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WESTMINSTER.

22nd December 1925.

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 Second day of February next, to be then here helden.
Tuesday, 2nd February 1926.

Prayers at Twelve of the clock.

A MESSAGE from His Majesty, by Message to attend His Majesty:

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;

Darlington Borough Writ.

Ordered, That Mr. Speaker do issue his Warrant to the Clerk of the Crown, to make out a new Writ for the election of a Member to serve in this present Parliament for the Borough of Darlington, in the room of William Edwin Pease, Esquire, deceased.—(Colonel Gibbs.)

Writs issued to the Crown.

Mr. Speaker acquainted the House, That he had issued, during the recess, 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 County of Dumbarton, in the room of David Pinkerton Fleming, Esquire, k.c., who hath accepted the Office of Senator of His Majesty's College of Justice in Scotland.

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For the County of Renfrew (Eastern Division), in the room of Alexander Munro MacRobert, Esquire, k.c., who hath accepted the Office of Solicitor General for Scotland.

Alexander Munro MacRobert, Esquire, k.c., New Member for the County of Renfrew (Eastern Division), was sworn.

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

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

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

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

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

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

Ordered, That the Votes and Proceedings of this House be printed, being first persued 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 the said Journal and Index be printed, being first persued by Mr. Speaker, and that no other person do presume to print the same.

Ordered, That the said Journal and Index be printed by the appointment and under the direction of Sir Thomas Lendals Webster, K.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 delivered to the Librarian of the House of Commons during the Recess, pursuant to Standing Order No. 95—

Copy of Agreement for the settlement of the War Debt of Italy to Great Britain.

Copy of Statement showing the Staffs of Government Departments on 1st October 1925, compiled from Returns furnished to the Treasury.

Copy of Report to the Secretary of State for Foreign Affairs of the British Delegates to the Sixth Assembly of the League of Nations, London, 26th November 1925 (in continuation of Miscellaneous, No. 1, 1925).

2nd February, 1926.

Copy of International Convention for the Prevention of Civil Aviation Accidents (Sno. 1, 1925), in, Obscene Publications. Geneva, 12th September 1925.

Copy of the Royal Commissioners’ First Report relating to Mining Subsidiaries in the Doncaster Area.

Copy of Report by a Court of Inquiry under the Industrial Courts Act, 1919, concerning Railway Shopmen on the Great Central Section of the London and North Eastern Railway.

Copy of Report on Tours in the Native Kavas Reserves and on Native Development in Kenya.

Copy of Memorandum on Agricultural Policy.

Copy of Report to the Minister of Agriculture concerning the Fisheries of the Commission appointed by him in connection with the Ouse Drainage District.

Copy of Agreement with Imperial Airways, Air Ministry, Limited, supplementing the Agreement, dated 15th May 1924, between the President of the Air Council and the Company.

Copy of Memorandum with regard to the Issue of existing Grant System submitted by the Board Education to Lord Naseby’s Committee on Exchequer Grants in respect of locally administered services.

Copy of List of Exceptions to the Ministry of Pensions Regulations as to Pay, Non-Pensions, effective Pay, and Allowances sanctioned during the year ended 31st March 1925.


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

Mr. Neville Chamberlain presented, pursuant to the directions of several Acts of Parliament—Copies of Regulations—:

(1) the National Health Insurance (Deposit Contributions) Amendment Regulations, 1925, dated 23rd December 1925 (Provisional);

(2) the National Health Insurance (Navy, Army, and Air Force) Amendment Regulations, 1925, dated 26th December 1925 (Provisional);

(3) the National Health Insurance (Approved Societies) Amendment Regulations (No. 3), 1925, dated 31st December 1925; and

(4) the National Health Insurance (Exempt Persons) Amendment Regulations, 1925, dated 21st January 1926 (Provisional).

Copies of Regulations, dated 23rd December 1925, entitled—

(1) the National Health Insurance (Primary Pensions) Regulations, 1925; and

(2) the National Health Insurance (Contributory Pensions (Voluntary Contributors) Regulations, 1925;

(3) the National Health Insurance (Contribution (Collection of Contributions) Amendment Regulations, 1925;

(4) the National Health Insurance and Contributory Pensions (Collection of Contributions) Regulations, 1925; and

(5) the National Health Insurance and Contributory Pensions (Mercantile Marine) (Collection of Contributions) Regulations, 1925.
Copies of Regulations:—

1. the Contributory Pensions (Collection of Contributions for Excepted Persons) Regulations, 1925, dated 23rd December, 1925;
2. the Contributory Pensions (Calculation of Contributions) Regulations, 1925, dated 23rd December, 1925;
3. the Contributory Pensions (Recovery of Death Certificates) Regulations, 1925, dated 31st December, 1925 (Provisional);
4. the Contributory Pensions (Reference) Regulations, 1925, dated 31st December, 1925 (Provisional);
5. the Contributory Pensions (Exemption and Exceptional Persons) Regulations, 1925, dated 31st December, 1925;
6. the Contributory Pensions (Claims and Payment) Regulations, 1925, dated 31st December, 1925;
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6. the Contributory Pensions (Claims and Payment) Regulations, 1925, dated 31st December, 1925;
7. the Contributory Pensions (Residential Qualifications) Regulations, 1925, dated 31st December, 1925; and

Mr. Guinness presented, pursuant to the Agricultural directions of several Acts of Parliament,—Copy of Regulations, dated 29th December, 1925; made by the Minister of Agriculture and Fisheries under the Agricultural Wages (Regulation) Act, 1924, entitled the Agricultural Wages Committees (Amendment) Regulations, 1925.

Copy of Draft Regulations proposed to be made by the Minister of Agriculture and Fisheries under the Agricultural Returns Act, 1925, entitled the Agricultural Returns Regulations, 1926.

Copies of Orders under the Diseases of Animals Acts:—

1. authorising the landing of one Cow Eland at the Port of London, and defining quarantine station for it, dated 19th December, 1925;
2. authorising the landing of eight Antelope and four Figs at the Port of London, and defining quarantine station for them, dated 32nd December, 1925;
3. authorising the landing of Zoological Specimens (Zoological Society of Scotland), and defining quarantine station for them, dated 15th January, 1926;
4. authorising the landing of one Male Eland and one Buffalo at the Port of London, and defining quarantine station for them, dated 15th January, 1926;
5. authorising the landing of one Musk Ox at the Port of Newcastle, and defining quarantine station for it, dated 19th January, 1926.

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

Copies of Draft of Order proposed to be made by the Secretary of State for the Home Department:—

1. Borough of Wallasey (two Orders);
2. Borough of Chorley;
3. Borough of Ealing;

Ordered, That the said Papers do lie upon the Table.
Copy 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 1925.

Ordered, That the said Papers do lie upon the Table; and that the said Return and the Paper relative to Police (Counties and Boroughs, England and Wales), be printed.

Secretary Sir Samuel Hoare presented, pursuant to the directions of several Acts of Parliament,—Copy of Order under the Air Force (Constitution) Act, 1917, further amending in certain respects the Regulations appended to His Majesty's Order of 20th July 1924, as amended by subsequent Orders, and included in a volume entitled the King's Regulations and Air Council Instructions for the Royal Air Force.

Auxiliary Air Force.

Copy of Order amending in certain respects His Majesty's Order of 19th June 1925, as amended by His Majesty's Order of 12th December 1925, providing for the government, discipline, pay, and allowances of officers and men of the Auxiliary Air Force, and for other matters relating thereto.

Auxiliary Air Force.

Copy of Order amending in certain respects His Majesty's Order of 18th June 1925, providing for the government, discipline, pay, and allowances of officers and men of the Auxiliary Air Force, and for other matters relating thereto.

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Copy of Order providing for the government, discipline, pay, and allowances of officers and men of the Auxiliary Air Force, and for other matters relating thereto.

Air Force Reserve.

Copies of—

(1) Royal Warrant amending the Royal Warrants of 21st December 1921, 6th February 1923, and 20th November 1924 by further extending the class of persons eligible for selection as officers in the Reserve of Air Force Officers;

(2) Order, pursuant to the above Royal Warrant, providing for the government, discipline, pay, and conditions of service of officers entered under that Royal Warrant and for men of the Royal Air Force Reserve, and further amending and consolidating the Regulations appended to His Majesty's Order of 21st December 1921 as amended by subsequent Orders.

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

Colonel Ashley presented, pursuant to the directions of an Act of Parliament,—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—

(1) the Urban District of Bethesda, in the County of Carmarvon;

(2) parts of the Burghs of Port Glasgow and Gourock, and of the Parishes of Greenock and Inverkip, in the County of Renfrew;

(3) the Urban District of Spalding and the Rural District of Spalding, in the part of Holland, in the County of Lincoln;

(4) the Parish of Little Holland, in the Rural District of Tenemring, in the County of Essex;

(5) the Urban District of Dalton-in-Furness, and part of the Rural District of Ulverston, in the County Palatine of Lancaster.

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

Sir Philip Cunliffe-Lister 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 Rolford Gas and Coke Company, Limited.

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

Secretary Sir Laming Worthington-Evans presented, pursuant to His Majesty's Command,—Copy of General Annual Report on the British Army for the year ended 30th September 1925, with which is incorporated the Annual Report on Recruiting.

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

Mr. McNeill presented, by His Majesty's Civil Services Command,—Estimate of a further sum required for the Civil Services and Revenue Departments for the year ending 31st March 1926.

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

The Lord Advocate presented, pursuant to the directions of several Acts of Parliament,—Copy of University Court Ordinance, No. 145 (Aberdeen, No. 24) (Regulations for Degrees in Science in Engineering and Amendment of University Court Ordinance, No. 97 (Aberdeen, No. 11).

Copy of Report on the Judicial Statistics of Scotland for 1924.

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

Mr. Secretary Amery presented, pursuant to Saint Vincent and the Grenadines by the Governor-in-Council of Saint Vincent on 14th November 1925, amending Rules 199 and 201 dealing with punishments.

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

Lord Kustace Percy presented, pursuant to University of London Act, 1898, by the Senate of the University, on 21st October 1925, amending Statutes of the University.

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

Mr. Secretary Sir Anthony Champion presented, Treaty Series No. 56, 1913.), &c., between the United Kingdom and Foreign States. Accessions, Withdrawals, No. 6 (in continuation of Treaty Series No. 28, 1924).

Copy of Index to Treaty Series, 1925.

Ordered, That the said Papers do lie upon the Table.
Lord Eustace Percy presented, pursuant to the directions of an Act of Parliament,—Copy of Regulations, dated 27th January 1926, made by the Board of Education under Section 118 of the Education Act, 1921, entitled the Training of Teachers (Amending) Regulations No. 1920. Ordered, That the said Paper do lie upon the Table.

East India (Loans raised in India.)

Mr. Speaker reported His Majesty’s Speech, and read it to the House as followeth—

My Lords and Members of the House of Commons,

My relations with foreign Powers continue to be friendly. Since Parliament rose My Ambassador at Constantinople has proceeded to Angora with a view to arrive at a definite settlement of questions in connection with the Turco-Iraq frontier. My Government cordially reciprocate the desire of the Turkish Government for the promotion of the friendly relations between Turkey and Great Britain.

A Treaty between Myself and His Majesty the King of Iraq, carrying out the stipulations laid down in the decision of the Council of the League of Nations, has been signed by our respective representatives and has been approved by the Parliament of Iraq. It will be submitted to you without delay.

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action and discussions are proceeding with a view to the formulation of definite proposals on the subject. A Bill will be presented to enable County Councils to continue and extend the provision of small holdings and cottage holdings, both for owner occupiers and for tenants.

A measure will be laid before you to provide in suitable cases for marking imported agricultural produce and manufactured goods, so that they may be distinguished from the products of this country, and Empire goods distinguished from those of foreign origin.

While I learn with satisfaction of the progress made in the building of new houses in the urban areas of England and Wales, the conditions under which many of My people are compelled to live, both in country districts and in the congested areas of numerous towns, still occasion Me deep concern. My Ministers are now examining certain proposals for the improvement of these conditions, and if time permits they will submit to you measures designed to hasten the removal of the worst defects both in town and country.

My Ministers hope that it may be possible to carry further the process of consolidating the main statutes regulating the local government of the country.

I propose to appoint an additional Secretary of State to replace the Secretary for Scotland, and you will be asked to pass the necessary legislation providing for the transfer of functions.

Bills will be laid before you, if time and opportunity permit, dealing with the following matters:

National Health Insurance.
Unemployment Insurance.
The rating of railways.
The control of road vehicles.
The finance of Poor Law in London and the position and powers of Boards of Guardians.

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

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

Most Gracious Sovereign,

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

And a Debate arising thereupon;

Ordered, That the Debate be now adjourned.—(Mr. Arthur Henderson.)

Ordered, That the Debate be resumed to-morrow.
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Great Indian Peninsular Railway Annuities.

Hastings Corporation.

Horley District Gas Company (Electricity Supply).

Kiddminster and Kidderminster Tramways.

Leicestershire and Warwickshire Electric Power.

London County Council (General Powers).

Manchester Ship Canal (General Powers).

Margate Corporation.

Moxhorough and Swinton Tramways.

Mildford Docks.

Newcastle-upon-Tyne Corporation.

Perth and Kinross, for the removal of Bethlem Hospital. 1925.—Order, That the said Paper do lie upon the Table.

Mr. M'Neil presented, pursuant to the directions of several Acts of Parliament,—Copy of Statement of the Amounts due by the Public to Depositors in Military Savings Banks on 31st March 1924, and of the Receipts, Interest, and Disbursements during the year ended 31st March 1925, &c.

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

Copy of Treasury Minute, dated 18th January 1925, granting a Retired Allowance to Mr. David Bruce Greg, Skilled Workman, Class I., General Post Office, under Section 2 of the Superannuation Act, 1897.

Ordered, That the said Papers do lie upon the Table; and that the Paper relative to Imperial Ottoman Guaranteed Loan of 1855 be printed.

