Articles of Agreement presented to us by Your Majesty's command we are ready to confirm and ratify these Articles in order that the same may be established for ever by the mutual consent of the peoples of Great Britain and Ireland, and we offer to Your Majesty our humble congratulations on the near accomplishment of that work of reconciliation to which Your Majesty has so largely contributed;

Which Amendment was, in l. 9, to leave out Government out from the word "command," to the end of the Question, and add the words "this House regrets that the proposed settlement of the government of Ireland indicated in the Gracious Speech from the Throne involves the surrender of the rights of the Crown in Ireland, gives power to establish an independent Irish Army and Navy, violates pledges given to Ulster, and fails to safeguard the rights of the loyalist population in Southern Ireland,"—instead thereof.

And the Question being again proposed, That the words proposed to be left out stand part of the Question:—The House resumed the said adjourned Debate.

Colonel Gretton rose in his place and claimed to move, That the Question be now put.

And the Question being put, That the Question put Question be now put:—It was resolved in the Affirmative.

And the Question being accordingly put, That the words proposed to be left out stand part of the Question:—The House divided.

The Yeas to the Right; The Noes to the Left.

Tellers for the Yeas, Mr. McCurdy, Colonel Sir John Giel-
mour: 401.

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So it was resolved in the Affirmative.

And the Main Question being put :—Resolved, That an humble Address be presented to His Majesty, as followeth:

Most Gracious Sovereign,

We, Your Majesty's most dutiful and loyal subjects, the Commons of the United Kingdom of Great Britain and Ireland, in Parliament assembled, beg leave to thank Your Majesty for the Most Gracious Speech which Your Majesty has addressed to both Houses of Parliament.
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Having taken into consideration the Articles of Agreement presented to us by Your Majesty's command we are ready to confirm and ratify these Articles in order that the same may be established for ever by the mutual consent of the peoples of Great Britain and Ireland, and we offer to Your Majesty our humble congratulations on the near accomplishment of that work of reconciliation to which Your Majesty has so largely contributed.

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.

Adjournment. Resolved, That this House, at its rising this day, do adjourn till Monday next.—(Mr. Austen Chamberlain.)

Whereupon Mr. Speaker adjourned the House without Question put, pursuant to the Resolution of the House of this day.

[No. 4.]

Monday, 19th December 1921.

The House met at a quarter of an hour before Three of the clock.

PRAYERS.

King's Speech. The Vice-Chamberlain of the Household reported to the House, That His Majesty, having been attended with their Address of the 16th day of this instant December, 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. I rejoice to be assured that you are prepared to confirm the Articles of Agreement signed by My Ministers and the Irish Delegation; and I pray that this Agreement may speedily accomplish the complete reconciliation of the peoples of Great Britain and Ireland.

Sir Arthur Griffith-Besawen presented, pursuant to the directions of several Acts of Parliament,—Copy of Order, dated 22nd October 1921, made by the Minister of Agriculture and Fisheries under the Diseases of Animals Acts, revoking the Liverpool (Birkenhead) Landing of Animals Order of 1921 (No. 5), entitled the Liverpool (Birkenhead) Landing of Animals Order of 1921 (No. 6).

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Ordered, That the said Papers do lie upon the Table.

Sir Horace Greenwood presented, pursuant to Department the directions of an Act of Parliament,—Copy of Agriculture and Technical Instruction for Railway Stations) Order, 1921, made by the Department of Agriculture and Technical Instruction for Ireland.

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Ordered, That the said Papers do lie upon the Table.

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Ordered, That the said Paper be printed.

A Motion was made, and the Question being Christian proposed, That this House deeply sympathises Population in with the sufferings of the Christian population in Asia Minor, and urges the Government to take every possible means to assist them—(Lord Robert Cecil):—

A Message was delivered by Lieutenant-General Sir William Pulley, K.C.B., K.C.M.G., D.S.O., Gentleman Usher of the Black Rod:

Mr. Speaker, The Lords, authorised by virtue of His Majesty's Commission for proroguing the present Parliament, 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 His Majesty's Most Gracious Speech 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 Members of the House of Commons,

I have received with deep satisfaction the assurance of your approval of the Articles of the Irish Agreement and of your readiness to give effect to its provisions.

1 pray that the blessing of Almighty God may rest upon your decisions.

Then a Commission for proroguing the Parliament was read.

After which the Lord Chancellor said:

My Lords and Members,

By virtue of His Majesty's Commission, under the Great Seal, to us and other Lords directed, and now read, we do, in His Majesty's Name and in obedience to His Commands, prorogue this Parliament to Tuesday the Thirty-first day of January one thousand nine hundred and twenty-two, to be then here holden; and this Parliament is accordingly prorogued to Tuesday the Thirty-first day of January one thousand nine hundred and twenty-two.
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