Copies of Regulations made under the London Traffic Act, 1924:—

(1) dated 24th August 1925, entitled the London Traffic (Restricted Streets) (No. 3) Regulations, 1925;

(2) dated 11th September 1925, entitled the London Traffic (Broken Down Vehicles) Regulations, 1925;

(3) dated 11th September 1925, entitled the London Traffic (Parking Places) Regulations, 1925;

(4) dated 11th September 1925, entitled the London Traffic (Lighting of Street Works) Regulations, 1925; and

(5) dated 16th December 1925, entitled the London Traffic (Restricted Streets) Amendment (No. 2) Provisional Regulations, 1925.

Copy of Order, dated 14th January 1926, Motor Car Act, 1926.—Copy of Order, dated 14th January 1926, Motor Car Act, 1926, regulating in certain respects the Motor Cabs Act, 1926, Regulation (County of Forfar) (No. 1) Order, 1906.

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

Ordered, That there be laid before this House, Trade and Navigation of the United Kingdom for each month during the year 1926.—(Sir Philip Cunliffe-Lister.)

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

The Lords have passed a Bill, intituled Bethlem Hospital Act to provide for the removal of Bethlem Hospital Bill [Lords.] Hospital to the Monks Orchard Estate at Addington, in Surrey, and Beekham and West Wickham, in Kent; and for the disposal of the existing hospital premises and convalescent home, and for other purposes; to which the Lords desire the concurrence of this House.

The House was moved, That the Standing Orders of the 16th day of December 1925 Hospital Bill [Lords.]
relating to the Bethlem Hospital Bill [Lords],
suspended in the last Session of Parliament,
with the same being read;

The Bethlem Hospital Bill [Lords] was read for the first time; and ordered to be read a second time.

Lieutenant-Colonel John Gibb Thom, D.S.O., M.C., Member for the County of Dumbarton, was sworn.

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 Tuesdays 9th and 16th February and Wednesdays 10th and 17th February, do hand in their names at the Table during the sitting of the House on Tuesday 2nd February or Wednesday 3rd 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 Thursday 4th February:

That the ballot for the precedence of the said Bills and Motions be taken on Thursday 4th February, at a convenient time and place, to be appointed by Mr. Speaker, and that the presentation of Bills on Friday 5th February be taken at the commencement of Public Business.—(The Prime Minister.)

Resolved, That during the present Session the House do meet on Fridays at Eleven of the clock, and that Four of the clock and half-past Five of the clock, respectively, as the hours for the interruption of Business and Adjournment of the House on that day.—(The Prime Minister.)

The Order of the day being read, for resuming the adjourned Debate on the Question proposed upon the 2nd 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.

Ordered, That the Debate be now adjourned.

—(Mr. Thomas Kennedy.)

Ordered, That the Debate be resumed to­morrow.

Adjournment. 

Resolved, That this House do now adjourn.—

(Colonel Gibbs.)

And accordingly the House, having continued to sit till nine minutes before Eleven of the clock, adjourned till to­morrow.
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And they have certified that the Standing Orders have not been complied with in the following case, viz.:

Brompton, Chatham, Gillingham, and Rochester Water.

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

Dover Harbour.

Shoreham Harbour.

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

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

Brompton, Chatham, Gillingham, and Rochester Water (Lords).

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

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

Mr. McNeill presented, pursuant to the directions of an Act of Parliament, — Appropriation Accounts of the sums granted by Parliament for Civil Services for the year ended 31st March 1925, with the Report of the Comptroller and Auditor General thereon and upon certain Store Accounts.

Appropriation Accounts of the sums granted by Parliament for Revenue Departments for the year ended 31st March 1925, with the Report of the Comptroller and Auditor General thereon and upon Revenue and certain Store Accounts.

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

Sir Philip Cunliffe-Lister presented,—Return to an Order, dated the 3rd day of this instant February, for a Return relative to Trade and Navigation.

Sir Philip Cunliffe-Lister also presented, pursuant to the directions of several Acts of Parliament, —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 Mayor, Aldermen, and Burgesses of the Borough of Newbarn.


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

The Order of the day being read, for resuming the adjourned Debate on the Question proposed upon the 2nd day of this instant February, Vol. 181.

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

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And the Question being again proposed:—

The House resumed the said adjourned Debate.

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

"But humbly submit to Your Majesty that, Unemployment, while Your Ministers admit that under their administration the state of employment continues to be deplorable and that there are but scanty indications of any improvement in trade, the programme they propose to Parliament is not calculated substantially to reduce unemployment or to stimulate industry; and we further submit that trade prosperity, with the assurance of a reasonable standard of living for all, urgently demands a fundamental reorganisation of industry on the lines of public ownership and democratic control of the essential services."—(Mr. Snowden.)

And the Question being proposed. That these words be there added.—And a Debate arising thereon;

Ordered, That the Debate be now adjourned.

—(Mr. Arthur Henderson.)

Ordered, That the Debate be resumed to-morrow.

Receiv'd, That this House do now adjourn. Adjournment.

—(Colonel Gibbs.)

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

Friday, 5th February 1926.

The House met at Eleven of the clock.

PRAYERS.

A BILL to enable the Mayor, Aldermen, and Burgesses of the Borough of Bermotdey to control the carrying on of street trading in the streets 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 empower the Mayor, Aldermen, and Bolton Burgesses of the County Borough of Bolton to acquire lands for various purposes; to confer upon them further powers of running omnibuses; to make further provision with reference to the improvement, health, and
5th February.

A Bill to empower the Lord Mayor, Aldermen, and Citizens of the City and County of Kingston-upon-Hull to construct bridges across the River Hill and the Hedon Haven, tramways, and waterworks; to extend their limits for the supply of water; to make further provision 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 establish a superannuation fund for certain salaried officers of the London and North Eastern Railway Company, and for other purposes, was presented, and read the first time; and ordered to be read a second time.

A Bill to empower the London, Midland, and Scottish Railway Company to construct railways, and for other purposes, was presented, and read the first time; and ordered to be read a second-time.

A Bill to confer upon the London Power Company, Limited, powers to acquire lands and to construct a generating station and other works, and for other purposes, was presented, and read the first time; and ordered to be read a second time.

A Bill to provide for the establishment of a superannuation scheme for officers and servants of the Manchester Ship Canal Company, and for other purposes, was presented, and read the first time; and ordered to be read a second time.

A Bill to amend certain provisions of the Medway Conservancy Act, 1881, relating to the Medway Conservancy (Superannuation Fund) Bill.

A Bill to empower the Metropolitan Railway Company to construct new railways and other works and to acquire lands; to revive and extend the time for the compulsory purchase of certain lands; to extend the time for the compulsory purchase of certain other lands and the completion of certain works; to raise additional capital; to confer further powers on that Company and the London and North Eastern Railway 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 empower the Metropolitan Railway Company to construct new railways and other works and to acquire lands; to revive and extend the time for the compulsory purchase of certain lands; to extend the time for the compulsory purchase of certain other lands and the completion of certain works; to raise additional capital; to confer further powers on that Company and the London and North Eastern Railway 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 empower the Lord Mayor, Aldermen, and Citizens of the City and County of Kingston-upon-Hull to construct bridges across the River Hill and the Hedon Haven, tramways, and waterworks; to extend their limits for the supply of water; to make further provision 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 consolidate the rates and to make further provision with respect to the finances of the Borough of Middlesbrough, and for other purposes, was presented, and read the first time; and ordered to be read a second time.

A Bill to consolidate the rates and to make further provision with respect to the finances of the Borough of Oldham, and for other purposes, was presented, and read the first time; and ordered to be read a second time.

A Bill to empower the Southern Railway Company to construct works and acquire lands; to confirm the construction of certain works; to extend the time for the compulsory purchase of certain lands; to transfer to the said Company the undertaking of the Newhaven Harbour Company, and for other purposes, was presented, and read the first time; and ordered to be read a second time.

A Bill to establish a superannuation fund for certain salaried officers of the Southern Railway Company, 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 the Swindon Borough of Swindon to acquire lands; to run omnibuses; to extend their limits of supply for electricity, and for other purposes, was presented, and read the first time; and ordered to be read a second time.

A Bill to authorize the improvement of the Teignmouth bridge over the River Teign at Teignmouth in the County of Devon; to make further provision in regard to the ferry across the said river at Teignmouth, and for other purposes, was presented, and read the first time; and ordered to be read a second time.

Mr. M'Neill presented, by His Majesty's Trade Command,—Copy of Memorandum on the proposed Financial Resolution relative to Trade Facilities, showing the Expenditure likely to be incurred.

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 all Applications made by the First Bank of England, the Exchequer to the Governor and Deputy Governor of the Bank of England for Advances to Government authorised by Parliament, from 6th January 1925 to 5th January 1926, and the answers of the said Court thereto.


Ordered, That the said Papers be printed.

Received, That this House, at its rising this day, do adjourn till Monday next.—(Colonel Gibbs.)
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5th February, 1926.

Mr. Greswolde-Lord, supported by Mr. Healey, Captain O'Connor, Mr. Robert Hudson, Mr. Grotain, Captain Fairfax, Mr. Merriman, Sir Henry Cadley, Mr. Bird, Mr. Ryg, Mr. William Griffith, and Sir John Simon, presented a Bill to increase and extend the powers of the Court to inflict punishment in the case of certain crimes: And the same was ordered to be read a second time upon Friday the 19th day of this instant February; and to be printed.

Mr. Galbraith, supported by Sir Henry Stanger, Mr. Rentoul, Mr. A. E. Kennedy, Sir Malcolm Macnaghten, Mr. Hurst, Mr. Penny, Brigadier-General Cockrell, Mr. Atlee, and Colonel Handlson, presented a Bill to make provision for the adoption of Infants: And the same was ordered to be read a second time upon Friday the 26th day of this instant February; and to be printed.

Mr. Clayton, supported by Mr. Roy Wilson, Colonel Foulsham-Jenyon, Colonel Viccom-Herndon, Sir Frederic Wise, and Mr. Hurst, presented a Bill to remove the necessity of the re-election of Members of the House of Commons on acceptance of office: And the same was ordered to be read a second time upon Friday next; and to be printed.

Mr. Lees Smith, supported by Mr. C igers, Mr. Webb, Mr. Wolp, Mr. Greenwood, Mr. Langley, Mr. Hayley, and Mr. William Graham, presented a Bill to make provision for the prevention of Unemployment, and for other purposes connected therewith: And the same was ordered to be read a second time upon Friday the 5th day of March next; and to be printed.

Mr. RAFford, supported by Sir Herbert Courtauld, Colonel Burton, and Mr. Waverley, presented a Bill to make provision for enabling Local Authorities to provide and run combusines with and without their districts: And the same was ordered to be read a second time upon Friday the 12th day of March next; and to be printed.

Mr. Beckett, supported by Mr. Weasley, Mr. Greenwood, Mr. March, Mr. Montague, Mr. Venn, Mr. James Simont, and Mr. Hardie, presented a Bill to prevent excessive charges for Building Materials, and to make provision for securing an adequate supply of such materials, and for other purposes incidental thereto: And the same was ordered to be read a second time upon Friday the 16th day of March next; and to be printed.

Miss Wilkinson, supported by Mr. Arthur Henderson, Mr. Rhyes Davies, Mr. Makkander, Mr. Thomas Shaw, Mr. Beckett, Mr. Robinson, Mr. Daw, and Mr. Maiton, presented a Bill to consolidate, with Amendments, the enactments relating to Factories, and for purposes connected therewith: And the same was ordered to be read a second time upon Friday the 26th day of March next; and to be printed.

Major Kindersley, supported by Sir Evelyn Cecil, Mr. Fisher, Mr. Cigars, Sir John Simon, Sir Lewis Scott, Mr. James Henry Thomas, Sir Herbert Nisbet, Mr. Bunceman, Lord Apsley, Major Birkhall, and Captain Bourne, presented a Bill to regulate the publication of Reports of Judicial Proceedings in such manner as to prevent injury to public morals: And the same was ordered to be read a second time upon Friday the 16th day of April next; and to be printed.

Major Glynn, supported by Mr. Wells, Mr. Moneylenders Somerville, Captain Bourne, Mr. Robert Hudson, Mr. Macmilla, Mr. Loder, Mr. Skelton, Colonel Vivian Henderson, and Mr. Oliver Stanley, presented a Bill to amend the Law with respect to persons carrying on business as Moneylenders: And the same was ordered to be read a second time upon Friday the 23rd day of April next; and to be printed.

Brigadier-General Clifton Brown, supported Bill. and Sir Arthur Holdbrook, Commander Sir Alfred Knox, Colonel Sir Arthur Holbrook, and Captain Fairfax, presented a Bill to amend the Sale of Food and Drugs Act, 1875, by regulating the liability of milk producers in respect of milk adulteration: And the same was ordered to be read a second time upon Friday the 30th day of April next; and to be printed.

Mr. Benn, supported by Mr. Mitchell Banks, Mr. Greswolde-Lord, Colonel Sir Arthur Holbrook, Mr. Ashmall Bardast, Sir Richard Barnett, Sir Philip Dawson, Mr. Clarry, Colonel Grant Morden, and Mr. Miller, presented a Bill to amend the Law relating to hotels and Restaurants: And the same was ordered to be read a second time upon Friday the 7th day of May next; and to be printed.

Mr. Wiggins, supported by Captain Ernest Raising of Evans, Captain Garo-Jones, Mr. Trelawny, Captain Wedderburn, Mr. Livingstone, and Sir Robert Hamilton, presented a Bill to provide for the valuation of land for the raising of Land Values, and for other purposes connected therewith: And the same was ordered to be read a second time upon Friday the 14th day of May next; and to be printed.

Commander Fursehouse, supported by Mr. Skelton, Dr. Shields, Captain Weddowood Benn, Major Brown-Lownd, and Mr. MacIntyre, presented a Bill to amend section sixteen of the Allotments (Scotland) Act, 1922: And the same was ordered to be read a second time upon Friday the 10th day of this instant February; and to be printed.

Colonel Vaughan-Morgan presented a Bill to confer the municipal franchise upon mercantile corporations and companies: And the same was ordered to be read a second time upon Friday the 7th day of May next; and to be printed.
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5th February, 1921:

Mr. Atholl, supported by Mr. Dennison, Mr. Barnes, Mr. William Thorne, Mr. Taylor, Mr. Pollock, and Mr. Compton, presented a Bill to extend the powers of Local Authorities in matters of finance and municipal trading; and the same was ordered to be read a second time upon Friday the 25th day of March next; and to be printed.

Mr. Robert Smith, supported by Commander Fenck, Mr. Stephen Mitchell, Mr. Templeton, Brigadier-General Charteris, and Mr. Livingstone, presented a Bill to facilitate the burning of heather in Scotland and to extend the period in which this can be done; and the same was ordered to be read a second time upon Friday the 12th day of March next; and to be printed.

Mr. John Jones, supported by Mr. Clynes, Local Authorities (Payment of Expenses) Bill.

Mr. Griffiths, Mr. Morris, Mr. Baines, Mr. Chorlton, Mr. Backett, and Mr. Connally, 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 next; and to be printed.

Mr. Ewan Davie, supported by Mr. George Coal Mines Hall, Mr. Lumsden, Mr. Donald Greenfield, Mr. Munday Jones, and Mr. Betty, presented a Bill to amend the Coal Mines Act, 1911; and the same was ordered to be read a second time upon Friday the 7th day of May next; and to be printed.

Mr. Lee, supported by Mr. Robert Young, Blind Persons (Amendment) Bill.

Mr. Groves, Mr. Thomas Henderson, Mr. Movement, and Mr. Frederick Roberts, 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 in respect of the acts of the workmen in the coal mining industry of Scotland; and the same was ordered to be read a second time upon Friday the 14th day of May next; and to be printed.

Colonel Sir Arthur Holbrook, supported by Sir Nicholas Oates, Mr. Paul, and Mr. Howard Boothby, presented a Bill to amend the Law relating to break-ins in Hotels and Restaurants; and the same was ordered to be read a second time upon Friday the 15th day of May next; and to be printed.

Mr. Herbert Williams, supported by Mr. Protection of Animals Bill.

Mr. Groves, Mr. Thomas Henderson, Mr. Movement, Mr. Frederick Roberts, Mr. Howard Boothby, Lieutenant-Commander Kemsley, Sir Philip Richardson, Mr. Peabody, and Mr. Ferr, presented a Bill to extend the operation of the Protection of Animals Acts in respect of animals kept in captivity or confinement and released for the purpose of being hunted or caged and the same was ordered to be read a second time upon Friday the 18th day of March next; and to be printed.

Mr. Morris presented a Bill to promote Temperance in Wales and Monmouthshire by conferring on the electors in prescribed areas control over the grant and renewal of licences; by amending the law relating to clubs, and for other purposes incidental thereto; and the same was ordered to be read a second time upon Friday the 10th day of April next; and to be printed.
Mr. Asson, supported by Lord Henry Cavendish-Bentinck, Captain Wedgwood Benn, Mr. Briant, Sir Robert Neumann, and Sir Walford Sugden, presented a Bill to amend the Education Act, 1921: And the same was ordered to be read a second time upon Friday the 12th day of March next; and to be printed.

The Order of the day being read, for resuming the said adjourned Debate on the Amendment which, upon the 4th day of this instant February, was proposed to be made to the Question proposed upon the 2nd 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 Question, to add the words,—

"But humbly submit to Your Majesty, That while Your Ministers admit that under their administration the state of employment continues to be deplorable and that there are but scanty indications of any improvement in trade, the programme they propose to Parliament is not calculated substantially to reduce unemployment or to stimulate industry; and we further submit that trade prosperity, with the assurance of a reasonable standard of living for all, urgently demands a fundamental reorganisation of industry on the lines of public ownership and democratic control of the essential services."

And the Question being again proposed, Those words to be there added:—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 Yeas, Mr. Parkinson: 112.
Tellers for the Noes, Sir Harry Burnetts: 299.

So it passed in the Negative.

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

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

Ordered, That the Debate be resumed upon Monday next.

Whereupon Mr. Speaker adjourned the House without Question put, pursuant to Standing Order No. 2, at being then ten minutes after Four of the clock, till Monday next, pursuant to the Resolution of the House of this day.
Another Amendment was proposed to be made to the Question, by adding at the end thereof the words:

"But regret that the Gracious Speech con- tains no reference to educational policy calcu- lated to remove the widespread dismay created by the issue of Circular 1,371 and Memorandum 44 by the Board of Education, particularly the proposal to substitute block grants for the percentage grant, which would have the effect of paralysing educational progress."—(Sir John Simon.)

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. Harris, Sir Henry Barnston.

Tellers for the Noes, Mr. George Collins, Sir John Simon.

So it passed in the Negative.

And the Main Question being put:

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

Most Gracious Sovereign,

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

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

Resolved, That this House will, to-morrow, supply.

And the Question being again proposed:

And it being Eleven of the clock, the Motion for the Adjournment of the House lapsed, without Question put.

A Motion was made, and the Question being Adjournment, proposed, That this House do now adjourn. (Colonel Gibbs.)

And it being Eleven of the clock, the Motion for the Adjournment of the House lapsed, without Question put.

A Motion was made, and the Question being Adjournment, proposed, That this House do now adjourn. (Colonel Gibbs.)

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.
Tuesday, 9th February 1926.

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

PRAYERS.

ORD Enstone Percy presented, pursuant to the directions of an Act of Parliament,—Copy of Application from Edwin Stewart Craig and Miss Emily Penrose, under the College Charter Act, 1871, for the grant of a Charter of Incorporation to the Principal and Council of Somerville College, together with a Copy of the Draft of the Charter applied for.

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

Mr. Secretary Amery presented, by His Majesty's Command,—Copy of Treaty with King Faisal of Iraq, Signed at Baghdad, 13th January 1926 (with explanatory Note).

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

Mr. McNair presented, pursuant to the directions of several Acts of Parliament,—Copy of Application to the Board of Trade, to Form a Company for the purpose of providing a scheme for the discontinuance of the Gas Undertaking of the Borough of Solihull, to be called the Solihull Gas Company, and for the application of the Act of Incorporation of the Solihull Gas Company.

Ordered, That the said Paper do lie upon the Table; and that the Papers relative to the development Fund and Road Fund be printed.

Sir Philip Cammiffe-Lyster presented, pursuant to the directions of an Act of Parliament,—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 Solihull Gas Company.

Ordered, That the said Paper do lie upon the Table; and that the Papers relative to the development Fund and Road Fund be printed.

Mr. Macfiey, supported by Sir Samuel Chapman, Mr. Robert Macdonald, Major Brown-Lindsay, and Mr. Rocheby, presented a Bill to authorise Local Authorities to incur expenditure, when deemed expedient, in conveying knowledge of birth control methods to married women who desire it.—[Mr. Thrurtle.]

1. Motion made, and Question put, That a Supplementary sum not exceeding £66,500 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 1926 for Expenditure in respect of Diplomatic and Consular Buildings.

The Committee divided.

Tellers for the [Mr. Thrurtle, Yeas, (Sir William Davison : ] 81.

So it passed in the Negative.

The House, according to Order, resolved Supply.

(In the Committee.)

Civil Services and Revenue Departments Supplementary Estimate, 1925-26.

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

Mr. Hore-Belisha 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.

Mr. Lansbury 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.

Chairman reserves the Question (Abuse of Rules.)

And the Motion being opposed, after a brief Mr. Speaker explanatory statement from the Member who opposed it, Mr. Speaker put the Question, pursuant to Standing Order No. 11;

The House divided.

The Yeas to the Right;

Tellers for the [Mr. Thrurtle, Yeas, (Sir William Davison : ] 81.

Tellers for the [Mr. Thrurtle, Nos. (Mr. Meneil]: 167.

So it passed in the Negative.

The Original Question again proposed : Whereupon Motion made, and Question proposed, That a sum not exceeding £56,500 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 1926 for Expenditure in respect of Customs and Excise, Inland Revenue, Post Office and Telegraph Buildings in Great Britain, and certain Post Offices Abroad.

Mr. Hore-Belisha 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.

Chairman reserves the Question (Abuse of Rules.)

And the Motion being opposed, after a brief Mr. Speaker explanatory statement from the Member who opposed it, Mr. Speaker put the Question, pursuant to Standing Order No. 11;

The House divided.

The Yeas to the Right;

Tellers for the [Mr. Thrurtle, Yeas, (Sir William Davison : ] 81.

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So it passed in the Negative.

The Original Question again proposed : Whereupon Motion made, and Question proposed, That a Supplementary sum not exceeding £56,500 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 1926 for Expenditure in respect of Diplomatic and Consular Buildings.

The Committee divided.

Tellers for the [Major Coppe, Yeas, (Captain Murgenson : ] 204.

Tellers for the [Mr. Charles Edwirts, Nos. (Mr. Parkinson : ] 120.

2. Motion made, and Question proposed, That a Supplementary sum not exceeding £56,500 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 1926 for Expenditure in respect of Customs and Excise, Inland Revenue, Post Office and Telegraph Buildings in Great Britain, and certain Post Offices Abroad.

Mr. Hore-Belisha 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.

Chairman reserves the Question (Abuse of Rules.)

And the Motion being opposed, after a brief Mr. Speaker explanatory statement from the Member who opposed it, Mr. Speaker put the Question, pursuant to Standing Order No. 11;

The House divided.

The Yeas to the Right;

Tellers for the [Mr. Thrurtle, Yeas, (Sir William Davison : ] 81.

Tellers for the [Mr. Thrurtle, Nos. (Mr. Meneil]: 167.

So it passed in the Negative.

The Original Question again proposed : Whereupon Motion made, and Question proposed, That a Supplementary sum not exceeding £56,500 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 1926 for Expenditure in respect of Diplomatic and Consular Buildings.

The Committee divided.

Tellers for the [Major Coppe, Yeas, (Captain Murgenson : ] 204.

Tellers for the [Mr. Charles Edwirts, Nos. (Mr. Parkinson : ] 120.

3. Motion made, and Question proposed, That a sum not exceeding £66,500 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 1926 for Expenditure in respect of Customs and Excise, Inland Revenue, Post Office and Telegraph Buildings in Great Britain, and certain Post Offices Abroad.

Mr. Hore-Belisha 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.

Chairman reserves the Question (Abuse of Rules.)

And the Motion being opposed, after a brief Mr. Speaker explanatory statement from the Member who opposed it, Mr. Speaker put the Question, pursuant to Standing Order No. 11;

The House divided.

The Yeas to the Right;

Tellers for the [Mr. Thrurtle, Yeas, (Sir William Davison : ] 81.

Tellers for the [Mr. Thrurtle, Nos. (Mr. Meneil]: 167.

So it passed in the Negative.

The Original Question again proposed : Whereupon Motion made, and Question proposed, That a sum not exceeding £66,500 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 1926 for Expenditure in respect of Diplomatic and Consular Buildings.

The Committee divided.

Tellers for the [Major Coppe, Yeas, (Captain Murgenson : ] 204.

Tellers for the [Mr. Charles Edwirts, Nos. (Mr. Parkinson : ] 120.

4. Motion made, and Question proposed, That a Supplementary sum not exceeding £56,500 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 1926 for Expenditure in respect of Diplomatic and Consular Buildings.

The Committee divided.

Tellers for the [Major Coppe, Yeas, (Captain Murgenson : ] 204.

Tellers for the [Mr. Charles Edwirts, Nos. (Mr. Parkinson : ] 120.
Mr. Speaker withheld his assent, and declined to move, That the Question be now put; but Mr. Speaker claimed, that the original Question be now put.

The Committee divided.

Tellers for the 
Sir Harry Barnston : 248.
Mr. Barnes : 116.

Question put accordingly, That a Supplementary sum not exceeding £66,400 be granted for the said Service.

The Committee divided.

Tellers for the 
Mr. Benjamin Smith : 117.
Mr. Barnes : 114.

And it being a quarter-past Eight of the clock, further Proceedings were postponed with the assent of Sir Joseph Nall.

A Motion was made, and the Question being proposed, That in the opinion of this House, an authoritative inquiry, with the object of making recommendations to Parliament for dealing with the whole position of irregular practice in medicine and surgery, is urgently necessary.—(Dr. Little.)

An Amendment was proposed to be made to the Question, in l. 2, by having added the word “of” to the word “is,” in l. 3, and inserting the words “securing the recognition and registration of manipulative practitioners having approved qualifications.” (Mr. Atkinson),—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 Joseph Nall rose in his place, and claimed to move, That the Question be now put; but Mr. Speaker withheld his assent, and declined to put that Question—Then the House resumed the Debate;

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

Postponed Proceeding resumed.

Motion made, and Question proposed, That a Supplementary sum not exceeding £21,000 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 1926, for Expenditure in respect of Employment Exchange and Insurance Buildings, Great Britain (including Ministries of Labour and Health).

And it being after Eleven of the clock, and objection being taken to further Proceeding, the Chairman left the Chair to make his Report to the House.

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

Ordered, That the Report be read to-morrow.

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

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

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

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

The Order of the day being read, for the Public Works Second Reading of the Public Works Loans (No. 7.) Bill;

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

And then the House, having continued to sit till two minutes after Eleven of the clock, adjourned till to-morrow.
Ordered, That the Bristol Corporation Bill be read a second time to-morrow.

Ordered, That the City of London (Various Powers) Bill was read a second time, and committed.

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

Ordered, That the Gas Light and Coke Company Bill was read a second time, and referred to the Examiners of Petitions for Private Bills.

Ordered, That the Manchester Ship Canal (Superannuation) Bill was read a second time, and referred to the Examiners of Petitions for Private Bills.

Ordered, That the Mid-Nottinghamshire Joint Railways Bill was read a second time, and referred to the Examiners of Petitions for Private Bills.

Ordered, That the Mynyddiawen Urban District Council Bill was read a second time, and committed.

Ordered, That the Oldham Extension Bill was read a second time, and committed.

Ordered, That the Exebridge Urban District Council Bill was read a second time, and committed.

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

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

Ordered, That the South-bottom Urban District Council Bill was read a second time, and committed.

Ordered, That the South-bottom Urban District Council Bill was read a second time to-morrow.

Ordered, That the Southern Railway (Superannuation Fund) Bill be read a second time to-morrow.

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

Ordered, That the Teignmouth and Shaldon Bridge Bill be read a second time to-morrow.

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

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their Inspection of Local Lighthouses, Buoys, and Beacons in 1925.

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

A Motion was made, and the Question being proposed, That leave be given to bring in a Bill to enable leaseholders of houses whose original leases were granted for a term of not less than thirty years to purchase the freehold estate and each other outstanding interests affecting the property on such equitable terms as, failing agreement, may be determined by the Minister of Health for the time being.—(Major Malone.)

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.

Ordered, That Major Malone, Mr. G. W. H. Jones, Major Tasker, Mr. Dunshe, Colonel Dalrymple White, and Mr. Briggs do prepare and bring in the Bill.

Major Malone accordingly presented a Bill to enable leaseholders of houses whose original leases were granted for a term of not less than thirty years to purchase the freehold estate and each other outstanding interests affecting the property on such equitable terms as, failing agreement, may be determined by the Minister of Health for the time being: And the same was read the first time, and ordered to be read a second time upon Monday next; and to be printed.

Ordered, That leave be given to bring in a Bill to enable Local Authorities, if they think fit, to establish Municipal Banks in their area: And that Mr. Scurr, Mr. Dalton, Mr. Beck, Mr. Groves, Mr. Mackinder, Mr. Taylor, and Mr. Ritten do prepare and bring it in.

Mr. Scurr accordingly presented a Bill to authorise Local Authorities, if they think fit, to establish Municipal Banks in their area: And the same was read the first time, and ordered to be read a second time upon Monday next; and to be printed.

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

(In the Committee.)

Civil Services and Revenue Departments Supplementary Estimate, 1925-26.

Class I.

1. Motion made, and Question proposed, That a Supplementary sum not exceeding £158,345, 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 1926 for Expenditure in respect of sundry Public Buildings in Great Britain, not provided for on other Votes, including Historic Buildings, Ancient Monuments, and Brompton Cemetery:

Whereupon Motion made, and Question proposed, That a sum not exceeding £158,345 be granted for the said Service.—(Mr. Scurr):—Debate arising;

Mr. Godfrey Locker-Lampson rose in his place and claimed to move, That the Question be now put.—(pursuant to S.O. Closure of Debate.)

Question put, That the Question be now put. Question put agreed to. (pursuant to S.O. Closure of Debate.)

The Committee divided.

Tellers for the "Yea," Mr. Stanley and Mr. Warne. Tellers for the "Nay," Mr. Scrur, and Lord Stanely. Question put accordingly, That a sum not exceeding £158,345 be granted for the said Service.

The Committee divided.

Tellers for the "Yea," Mr. Warne. Tellers for the "Nay," Mr. Scurr. Mr. Godfrey Locker-Lampson claimed, That the Original Question be now put.

Original Question put accordingly, and agreed to.

2. Motion made, and Question proposed, That a Supplementary sum not exceeding £11,900 be granted for the said Service.

The Committee divided.

Tellers for the "Yea," Mr. Charles Edwards, and Mr. Warne. Tellers for the "Nay," Mr. Scurr. Mr. Godfrey Locker-Lampson claimed, That the Original Question be now put.

Original Question put accordingly, and agreed to.

3. Motion made, and Question proposed, That a Supplementary sum not exceeding £183 be granted for the said Service.

The Committee divided.

Tellers for the "Yea," Mr. Charles Edwards, and Mr. Warne. Tellers for the "Nay," Mr. Scurr. Mr. Godfrey Locker-Lampson claimed, That the Original Question be now put.

Original Question put accordingly, and agreed to.

4. Motion made, and Question proposed, That a Supplementary sum not exceeding £11,900 be granted for the said Service.

The Committee divided.

Tellers for the "Yea," Mr. Charles Edwards, and Mr. Warne. Tellers for the "Nay," Mr. Scurr. Mr. Godfrey Locker-Lampson claimed, That the Original Question be now put.

Original Question put accordingly, and agreed to.

5. Motion made, and Question proposed, That a Supplementary sum not exceeding £11,900 be granted for the said Service.

The Committee divided.

Tellers for the "Yea," Mr. Charles Edwards, and Mr. Warne. Tellers for the "Nay," Mr. Scurr. Mr. Godfrey Locker-Lampson claimed, That the Original Question be now put.

Original Question put accordingly, and agreed to.

Question put, That the Question be now put. Question put agreed to. (pursuant to S.O. Closure of Debate.)

Whereupon Motion made, and Question proposed, That a sum not exceeding £11,900 be granted for the said Service.—(Mr. Scurr):—Debate arising;

Mr. Godfrey Locker-Lampson rose in his place and claimed to move, That the Question be now put.—(pursuant to S.O. Closure of Debate.)

Question put, That the Question be now put. Question put agreed to. (pursuant to S.O. Closure of Debate.)

The Committee divided.

Tellers for the "Yea," Mr. Warne. Tellers for the "Nay," Mr. Scurr. Mr. Godfrey Locker-Lampson claimed, That the Original Question be now put.

Original Question put accordingly, and agreed to.

And it being after 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 proposed, That this House is of the opinion that the solution of the present economic and industrial situation in this country lies in increased production, with adequate remuneration to the worker in proportion to output,
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The Order of the day being read, the Report from the Committee of Supply of the 9th day of this instant February;
Ordered, That the Report be received to-morrow.

The Order of the day being read, for the Ways and Means;
Resolved, That this House will, to-morrow, resolve itself into the said Committee.

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

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 Rooms.)

Ordered, That the Committee do consist of Seventeen Members.

The Committee was accordingly nominated of Sir James Agg-Gardner, Sir Compton, Sir Walter de Peere, Sir Nicholas Grotam Doyle, Mr. Durnico, Sir Park Goff, Mr. George Harvey, Major Hunnasy, Lieutenant-General Sir Aylmer Hunter-Weston, Sir Robert Hutchinson, Mr. Kirkwood, Mr. Macpherson, Mr. Murchison, Sir Herbert Nield, Mrs. Philp, Colonel Lambert Ward, and Miss Wilkinson.

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

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

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

[No. 8.]

Thursday, 11th February 1926.

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

PRAYERS.

THE Order of the day being read, for the Bristol Second Reading of the Bristol Corporation Bill;
Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time upon Tuesday next.

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

thus enabling this country successfully to compete in the markets of the world and consequently to increase her exports.—(Mr. Smithers.)

An Amendment was proposed to be made to the Question, in 1, 2, by leaving out from the first word "the" to the end of the Question, and adding the words "immediate improvement of the industrial situation lies in the organisation of industry for the elimination of waste and the sound capitalisation of industry, and that increased production, though desirable, would aggravate the industrial situation and would not guarantee continuity of employment unless its distribution be equitable and is devoted to raising the standard of life of the people"—(Mr. Barnes),—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. Barnes rose in his place and claimed to rise to the House.
And the Chairman left the Chair to make his Report to the House.

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

The Chairman of Ways and Means also acquainted the House that the Committee had made Progress in the matter to them referred; and that he was directed to move, That the Committee may have leave to sit again.
Resolved, That this House will, to-morrow, again resolve itself into the said Committee.

So it was resolved in the Affirmative.

And the Main Question being again proposed.—And a Debate arising thereupon;
And it being after Eleven of the clock, the Debate stood adjourned.

Postponed Proceeding resumed.
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 1926 for Expenditure in respect of Housing Schemes under the Management of the Office of Works;
And it being after Eleven of the clock, and objection being taken to further Proceeding, the Chairman left the Chair to make his Report to the House.

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

The Order of the day being read, for receiving Supply the Report from the Committee of Supply of the 9th day of this instant February;
Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time upon Wednesday next.

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

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time upon Friday the 19th day of this instant February.

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

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

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

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

Ordered, That Four be the quorum of the House.

Ordered, That Standing Orders 119, 150, and 173a apply to all such Bills.

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

Ordered, That Four be the quorum of the Committee.

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

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

Mr. Broad, Major Cadogan, Mr. Grundy, Standing Captain Howard, Major-General Sir Newton Orders. Moore, Mr. Neville, Mr. Somervell, Mr. George Thorne, Colonel Dalrymple Williams, and Mr. Robert Young were nominated Members of the Select Committee on Standing Orders.—(Colonel Gibbs.)

Lord Eustace Percy presented, by His Majesty's Command,—Copy of Report of the Committee of the Privy Council on the question of Contributions to Imperial Funds from the Islands of Jersey, Guernsey, and Man.

Lord Eustace Percy also presented, pursuant to the directions of several Acts of Parliament,—Copy of Order in Council under the Air Navigation Act, 1920, dated 16th December 1925, entitled the Air Navigation (Amendment) Order, 1925.

Copy of Order in Council under the British Settlemens Act, 1887, dated 16th December, 1923, entitled the Kenya and Uganda (Transport) Order in Council, 1925.

Copy of Order in Council under the Finance Act, 1923, dated 16th December, 1925, entitled the Relief from Double Income Tax on Shipping Profits (Finland) Declaration, 1925.
Foreign Jurisdiction Act, 1890.

Copy of Order in Council under the Foreign Jurisdiction Act, 1899, dated 1st February 1926, entitled the Zanzibar Order in Council, 1926.

Greenwich Hospital Act, 1865.

Copy of Order in Council under the Greenwich Hospital Act, 1865, dated 10th December 1925, approving an Admiralty Memorial regarding the discontinuance of Greenwich Pension at the increased rate of ninepence a day in certain cases.

Merchant Shipping Acts.

Copies of Three Orders in Council under the Merchant Shipping Acts—

(1) further postponing the operation of the Merchant Shipping (Convention) Act, 1914;

(2) entitled the Trinity House (Variation of Establishment) Order, 1925; and

(3) entitled the Merchant Shipping (Cardiff Seamen's Lodging-Houses Keepers) Order, 1926.

Naval and Marine Pay and Pensions Act, 1865.

Copy of Order in Council under the Treaties of Peace (Austria and Bulgaria) Act, 1920, dated 16th December 1925, entitled the Treaty of Peace (Austria) (Amendment) Order, 1925.

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

Electrolysis (Supply Acts.

Colonel Ashley presented, by His Majesty's Command.—Copy of Special Report by the Electricity Commissioners under Section 1 of the Electric Lighting Act, 1888, on the Linthgow and Falkirk District Electricity (Extension) Special Order, 1925, dispensing with the consent of the Corporation of Whitburn.

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

The following Paper, pursuant to the directions of an Act of Parliament, was laid upon the Table by the Clerk of the House:—

Accounts of the Land Purchase Commission (Northern Ireland), for the year ended 31st March 1925, with the Report of the Comptroller and Auditor General thereon.

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

Midwives and Maternity Homes Bill, Bill 38.

Colonel Fremantle, supported by Major Hills, Sir Henry Hasler, Mr. Harris, and Mr. Greenwood, presented a Bill to amend the Midwives Acts, 1902 and 1918, and to provide for the registration of maternity homes, and for purposes connected therewith: And the same was ordered to be read a second time upon Monday the 22nd day of this instant February; and to be printed.

Supply.

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

Civil Services and Revenue Departments (Supplementary Estimate, 1925-26.)

Class VII.

Grants and other Expenses in connection with Housing, Grants to Local Authorities, etc., Grants in respect of Benefits and Expenses of Administration under the National Health Insurance Act, 1924, and certain Grants in Aid.

Class III.

2. Motion made, and Question proposed, that a Supplementary sum not exceeding £47,100 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 1926 for Grants in respect of Police Expenditure and for a Grant in Aid of the Police Federation in Scotland.—Debate rising:

Colonel Sir John Gilmore rose in his place and claimed to move, That the Question be now put.

Question put, That the Question be now put.

The Committee divided:

Tellers for the Yeas, Captain Viscount Wolseley:

Tellers for the Nays, Mr. Parkinson, Mr. Warne:

Question put accordingly, and agreed to.

Resolutions to be reported.

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

Ordered, That the Report be received tomorrow.

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

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

Ordered, That the Report be received to-morrow.

The Order of the day being read, for receiving the Report from the Committee of Supply of the 9th day of this instant February:

Ordered, That the Report be received to-morrow.

The Order of the day being read, for receiving the Report from the Committee of Supply of the 10th day of this instant February:

Ordered, That the Report be received to-morrow.

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

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

Ordered, That the Committee of Privileges do consist of Ten Members.

The Committee was accordingly nominated of the Prime Minister, Mr. Attorney General, Lord Hugh Cecil, Mr. Clynes, Mr. Arthur.
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Henderson, Sir Ellis Hume-Williams, Mr. Ramsay MacDonald, Sir Robert Sanders, Sir John Simon, and Colonel Spencer-Clay.

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

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

Publications and Select Committee.

Ordered, That a Select Committee be appointed to assist Mr. Speaker in the arrangements for the Report of Debates, and to inquire into the expenditure on Stationery and Printing for this House and the public services generally.

The Committee was nominated of Sir Robert Blundell, Mr. Bouwer, Mr. Burman, Mr. Gates, Mr. Hall Caine, Mr. Hore-Belisha, Mr. Locker, Mr. Neybor, Colonel Perkins, Mr. Ramsden, and Mr. Frederick Roberts.

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

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

Public Accounts.

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

The Committee was accordingly nominated of Mr. Walter Baker, Sir Gervase Beckett, Mr. Briggs, Captain Croix, Sir Henry Crak, Mr. Gillet, Mr. William Graham, Sir Robert Hamilton, Mr. Harmsworth, Sir John Marriott, Mr. McNevil, Mr. Patrick-Lawrence, Colonel Ascotson Foulall, Major Salmon, and Sir Fredric Wise.

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.

A Motion was made, and the Question being proposed, That this House do now adjourn.—(Colonel Gibbs.)

And it being half an hour after Eleven of the clock, Mr. Speaker adjourned the House without Question put, pursuant to the Standing Order, Bill to-morrow.

[No. 9.]

Friday, 12th February 1926.

The House met at Eleven of the clock.

PRAYERS.

The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the London Electric and Metropolitan District Railway Companies Bill; Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time upon Thursday next.

The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the London Electric and Metropolitan District Railway Companies 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 Port of London Bill.

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

The Southern Railway Bill was, according Southern 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 Teignmouth Second Reading of the Teignmouth and Shaldon Bridge Bill; Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time upon Tuesday next.

Mr. McKenna presented, pursuant to the Trade directions of an Act of Parliament,—Copy of Statement of Guarantees which the Treasury have stated their willingness to give, under the Trade Facilities Acts, up to 31st December 1925.

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

The Order of the day being read, for the Re-election of Ministers 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. Dannre.)

And the Question being proposed, That the word "now" stand part of the Question:—And a Debate arising thereupon;

Mr. Amess 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 word "now" stand part of the Question:—

The House divided.

The Yeas, Mr. Clayton, 143.

Tellers for the Yeas, Mr. O'Neill: 74.

Tellers for the Noses, Mr. Thomas Henderson.

So 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 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;

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. Hurd.)
And the Question being proposed, That the word "now" stand part of the Question:—
And a Debate arising thereupon;

Closure claimed; but Mr. Speaker withholds his assent.

Mr. John Jones 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 Four of the clock, the Debate stood adjourned.

Ordered, That the Debate be resumed upon Monday next.

Ways and Means.

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

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


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

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


The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Leasehold Enfranchisement 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 11th day of this instant February;

Ordered, That the Report be received upon Monday next.


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

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

Ways and Means.

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

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

Public Works Loans Bill.

The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Public Works Loans Bill;

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

Whereupon Mr Speaker adjourned the House without Question put, pursuant to Standing Order No 3, it being then one minute after Four of the clock, till Monday next.

Monday, 15th February 1926.

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

PRAYERS.

The Order of the day being read, for the London Power Company Bill;

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

The Order of the day being read, for the Metropolitan Electric Supply Company Bill;

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

A Petition of the Rhymney Valley Water Board under their Common Seal, praying, That provision may be made in the Rhymney Valley Water Bill for the re-imbursement by them of expenditure incurred by the Rhymney Urban District Council in respect of water mains laid to serve the Nantmelyn housing scheme of the said Council, was presented, and read; and referred to the Examiners of Petitions for Private Bills.

Mr. M'Neill presented, pursuant to the directions of several Acts of Parliament,—

Account of the Receipts and Disbursements of the Duchy of Lancaster in the year ended 21st December 1925; also a separate Account of the Capital of the Duchy to the same date.

Account of the Gross Amount of all Bank National Annuities and any Annuities for terms of years and other securities transferred, and of all Sums of Money paid to the Commissioners for the Reduction of the National Debt; and the Gross Amount of Annuities for lives and for terms of years, &c., granted within the year ended 5th January 1926.

Ordered, That the said Papers do he upon the Table; and that the Paper relative to National Debt Annuities be printed.

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

(In the Committee.)

Civil Services and Revenue Departments Supplementary Estimate, 1925-26.

Class II.

Motion made, and Question proposed, That a Supplementary sum not exceeding £26,660 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 1926 for the Salaries and Expenses of the Board of Control (Lunacy and Mental Deficiency), England, Grants in respect of the Maintenance of certain Ex-Service Mental Patients, and certain Damages and Costs in a legal action:
Whereupon Motion made, and Question proposed, That a sum not exceeding £16,657 be granted to the said Service—(Mr. Patrick-Lawrence)—Motion, by leave, withdrawn.

Original Question again proposed.—Motion, by leave, withdrawn.

1. £3,810, Supplementary, for the Salaries and Expenses of the Department of the Registrar General of Births, &c.

2. £48,000, Supplementary, for Stationery, Printing, Paper, Binding, and Printed Books for the Public Service; for the Salaries and Expenses of the Stationery Office, and for sundry Miscellaneous Services, including Reports of Parliamentary Debates.

3. Motion made, and Question proposed, That a Supplementary sum not exceeding £3,231 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 1926 for the Salaries and Expenses of the Office of the Commissioners of His Majesty's Works and Public Buildings:

Whereupon Motion made, and Question proposed, That a sum not exceeding £3,231 be granted for the said Service—(Mr. Lansbury)—Debate arising;

Mr. Godfrey Locker-Lampson rose in his place and claimed to move, That the Question be now put.

Question put, That the Question be now put. The Committee divided.

Tellers for the Yeas, 
Mr. Parkinson, Major Hennessy.
Tellers for the Noes, Mr. Thomas Hender-son.

Question put accordingly, That a sum not exceeding £3,231 be granted for the said Service.

The Committee divided.

Tellers for the Yeas, Mr. Parkinson, Mr. Thomas Hender-son.
Tellers for the Noes, Major Hennessy, Major Cope.

Mr. Godfrey Locker-Lampson claimed, That the Original Question be now put.

Question put accordingly, That a Supplementary sum not exceeding £3,331 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 1926 for the Salaries and Expenses of the Mines Department:

Whereupon Motion made, and Question proposed, That a sum not exceeding £6,225 be granted to the said Service—(Mr. Batley)—Debate arising;

Colonel Lane-Fox 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 Captain Margesson, Captain Viscount Curzon: 228.
Tellers for the Mr. Parkinson, Mr. Hayes: 101.

Question put accordingly, That a sum not exceeding £16,657 be granted for the said Service.

The Committee divided.

Tellers for the Yeas, Mr. Charles Edwards: 98.
Tellers for the Noes, Lord Stanley: 246.

Colonel Lane-Fox claimed, That the Original Question be now put.

Question, That a Supplementary sum not Original exceeding £16,757 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 1926 for the Salaries and Expenses of the Mines Department of the Board of Trade, put accordingly, and agreed to.

Class VI.

Motion made, and Question proposed, That a Supplementary sum not exceeding £6,235 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 1926 for the Salaries and other Expenses of Royal Commissions, Committees, and Special Inquiries, &c., including provision for Short-hand, and the Expenses of Surplus Stores, &c., Liquidation;

And it being Eleven of the clock, the Chairman left the Chair to make his Report to the House.

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

The Chairman of Ways and Means also acquainted the House that the Committee had made Progress in the matter to them referred; and that he was directed to move, That the Committee may have leave to sit again. Resolved, That this House will, to-morrow, again resolve itself into the said Committee.

The Order of the day being read, for receiving Supply the Report from the Committee of Supply of the 11th day of this instant February: Ordered, That the Report be received to-morrow.
The Order of the day being read, for receiving the Report from the Committee of Supply of the 9th day of this instant February;
Ordered, That the Report be received to-morrow.

The Order of the day being read, for receiving the Report from the Committee of Supply of the 10th day of this instant February;
Ordered, That the Report be received to-morrow.

The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Local Authorities (Payment of Expenses) Bill;
Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time upon Thursday next.

The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Metropolitan Railway Bill;
Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time upon Thursday next.

The Teignmouth and Shaldon Bridge Bill was, according to Order, read a second time; Bridge Bill.
Ordered, That the Bill be referred to the Examiners of Petitions for Private Bills.

Colonel Ashley presented, pursuant to the Electricity directions of an Act of Parliament,—Copies of Acts.
Special Orders made by the Electricity Commissioners, and confirmed by the Minister of Transport under the Electricity (Supply) Act, 1919, in respect of—
(1) part of the Rural District of Whiston, in the County Palatine of Lancaster;
(2) the Rural District of Solihull and part of the Rural District of Meriden, in the County of Warwick.
Ordered, That the said Paper do lie upon the Table.

Mr. Winsterton presented, pursuant to the East India directions of an Act of Parliament,—Copies of Amendments made by the Governor General Reforms.)
Special Orders made by the Government of India in Council with the sanction of the Secretary of State in Council—
(1) to the Devolution Rules, under Section 45A, read with Section 129A, of the Government of India Act; and
(2) to the Bombay Electoral Rules, under Section 72A, read with Section 129A, of the Government of India Act.
Ordered, That the said Paper do lie upon the Table.

Mr. McNeill presented, by His Majesty’s Unemployment Command.—Copy of Memorandum explaining the proposed Financial Resolution relative to Unemployment Insurance (Northern Ireland Agreement).
Ordered, That the said Paper do lie upon the Table.

Mr. William Nicholson reported from the Select Committee of Selection; That they had selected the following Nine Members to be the Panel:—Chairman’s Panel; and to serve as Chairman of the Six Standing Committees appointed under Standing Order No. 47.—Major Sir Richard Barrett, Mr. James Brown, Sir Cyril Cobb, Mr. Morgan Jones, Mr. William Nicholson, Mr. Samuel Roberts, Sir Robert Sanders, Mr. Short, and Sir Edmund Turton.
Ordered, That the Report do lie upon the Table.

Mr. William Nicholson reported from the Select Committee of Selection; That they had selected the following Ten Members to be the Panel to serve on Unopposed Bill Committees under Standing Order 105.—Major
Birchall, Mr. Bowes-Lyon, Mr. Cadogan, Sir Martin Conway, Captain Crookshank, Mr. Grant, Colonel James, Mr. Jenkins, Colonel Spender-Clay, and Mr. George Thorne.

Ordered, That the Report do lie upon the Table.

Mr. William Nicholson reported from the Committee of Selection; That, in pursuance of the provisions of the Private Legislation Procedure (Scotland) Act, 1899, they had selected the following Twenty-one Members to form the Parliamentary Panel of Members of this House to act as Commissioners:—Sir George Berrv, Sir Samuel Chapman, Sir Henry Craik, Sir Patrick Ford, Mr. Hardie, Sir Harry Hope, Lieutenant-General Sir Agnes Hunter-Weston, Mr. Kidd, Mr. Kerwood, Major MacAndrew, Sir Murdoch Macdonald, Mr. MacInnes, Mr. Neil Maclean, Mr. Maxton, Mr. Roslyn Mitchell, Mr. Sanderson, Mr. Skilton, Sir Alexander Spratt, Mr. James Stuart, Mr. Frederick Thomson, and Mr. M'Lean Watson.

Ordered, That the Report do lie upon the Table.

Mr. William Nicholson reported from the Committee of Selection; That, in pursuance of Section 1, subsection (3), of the Parliament Procedure (Scotland) Act, 1911, they had appointed Mr. Shotton and Mr. Edward Porton from the Chairmen's Panel, with whom Mr. Speaker shall consult, if practicable, before giving his certificate to a Money Bill.

Ordered, That the Report do lie upon the Table.

Ordered, That the Minutes of Proceedings of the Joint Committee on Indian Affairs appointed in the last Session of Parliament, be printed.

New Member elected. John James Wither, Esquire, Member for Cambridge University, was sworn.

Business of the House.

A Motion was made, and the Question being put, That the Proceedings on Government Business be exempted, at this day's Sitting, from the provisions of the Standing Order (Sittings of the House)—(The Prime Minister.)

The House divided.

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

Tellers for the 'Colonel Gibbs,  
Yea,  
Sir Harry Barnston,  
Yea,  
259.
Tellers for the Mr. Parkinson,  
Noe,  
Mr. Barnes:  
128.
So it was resolved in the Affirmative.

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

(in the Committee.)

Civil Service and Revenue Departments Supplementary Estimate, 1925-26.

Class II.

1. Motion made, and Question proposed, That a Supplementary sum not exceeding £303,000 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 1926 for the Salaries and Expenses of the Ministry of Agriculture and Fisheries, including a subsidy on Sugar and Molasses manufactured from Beet grown in Great Britain, Expenses under the Agricultural Wages (Regulation) Act, 1924, Loans to Agricultural Co-operative Societies, Grants for Agricultural Education and Research, Grants for eradication of Tuberculosis in Cattle, Grants for Land Drainage, a Grant in Aid of the Small Holdings Account, and certain other Grants in Aid; and of the Royal Botanic Gardens, Kew:

Whereupon Motion made, and Question proposed, That a sum not exceeding £302,900 be granted for the said Service—(Lieutenant-Commander Kenworthy):—Debate arising;

Mr. Guinness was 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 Sir Harry Barnston, 
Yea,  
Captain Boucher:  
-252.
Tellers for the Mr. Parkinson,  
Noe,  
Mr. Warne:  
-125.

Question put accordingly, That a sum not exceeding £302,900 be granted for the said Service.

The Committee divided.

Tellers for the Lieutenant-Commander Kenworthy,  
Yea,  
215.
Tellers for the Major Hankey,  
Noe,  
Captain Boucher:  
-209.

Mr. Guinness claimed, That the Original Question be now put.

Question put accordingly, That a Supplementary sum not exceeding £303,000 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 1926 for the Salaries and Expenses of the Ministry of Agriculture and Fisheries, including a subsidy on Sugar and Molasses manufactured from Beet grown in Great Britain, Expenses under the Agricultural Wages (Regulation) Act, 1924, Loans to Agricultural Co-operative Societies, Grants for Agricultural Education and Research, Grants for eradication of Tuberculosis in Cattle, Grants for Land Drainage, a Grant in Aid of the Small Holdings Account, and certain other Grants in Aid; and of the Royal Botanic Gardens, Kew:

Whereupon Motion made, and Question proposed, That a sum not exceeding £302,900 be granted for the said Service—(Lieutenant-Commander Kenworthy):—Debate arising;

Mr. Guinness was 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 Sir Harry Barnston, 
Yea,  
Captain Boucher:  
-202.
Tellers for the Mr. Parkinson,  
Noe,  
Mr. Warne:  
-125.

Question put accordingly, That a sum not exceeding £302,900 be granted for the said Service.

The Committee divided.

Tellers for the Lieutenant-Commander Kenworthy,  
Yea,  
215.
Tellers for the Major Hankey,  
Noe,  
Captain Boucher:  
-209.

Mr. Guinness claimed, That the Original Question be now put.

Question put accordingly, That a Supplementary sum not exceeding £303,000 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 1926 for the Salaries and Expenses of the Ministry of Agriculture and Fisheries, including a subsidy on Sugar and Molasses manufactured from Beet grown in Great Britain, Expenses under the Agricultural Wages (Regulation) Act, 1924, Loans to Agricultural Co-operative Societies, Grants for Agricultural Education and Research, Grants for eradication of Tuberculosis in Cattle, Grants for Land Drainage, a Grant in Aid of the Small Holdings Account, and certain other Grants in Aid; and of the Royal Botanic Gardens, Kew:

Whereupon Motion made, and Question proposed, That a sum not exceeding £302,900 be granted for the said Service—(Lieutenant-Commander Kenworthy):—Debate arising;

Mr. Guinness was 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 Sir Harry Barnston, 
Yea,  
Captain Boucher:  
-252.
Tellers for the Mr. Parkinson,  
Noe,  
Mr. Warne:  
-125.

Question put accordingly, That a sum not exceeding £302,900 be granted for the said Service.

The Committee divided.

Tellers for the Lieutenant-Commander Kenworthy,  
Yea,  
215.
Tellers for the Major Hankey,  
Noe,  
Captain Boucher:  
-209.

Mr. Guinness claimed, That the Original Question be now put.

Question put accordingly, That a Supplementary sum not exceeding £303,000 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 1926 for the Salaries and Expenses of the Ministry of Agriculture and Fisheries, including a subsidy on Sugar and Molasses manufactured from Beet grown in Great Britain, Expenses under the Agricultural Wages (Regulation) Act, 1924, Loans to Agricultural Co-operative Societies, Grants for Agricultural Education and Research, Grants for eradication of Tuberculosis in Cattle, Grants for Land Drainage, a Grant in Aid of the Small Holdings Account, and certain other Grants in Aid; and of the Royal Botanic Gardens, Kew:

Whereupon Motion made, and Question proposed, That a sum not exceeding £302,900 be granted for the said Service—(Lieutenant-Commander Kenworthy):—Debate arising;

Mr. Guinness was 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 Sir Harry Barnston, 
Yea,  
Captain Boucher:  
-202.
Tellers for the Mr. Parkinson,  
Noe,  
Mr. Warne:  
-125.

Question put accordingly, That a sum not exceeding £302,900 be granted for the said Service.

The Committee divided.

Tellers for the Lieutenant-Commander Kenworthy,  
Yea,  
215.
Tellers for the Major Hankey,  
Noe,  
Captain Boucher:  
-209.
Supply.

2. Motion made and Question proposed, That a Supplementary sum not exceeding £12,600 be granted for the said Service.—(Mr. Thurtle):

—Debate arising;

—Put, pursuant to the Standing Order,

—Question put, That the Question be now put.

The Committee divided.

Tellers for the Yeas, 


Tellers for the Nos, 


Question put accordingly, That a sum not exceeding £12,600 be granted for the said Service.

The Committee divided.

Tellers for the Yeas, 


Tellers for the Nos, 


Question put accordingly, That a Supplementary sum not exceeding £12,700 be granted for the said Service.

The Committee divided.

Tellers for the Yeas, 


Tellers for the Nos, 


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

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 five minutes before One of the clock on Wednesday morning till this day.

[No. 12.] Wednesday, 17th February 1926.

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

PRAYERS.

The Order of the day being read, for the London and North Eastern Railway (Superannuation Fund) Bill; 

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

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 Southern Railway (Superannuation Fund) Bill:
Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time upon Friday the 26th day of this instant February.

Ordered, That Mr. Speaker do issue his Writ to the Clerk of the Crown, to make out a new Writ for the election of a Member to serve in this present Parliament for the University of Durham, the Victoria University of Manchester, the University of Liverpool, the University of Leeds, the University of Sheffield, the University of Birmingham, and the University of Bristol, in the room of the Right Honourable Herbert Albert Laurence Fisher, who, since his election for the said Universities, hath accepted the Office of Steward or Bailiff of His Majesty's Three Chilterns Hundreds of Stoke, Dossborough and Barnham, in the County of Buckingham.—(Sir Godfrey Collins.)

Secretary Sir Samuel Hoare presented, by His Majesty's Command,—Estimates of Effective and Non-Effective Services of the Air Force for the year 1926-27.

Copy of Memorandum by the Secretary of State for Air relative to the Air Estimates, 1926-27.

Secretary Sir Samuel Hoare also presented, pursuant to the directions of an Act of Parliament,—Copy of Order under the Air Force (Constitution) Act, 1917, further amending, in certain respects, the Regulations appended to His Majesty's Order of 25th July 1924, as amended by subsequent Orders, and included in a volume entitled the King's Regulations and Air Council Instructions for the Royal Air Force.

Copy of Order amending in certain respects His Majesty's Order of 15th April 1925, as amended by His Majesty's Order of 9th July 1925, providing for the government, discipline, and pay of Officers of the Special Reserve of Air Force Officers and Special Reservists serving in Special Reserve Squadrons.

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

Mr. McNevill presented, pursuant to the directions of an Act of Parliament,—Copy of Thirty-fourth Annual Report of the Inspection Committee of Trustees Savings Banks for the year ended 29th November 1925, with Appendices.

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

Mr. Bridgeman presented, by His Majesty's Command,—Copy of Particulars of the Fleets of the British Empire, United States of America, Japan, France, Italy, Soviet Union, and Germany on 1st February 1926, distinguishing, both built and building, Battleships, Battle cruisers, Cruisers, Cruiser Mine-layers, Armoured Coast Defence Vessels and Monitors, Aircraft Carriers, Flotilla Leaders, Destroyers, Torpedo Boats, Gunboats and Despatch Vessels, River Gunboats, and Mine-sweepers.

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

Mr. Guinnesse presented, pursuant to the Directions of an Act of Parliament,—Copy of Order under the Diseases of Animals Acts, dated 9th February 1926, authorising the landing of seven Antelopes at the Port of London, and defining quarantine station for them.

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

The following Paper, pursuant to the Report of the Select Committee on Expiring Laws in Session 1866, was laid upon the Table by the Clerk of the House:


Ordered, That the said Paper be printed.

A Motion was made, and the Question being Business of the Day, put, That the Proceedings on Government Business be exempted, at this day's Sitting, from the provisions of the Standing Order (Sittings of the House)—(The Prime Minister.)

The House divided.

The Yeas to the Right;

Tellers for the Colonel Gibbs, Yes, Sir Harry Barnston : 277.

Tellers for the Mr. Hayes, Yes, Mr. Charles Edward : 128.

So it was resolved in the Affirmative.

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

In the Committee.

Civil Services and Revenue Departments Supplementary Estimate, 1925-26.

Revenue Departments.

1. Motion made, and Question proposed, That a Supplementary sum not exceeding £59,000 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 1926 for the Salaries and Expenses of the Customs and Excise Department.

Whereupon Motion made, and Question put, That a sum not exceeding £59,000 be granted for the said Service.—(Mr. Bunciman.)

The Committee divided.


Tellers for the Major Cope, No, Captain Marples : 368.

Original Question put, and agreed to.

2. £947,000, Supplementary, for the Salaries and Expenses of the Post Office, including Telegraphs and Telephones.

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3. £23,900, Supplementary, for the Salaries and Expenses of the Department of Overseas Trade.
Road Fund.

4. £10, Supplementary, for Expenditure in connection with a British Government Exhibit and Sundry Displays at the British Empire Exhibition, 1925.

5. £10, Supplementary, for the Expenses of Pensions, Compensation Allowances and Gratuities awarded to retired and disbanded members and staff of the Royal Irish Constabulary, and to widows and children of such members, including annuities to the National Debt Commissioners in respect of commutation of Compensation Allowances, and certain extra-Statutory Payments.

6. £198,000, Supplementary, for the payment of Old Age Pensions, for certain Administrative Expenses in connection therewith, and for Pensions under the Blind Persons Act, 1926.

Resolutions to be reported.

Class V.

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 1926 for Expenses connected with Oversea Settlement, including certain Grants in Aid, and Expenses arising out of the Empire Settlement Act, 1922, and the Free Passage Scheme for Ex-Service Men and Women:

Whereupon Motion made, and Question, That the Chairman do report Progress; and ask leave to sit again—(Mr. Secretary Amery),—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 to-morrow.

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

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

A Motion was made, and the Question being proposed, That, in the opinion of this House, no money should be taken, allocated, or spent out of the Road Fund for any purposes other than for the purpose of construction, repair, and maintenance of roads and bridges—(Mr. Disley).

An Amendment was proposed to be made to the Question, in l. 1, by leaving out from the word "That" to the end of the Question, and adding the words "this House, being prepared to accept the assurances which have already been given, that the amount of money assigned to the upkeep of roads, and particularly of rural roads, will be increased and not diminished, and will not be a fixed but an expanding amount, and also that a wider measure of discretion will be given to Local Authorities in their expenditure, is of opinion that it should await the full statement of the policy of His Majesty's Government in accordance with constitutional practice”—(Mr. Geoffrey Peto),—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. Snowden 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;

The Yeas to the Right;

The Noes to the Left.

Tellers for the (Mr. Parkinson,

Yess, \(Mr. Hayes: \)

Noes, \(Sir Harry Barnston: \)

So it passed in the Negative.

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

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

Ordered, That the Report be received to-morrow.

The Order of the day being read, for receiving Supply the Report from the Committee of Supply of the 16th day of this instant February;

Ordered, That the Report be received to-morrow.

The Order of the day being read, for receiving Supply the Report from the Committee of Supply of the 10th day of this instant February;

Ordered, That the Report be received to-morrow.

The Order of the day being read, for receiving Supply the Report from the Committee of Supply of the 9th day of this instant February;

Ordered, That the Report be received to-morrow.

The Order of the day being read, for receiving Supply the Report from the Committee of Supply of the 16th day of this instant February;

Ordered, That the Report be received to-morrow.

The Order of the day being read, for receiving Supply the Report from the Committee of Supply of the 10th day of this instant February;

Ordered, That the Report be received to-morrow.

The Order of the day being read, for receiving Supply the Report from the Committee of Supply of the 16th day of this instant February;

Ordered, That the Report be received to-morrow.

The Order of the day being read, for the Public Works Loans Bill;—Report.

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

And then the House, having continued to sit until nine minutes after Eleven of the clock, adjourned till to-morrow.
Order, That the said Petition be referred to the Committee of Supply.

Mr. M'Nei] presented, pursuant to the Ulster directions of an Act of Parliament,—Copy of Draft of a Special Order proposed to be made by the Board of Trade under the Gas Regulation Act, 1899, on the application of the Bedford District Gas Company.

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 the Superannuation Scheme for Teachers (Scotland), 1926, made under the Education (Scotland) (Superannuation) Act, 1925. 

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

Mr. M'Nei] supported by Mr. Chancellor of the Exchequer and Secretary Sir [Chamberlain) presented a Bill to the Committee of Supply.

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

Mr. M'Neill presented, pursuant to the Ulster guaranteeing the payment of the principal of Ulster Savings Certificates sufficient to produce in the aggregate the further sum of £287,500 (second series) and interest thereon.

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

A Motion was made, and the Question being put, That the Motion relative to the Anglo-Iraq Treaty have precedence this day of the Business of Supply, and that the Proceedings on Government Business be exempted, at this day’s Sitting, from the provisions of the Standing Order (Sittings of the House)—(The Prime Minister):

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

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

A Petition of the Trustees of the British Museum being offered to be presented—(Mr. Ramsay MacDonald); Secretary Sir [Joynson-Hicks], by His Majesty’s Command, acquainted the House with the contents of the said Petition, recommends it to the consideration of the House. That the Bill be read a second time to-morrow.

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

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

The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the London, Midland, and Scottish Railway Bill;

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

The Metropolitan Railway Bill was, according to Order, read a second time.

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

Ordered, That the said Petition be referred to the Committee of Supply.
ment to use every effort to expedite the admission of Iraq to the League of Nations—(Mr. Ramsey MacDonald),—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 Nays to the Left.

Tellers for the Yeas,
Sir Harry Barnston, 265.
Captain Viscount Curzon;
Mr. Parkinson, 116.
Mr. Thomas Hender.

Tellers for the Nays,
So it was resolved in the Affirmative.

And the Main Question being put:
The Yeas to the Right;
The Nays to the Left.

Tellers for the Yeas,
Sir Harry Barnston, 260.
Captain Viscount Curzon;
Mr. Parkinson, 116.
Mr. Thomas Hender.

Tellers for the Nays,
So it was resolved in the Affirmative.

Resolved, That this House approves the Treaty signed between representatives of His Majesty and of the King of Iraq, in order to fulfil the stipulation made by the Council of the League of Nations in connection with the settlement of the Iraqi boundary.

Colonel Gibbs reported from the Committee of Supply of the 17th day of this instant February, several Resolutions; which were read, as follow:

Civil Services and Revenue Departments Supplementary Estimate, 1925-26.

Revenue Departments.

1. 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 1926 for the Salaries and Expenses of the Customs and Excise Department.

2. That a Supplementary sum not exceeding £416,000 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 1926 for the Salaries and Expenses of the Post Office, including Telegraphs and Telephones.

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3. That a Supplementary sum not exceeding £32,600 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 1926 for the Salaries and Expenses of the Department of Overseas Trade.

Class VI.

4. 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 March 1926 for Expenditure in connection with a British Government Exhibit and Sundry Displays at the British Empire Exhibition, 1925.

5. 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 1926, for the Expenses of Pensions, Compensation Allowances and Gratuities awarded to retired and disbanded members and staff of the Royal Irish Constabulary, and to widows and children of such members, including annuities to the National Debt Commissioners in respect of commutation of Compensation Allowances, and certain extra-statutory Payments.

6. That a Supplementary sum not exceeding £198,000 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 1926 for the payment of Old Age Pensions, for certain Administrative Expenses in connection therewith, and for Pensions under the Blind Persons Act, 1929.

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

The Order of the day being read, for receiving Supply the Report from the Committee of Supply of the 16th day of this instant February;

Ordered, That the Report be received upon Monday next.

The Order of the day being read, for receiving Supply the Report from the Committee of Supply of the 19th day of this instant February;

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 9th day of this instant February;

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 19th day of this instant February;

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 11th day of this instant February;

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 19th day of this instant February;

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 11th day of this instant February;

Ordered, That the Report be received upon Monday next.

The Order of the day being read, for the Ways and Means Committee of 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.
The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Public Works Loans Bill;
 Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time upon Monday next.

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.

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

The Committee was accordingly nominated of Mr. Ammon, Major Astor, Mr. Walter Baker, Mr. Bennett, Captain Bourne, Mr. Brocklebank, Mr. Charlton, Brigadier-General Charteris, Captain Craig, Sir Henry Croft, Mr. Dalton, Captain Goodenough, Colonel Sir Frederick Hall, Mr. Hannah, Colonel Henderson, Captain Leeder, Mr. Mackinder, Sir John Marriot, Major Owen, Mr. Penny, Sir Philip Pilditch, Mr. Potter, Mr. Ranalden, Major Sir Archibald Sinclair, Colonel Vaughan-Morgan, Mr. Thomas Williams, Sir Frederic Wise, and Colonel Woodcock.

Ordered, 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.

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.

Ordered, That the Committee do report any evidence taken by the Committee or by any of the Sub-Committees to the House.—(Colonel Gibb.)

The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Leasehold Enfranchisement Bill;
 Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time upon Friday the 26th day of this instant February.

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

Sir Philip Cunliffe-Lister presented, by His Majesty's Command,—Copy of Report of the Food Council on Short Weight and Measure in the sale of foodstuffs.
 Ordered, That the said Paper do lie upon the Table.

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Public Works Loans Bill.

Estimates.

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

Ordered, That Seven be the quorum of the Committee.

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.

Ordered, That the Committee do report any evidence taken by the Committee or by any of the Sub-Committees to the House.—(Colonel Gibb.)

The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Leasehold Enfranchisement Bill;
 Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time upon Friday the 26th day of this instant February.

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

Sir Philip Cunliffe-Lister presented, by His Majesty's Command,—Copy of Report of the Food Council on Short Weight and Measure in the sale of foodstuffs.
 Ordered, That the said Paper do lie upon the Table.

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Fri. 19th February 1926.

The House met at Eleven of the clock.

Prayers.

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

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

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

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

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

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

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

The Order of the day being read, for the Leasehold Enfranchise­
ment Bill;

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

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Mr. M'Neill presented, pursuant to the Resolution of the House of the 4th day of March 1879,—Copy of Treasury Minute, dated 17th February 1926, under Section 4 of the Appropriation Act, 1924, authorising the temporary application of Surpluses on certain Air Votes for the year 1924–25, to meet Excesses on other Votes for the same year.

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

The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Criminal Justice (Increase of Penalties) Bill;

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

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

Tellers for the Yeas, Mr. Greaves-Lord; Mr. Howie:

Tellers for the Noses, Sir Robert Hamilton; Mr. Harvey:

So it was resolved in the Affirmative.
The Bill was accordingly read a second time, and committed to a Standing Committee.

The Allotments (Scotland) 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 Criminal Justice (Increase of Penalties) Bill;

And a Motion being made, and the Question being proposed, That the Bill be now read a second time;—Then the House adjourned.

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

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

Whereupon Mr. Speaker adjourned the House without Question put, pursuant to Standing Order No. 3, it being then one minute after Four of the clock, till Monday next.

Mr. M'Neill presented, by His Majesty's Civil Services Command,—Revised Estimate of the further sum required in the year ending 31st March 1926 for the Board of Control, England.

Estimate of a further sum required to be Civil Services voted for the Civil Services for the year ending 31st March 1926.

No. 21.

Mr. M'Neill also presented, pursuant to the Public Resolution of the House of the 4th day of March 1879,—Copy of Treasury Minute, dated March 1925, under Section 4 of the Appropriation Act, 1925, authorising the temporary application of Surpluses on certain Air Votes for the year 1924–25 to meet Excesses on other Votes for the same year.

Mr. M'Neill also presented, pursuant to the directions of several Acts of Parliament,—Accounts of the National Health Insurance Funds (English, Welsh, and Scottish), established pursuant to the National Insurance Act, No. 23, 1911, showing the Receipts and Payments during the year 1924, with the Report of the Comptroller and Auditor-General thereon.

Abstract Accounts showing the issues made Consolidated from the Consolidated Fund of the United Fund, Kingdom in the financial year ended 31st March 1925 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.

[No. 15.]

Monday, 22nd February 1926.

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 Bristol Corporation Bill;

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

The Order of the day being read, for the London, Midland, and Scottish Railway Bill;

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

The Order of the day being read, for the Medway Conservancy Bill;

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

The Order of the day being read, for the Port of London Bill;

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time upon Friday next.
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22nd February.

Annual Account of the High Court of Justice (Northern Ireland), Probate Division, for the year 1926-27.

Ordered, That the said Estimates be referred to the Committee of Supply, and be printed; that the said Papers do lie upon the Table, and that the Papers relative to Public Accounts (Air Votes, 1924–25), National Health Insurance Fund Accounts, and Consolidated Fund, be printed.

Mr. Bridgeman presented, by His Majesty's Command,—Estimate for the Navy for the year 1926–27.

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.

The Lord Advocate presented, pursuant to the directions of an Act of Parliament,—Copy of Amending General Orders, dated 19th February 1926, for the regulation of Proceedings under and in pursuance of Section 15 of the Private Legislation Procedure (Scotland) Act, 1899.

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

Mr. Lansbury, supported by Mr. Snell, Mr. Thurtle, Mr. Dennis, Dr. Salter, Captain Wedgwood Benn, Mr. Straus, and Mr. Wallhead, presented a Bill to amend the Blasphemy Laws: 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 Government Business be exempted, at this day's Sitting, from the provisions of the Standing Order (Sittings of the House)—(The Prime Minister): The House divided.

The Yeas to the Right;

The Noes to the Left;

Tellers for the [Colonel Gibbs, Yeas], [Sir Henry Bannister] 232.

Tellers for the [Mr. Thomas Kennedy, Noes], [Mr. Charles Edwards] 92.

So it was resolved in the Affirmative.

Mr. Chancellor of the Exchequer, by His Majesty’s Command, acquainted the House that His Majesty, having been informed of the subject-matter of the Motion relating to Unemployment Insurance (Northern Ireland Agreement) [Money], proposed to be moved, under Standing Order No. 71a, in Committee of the whole House, recommends it to the consideration of the House.

Then the House, pursuant to Standing Order No. 71a, resolved itself into Committee.

(In the Committee)

Motion made, and Question proposed, That it is expedient to confirm an agreement dated the tenth day of February, nineteen hundred and twenty-six, and made between the Treasury and the Ministry of Finance for Northern Ireland, with a view to assimilating the burdens on the Exchequer of the United Kingdom and Northern Ireland with respect to unemployment insurance, and to authorise the payment out of the Consolidated Fund of any sums certified by the Joint Exchequer Board to be payable under the said agreement from the Exchequer of the United Kingdom.—(Mr. Chancellor of the Exchequer.)

Amendment proposed, in l. 1, after the word "That," to insert the words "subject to certain modifications, including provision for the repayment of any sums paid."—(Mr. Snowden.)

Question put, That those words be there inserted.

The Committee divided.

Tellers for the [Mr. Thomas Henderson, Yeas], [Mr. Warne : 116.]

Tellers for the [Mr. Frederick Thomson, Noes], [Captain Viscount Curzon : 221.]

Another Amendment proposed, in l. 8, at the end, to add the words, "such agreement being limited in its operation to the thirty-first day of March, nineteen hundred and twenty-seven."—(Mr. Albert Alexander.)

Question put, That those words be there added.

The Committee divided.

Tellers for the [Mr. Parkinson, Yeas], [Mr. Warne : 114.]

Tellers for the [Major Hennessy, Noes], [Mr. Frederick Thomson : 233.]

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.

Lord Eustace Percy, by His Majesty's Command, acquainted the House that His Majesty, having been informed of the subject-matter of the Motion relating to Trade Facilities [Money] proposed to be moved, under Standing Order No. 71a, in Committee of the whole House, recommends it to the consideration of the House.

Then the House, pursuant to Standing Order No. 71a, resolved itself into Committee.
The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the London Power Company 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. Attlee.)

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. Hammon", Yes, Mr. Crofton; 119.

Tellers for the "Mr. Attlee", Noes, Sir George Hume: 137.

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 it is expedient,—

(a) to amend the Trade Facilities Acts, 1921 to 1925,—

(i) by increasing from seventy million pounds to seventy-five million pounds the limit on the aggregate capital amount of the loans in respect of which guarantees under those Acts may be given; and

(ii) by extending by one year the period within which such guarantees may be given;

(b) to amend the Overseas Trade Acts, 1920 to 1924, by extending to the eighth day of September, nineteen hundred and twenty-nine, the period within which new guarantees under those Acts may be given, and by extending to the eighth day of September, nineteen hundred and thirty-three, the period during which guarantees under those Acts may remain in force.—(Mr. M'Neill)—Debate arising;

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

The Committee divided.

Tellers for the "Captain Margesson", Yes, Captain Margesson: 160.

Tellers for the "Mr. Charles Edwards", Noes, Mr. Hayes: 58.

Question put accordingly.

The Committee divided.

Tellers for the "Captain Margesson", Yes, Captain Bowyer: 157.

Tellers for the "Mr. Parkinson", Noes, Mr. Barnes: 55.

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.

And a Motion being made, and the Question put, That the words "upon this day six months" be added at the end of the Question;

The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Public Works Loans London Bill;

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

The Order of the day being read, for the Imperial War Graves Endowment Fund Bill;

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

Captain Hacking reported from the Committee Supply of the 9th day of this instant February, several Resolutions; which were read as follow:

Civil Services and Revenue Departments Supplementary Estimate, 1925-26.

Class I.

1. That a Supplementary sum not exceeding £7,500 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 1926 for Expenditure in respect of Diplomatic and Consular Buildings.

2. That a Supplementary sum not exceeding £66,500 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 1926 for Expenditure in respect of Customs and Excise, Inland Revenue, Post Office and Telegraph Buildings in Great Britain, and certain Post Offices Abroad.

The First 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 proceeded to a Division.

Major Cope and Captain Bowyer were appointed Tellers for the Ayes, but there being no Member willing to be nominated as Tellers for the Noes, Mr. Speaker declared that the Ayes had it.

Then the Second Resolution, being read a second time, was agreed to.
The Lord Advocate reported from the Committee of Supply of the 10th day of this instant February, several Resolutions; which were read, as follow:

Class I.
1. That a Supplementary sum not exceeding £12,000 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 1926 for Employment Exchange and Insurance Buildings, Great Britain (including Ministries of Labour and Health).

2. That a Supplementary sum not exceeding £158,345 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 1926 for sundry Public Buildings in Great Britain, not provided for on other Votes, including Historic Buildings, Ancient Monuments, and Brompton Cemetery.

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

The Order of the day being read, for receiving the Report from the Committee of Supply of the 15th day of this instant February; Ordered, That the Report be received this day.

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

The Order of the day being read, for receiving the Report from the Committee of Supply of the 11th day of this instant February; Ordered, That the Report be received this day.

The Order of the day being read, for the Committee of Supply; Resolved, That this House will, this day, resolve itself into the said Committee.

The Order of the day being read, for the Committee of Ways and Means; Resolved, That this House will, this day, resolve itself into the said Committee.

The Order of the day being read, for the Committee of the Midwives and Maternity Homes Bill; Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time upon Monday next.

The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Local Authorities (Municipal Banks) Enabling Bill; Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time upon Monday next.

VoL 181.
Mr. Speaker laid upon the Table,—Report from the Examiners of Petitions for Private Bills, That in respect of the Bills comprised in the List reported by the Chairman of Ways and Means as intended to originate in the House of Lords, they have certified that the Standing Orders have not been complied with in the following case, viz. —

Kidderminster and Stourport Tramways (Lords).

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. —

Kidderminster and Stourport Tramways (Lords).

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

[Private Bill]

Mr. Speaker laid upon the Table,—Report from 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. —

Rhymney Valley Water Bill.

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

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time on Friday next.

[Private Bill]

Earl Winterton presented, pursuant to the directions of an Act of Parliament,—Copy of Amendment of the Devolution Rules made by the Governor-General of India in Council with the sanction of the Secretary of State in Council under Section 48a, read with Section 129a, of the Government of India Act.

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

Colonel Ashley presented, pursuant to the directions of an Act of Parliament,—Copy of Provisional Rules, dated 9th February 1926, made by the Electricity Commissioners under Section 34 of the Electricity (Supply) Act, 1919, with respect to applications by statutory gas companies for Special Orders under the Statutory Gas Companies (Electricity Supply Powers) Act, 1925, and entitled the Electricity Commissioners (Statutory Gas Companies Capital Powers) Rules, 1926.

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 part of the Rural District of the Isle of Wight, and for other purposes.

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

Mr. William Graham reported from the Committee of Public Accounts; 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.

Mr. William Nicholson reported from the Select Committee of Selection; That they had added the following Member to the Chairmen's Panel:

—Mr. Ellis Davies.

Ordered, That the Report do lie upon the Table.

Mr. William Nicholson reported from the Select Committee of Selection; That they had added [Private Legislation Procedure Act, 1899:—Mr. MacKenzie Livingstone.] the following Member to the Parliamentary Procedure (Scotland) Act, 1919:—Mr. MacKenzie Livingstone.

Ordered, That the Report do lie upon the Table.

Mr. William Nicholson reported from the Select Committee of Selection; That they had agreed to the following Resolution, which they had directed him to report to the House —

That after a Bill has been under consideration in Standing Committee, no application for changes in the composition of that Committee in respect of that Bill shall be entertained by the Committee of Selection.

Ordered, That the Report do lie upon the Table.

Arthur Lewis Shepherd, Esquire, Member for the Borough of Darlington, was sworn.

A Motion was made, and the Question being put, That the Proceedings on Government Business be exempted, at this day's Sitting, from the provisions of the Standing Order (Sittings of the House)—(The Prime Minister): The House divided.

Mr. Speaker put the Question; The Yeas to the Right; The Noes to the Left.

Tellers for the [Colonel Gibbs, Sir Harry Barnston]: 261.

Tellers for the [Mr. Parkinson, Mr. Charles Edwards]: 134.

So it was resolved in the Affirmative.

A Motion was made, and the Question being put, That the proceedings on Government Business be exempted, at this day's Sitting, from the provisions of the Standing Order (Sittings of the House)—(Sir Henry Steers): The House divided.

Mr. Speaker put the Question; The Yeas to the Right; The Noes to the Left.

Tellers for the [Sir Henry Steers, Sir Gerald Hobler]: 195.

Tellers for the [Mr. Herbert Williams, Colonel Ordie]: 144.

So it was resolved in the Affirmative.
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Ordered, That Sir Henry Sloane, Sir John Simon, Mr. Buxton, Sir Martin Conway, Lord Henry Cavendish-Bentinck, Sir Evelyn Cecil, Dr. Shiel, Sir Gerald Hocker, and Lieutenant-Commander Kenworthy do prepare and bring in the Bill.

Sir Henry Sloane accordingly presented a Bill to prohibit the export from the United Kingdom of certain works of art and ancient or historic buildings and monuments: and the same was read the first time, and ordered to be read a second time upon Friday the 5th day of March next; and to be printed.

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

(In the Committee.)

Civil Services and Revenue Departments Supplementary Estimate, 1925-26.

Class VII.

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 1926 for the Salaries and Expenses of the Ministry of Health, including Grants and other Expenses in connection with Housing, Grants to Local Authorities, &c., in connection with Public Health and Unemployment Services, sundry Grants in respect of Benefits and Expenses of Administration under the National Health Insurance Act, 1924, certain Expenses under the Widows', Orphans' and Old Age Contributory Pensions Act, 1925, certain Grants in Aid, and certain Special Services:

Whereupon Motion made, and Question proposed, That a sum not exceeding £5 be granted for the said Service—(Mr. Arthur Greenwood)—Debate arising:

Sir Kingsley Wood rose in his place and claimed to move, That the Question be now put. Question put, That the Question be now put. The Committee divided.

Tellers for the "Yeas"—(Mr. Frederick Thomson) 267.
Tellers for the "Nay"—(Mr. Hayes) 127.

Question put accordingly. That a sum not exceeding £5 be granted for the said Service. The Committee divided.

Tellers for the "Yeas"—(Mr. Parkinson) 127.
Tellers for the "Nay"—(Mr. Harry Barnaton) 271.

Original Question put, and agreed to.

Class III.

2. Motion made, and Question proposed, That a Supplementary sum not exceeding £182,775 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 1926 for the Salaries of the Commissioner and the Receiver for the Metropolitan Police District, Bonus to Metropolitan Police, and the Administration of Police Magistrates, the Contribution towards the Expenses of the Metropolitan Police, the Salaries and Expenses of the Inspector of Constabulary, and other Grants in respect of Police Expenditure, including Places of Detention, and a Grant in Aid of the Police Federation:

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 put forthwith, That a Select Committee be appointed to inquire into the general administration and practice of the Ministry of Pensions, with special reference to the questions of final and erroneous awards, parents', dependant's, and widows' pensions, the regulations governing the appointment and powers of area war pensions committees, advisory councils, regional officers, and special grants committees, the seven years' limit for claims in respect of pensions for death or disability due to war service, and the advisability of appointing an independent court of medical appeal for the hearing of appeals against decisions of the entitlement and assessment appeals tribunals—(Mr. Walsh):

An Amendment was proposed to be made to the Question, in l. 1, by leaving out from the word "That" to the end of the Question, and adding the words "having regard to the prolonged consideration of all aspects of pensions administration in connection with the great war which has been given by select and other committees of inquiry and by this House itself, it would, in the opinion of this House, be undesirable that the settled fundamental principles of war pensions administration embodied in Royal Warrant and statute, which have been maintained by successive Parliaments and Governments in recent years, should be reopened and be again made the subject of formal inquiry by a Select Committee of this House"—(Colonel Asheton Powell),—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. Walsh rose in his place and claimed to move, That the Question be now put; but Mr. Speaker withheld his assent, as he thought the House was willing to come to a decision without that Motion—Then the House resumed the Debate.

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

Mr. Walsh rose in his place and claimed to move, That the Question be now put; but Mr. Speaker withheld his assent, as he thought the House was willing to come to a decision without that Motion—Then the House resumed the Debate.

And the Question being put; The House divided.

The Yeas to the Right;

The Noes to the Left.

Tellers for the "Yeas"—(Mr. Charles Edwards) 151.
Tellers for the "Nay"—(Sir Harry Barnaton) 206.

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, the Debate stood adjourned.
Postponed Proceeding resumed.

Question again proposed, That a Supplementary sum not exceeding £182,775 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 1926 for the Salaries of the Commissioner and Assistant Commissioners of the Metropolitan Police, and of the Receiver for the Metropolitan Police District, 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.

Question put, and agreed to.

Class I.

3. £10, Supplementary, for Expenditure in respect of Housing Schemes under the Management of the Office of Works.

Resolutions to be reported.

Class IV.

Motion made, and Question proposed, That a Supplementary sum not exceeding £190,000 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 1926 for the Salaries and Expenses of the Board of Education, and of the various Establishments connected therewith, including sundry Grants in Aid:

Whereupon Motion made, and Question, That the Chairman do report Progress; and ask leave to sit again—(Colonel Gibbs)—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 to-morrow.

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

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

Colonel Sir John Gilmore reported from the Committee on Unemployment Insurance and Northern Ireland Agreement [Money], a Resolution; which was read, as followeth:

That it is expedient to confirm an agreement dated the tenth day of February, nineteen hundred and twenty-six, and made between the Treasury and the Ministry of Finance for Northern Ireland, with a view to assimilating the burdens on the Exchequers of the United Kingdom and Northern Ireland with respect to unemployment insurance: And the same was read the first time, and ordered to be read a second time to-morrow; and to be printed.

Mr. Arthur Michael Samuel reported from the Committee on Trade Facilities [Money], a Resolution; which was read, as followeth:

That it is expedient,—

(a) to amend the Trade Facilities Acts, 1921 to 1925,—

(i) by increasing from seventy million pounds to seventy-five million pounds the limit on the aggregate capital amount of the loans in respect of which guarantees under those Acts may be given; and

(ii) by extending by one year the period within which such guarantees may be given;

(b) to extend the Overseas Trade Acts, 1920 to 1924, by extending to the eighth day of September, nineteen hundred and thirty-three, the period during which guarantees under those Acts may be given, and by extending to the eighth day of September, nineteen hundred and thirty-three, the period during which guarantees 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 Mr. Chancellor of the Exchequer, Sir Philip Culliford-Lister, Mr. McNell, and Mr. Arthur Michael Samuel do prepare and bring it in.

Mr. Arthur Michael Samuel accordingly presented a Bill to amend the Trade Facilities Acts, 1921 to 1925, by increasing the maximum limit of the loans in respect of which guarantees may be given under those Acts and by extending the period within which such guarantees may be given and remain in force under the Overseas Trade Acts, 1920 to 1924: 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 Supply the Report from the Committee of Supply of the 15th day of this instant February;

Ordered, That the Report be received to-morrow.

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

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

Ordered, That the Report be received to-morrow.

Ways and Means.

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

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

Public Works Loans Bill.

The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Public Works Loans Bill:

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

Imperial War Graves Endowment Fund Bill.

The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Imperial War Graves Endowment Fund Bill.

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

Standing Orders No. 47 (Constitution of Standing Committees) of 7 March 1888, 1 May 1902, 9 April 1906, 16 April 1907 and 19 February 1919, might be read, and the same was read as, followed:

(1) Six Standing Committees shall be appointed for the consideration of Bills or other business referred to a Standing Committee, and the procedure in those Committees shall be the same as a Select Committee, unless the House otherwise order. Standing Committees may sit during the Sitting, and notwithstanding any adjournment of the House. On a Division being called in the House, the Chairman of a Standing Committee shall suspend the proceedings in the Committee for such time as will, in his opinion, enable Members to vote in the Division. Any notice of Amendment to a Bill which has been committed to a Standing Committee shall stand referred to the Standing Committee. The quorum of a Standing Committee shall be twenty. Strangers shall be admitted to the Standing Committee except when the Committee shall order them to withdraw.

(2) One of the Standing Committees shall be appointed for the consideration of all Public Bills relating exclusively to Wales and Monmouthshire, the Committee shall be so constituted as to comprise all Members sitting for Wales and Monmouthshire, and shall consist of not less than forty nor more than sixty Members, to be nominated by the Speaker.

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time after Twelve of the clock on Wednesday morning;

Wednesday, 24th February 1929:

The House was moved, That the Standing Order No. 47 (Constitution of Standing Committees) of 7 March 1888, 1 May 1902, 9 April 1906, 16 April 1907 and 19 February 1919, might be read, and the same was read as, followed:

(3) Subject as aforesaid the Bills committed to a Standing Committee shall be distributed among the Committees by Mr. Speaker:

(4) In all but one of the Standing Committees Government Bills shall have precedence.

(5) Standing Order No. 49 (as to irrelevance and repetition) and Standing Orders Nos. 26 and 27 (as to closure) shall apply to Standing Committees, with the substitution in Standing Order No. 26 of the Chairman of the Committee for the Chairman of Ways and Means, and, in Standing Order No. 27 of 26 for 100 as the number necessary to render the majority effective for the closure, and the Chairman of a Standing Committee shall have the like powers as the Chairman of a Committee of the whole House has under Standing Order No. 23 (as to dilatory Motions), and amended, in 1. 1, by leaving out the word "Six," and inserting the word "Five,"—(The Prime Minister)—instead thereof.

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

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 handed in every case by the prayer of the Petition, provided that on every sheet after the first the prayer may be reproduced in print or by other mechanical process; and that such Committee have power to direct the printing in exence 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.

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

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

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 five minutes after Twelve of the clock on Wednesday morning, till this day.

[No. 17.]

Wednesday, 24th February 1926.

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 Guildford Corporation Bill;

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

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

Ordered, That the Examiners of Petitions for Private Bills do examine the Bank of England (Nationalisation) Bill with respect to compliance with the Standing Orders relative to Private Bills.

Major-General Sir Ernest Moore reported from the Select Committee on Standing Orders several Resolutions; which were read, as follow:

1. That in the case of the Dover Harbour, Petition for Bill, the Standing Orders ought to be dispensed with; that the parties be permitted to proceed with their Bill.

2. That in the case of the Shoreham Harbour, Petition for Bill, the Standing Orders ought to be dispensed with; that the parties be permitted to proceed with their Bill.

3. That in the case of the Metropolitan Railway Bill, Petition for leave to dispense with Standing Order 123 in the case of the Petition of "Norman Hyam Aaron," against the Bill, the Standing Order ought to be dispensed with.

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

Sir Robert Hamilton presented a Bill to Parliament to amend the law as to the keeping open of the poll for two days at a Parliamentary Election for Orkney and Zetland: And the same was read a second time; and ordered to be read a second time upon Monday next; and to be printed.

A Motion was made, and the Question being put, That the Proceedings on Government Business be expedited, at this day's Sitting, from the provisions of the Standing Order; (Sixth of the House)—(The Prime Minister);

The House divided.

The Yeas to the Right;

Tellers for the Yeas, [Colonel Gibbs,]

Tellers for the Noes, [Sir Harry Burnaby: 233.]

Tellers for the Noes, [Mr. Parkinson, 109.]

So it was resolved in the Affirmative.

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

(In the Committee.)

Civil Services and Revenue Departments

Supplementary Estimate, 1925-26.

Class VI.

1. Motion made, and Question proposed, That a Supplementary sum not exceeding £1,492,000 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 1926 for the Salaries and Expenses of the Ministry of Pensions, and for sundry Contributions in respect of the Administration of the Ministry of Pensions Act, 1916, the War Pensions Acts, 1915 to 1921, and sundry Services;—Debate arising;

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

Question put, That the Question be now put.

Tellers for the Yeas, [Mr. Frederick Thorne: 260.]

Tellers for the Noes, [Captain Bouicier: 127.]

Question put accordingly, and agreed to.

Class V.

2. £10, Supplementary, for the Expenses connected with Overseas Settlement, including certain Grants in Aid, and Expenses arising out of the Empire Settlement Act, 1922, and the Free Passage Scheme for Ex-Service Men and Women.

Unclassified Services.

3. £116,729, Supplementary, for Payments in respect of Compensation for Personal Injuries, and for use of, or malicious Damage to, Property, including advances on account of prospective awards of the Compensation...
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The First Resolution, being read a second time, was agreed to.

The Second Resolution being read a second time;

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 Metropolitan Electric Supply Company 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. Attlee.)

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. Dennis Herbert; Sir Joseph Yalden.

Tellers for the Noes, Mr. Attlee; Brigadier-General Clifton Brown.

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.

A Motion was made, and the Question being Unemployed being proposed, That, in the opinion of this House, some steps should be taken by the Government on a large scale towards the further development of Greater Britain in order that new fields of remunerative employment may be opened up and unemployment relieved in Great Britain—(Sir Arthur Shirley Benn)—And a Debate arising thereupon;

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

The Postponed Proceeding on consideration Supply of the Resolution, That a Supplementary sum not exceeding £6,800,000 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 1926 for Stationery, Printing, Paper, Binding, and Printed Books for the Public Service; for the Salaries and Expenses of the Stationery Office; and for sundry Miscellaneous Services, including Reports of Parliamentary Debates, was resumed.

And the Resolution was agreed to.

Then the remaining Resolutions, being read a second time, were agreed to.
Captain Hacking reported from the Committee of Supply of the 23rd day of this instant February, several Resolutions; which were read, as follow:

Civil Services and Revenue Departments
Supplementary Estimate, 1925-26.
Class VII.

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 1926 for the Salaries and Expenses of the Ministry of Health; including Grants and other Expenses in connection with Housing, Grants to Local Authorities, &c., in connection with Public Health and Unemployment Services, sundry Grants in respect of Benefits and Expenses of Administration under the National Health Insurance Act, 1924, certain Expenses under the Widows', Orphans' and Old Age Contributory Pensions Act, 1925, certain Grants in Aid, and certain Special Services.

Class III.

2. That a Supplementary sum not exceeding £182,775 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 1926 for the Salaries of the Commissioner and Assistant Commissioners of the Metropolitan Police, and of the Receiver for the Metropolitan Police District, Bens 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.

3. 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 1926 for Expenditure in respect of Housing Schemes under the Management of the Office of Works.

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

The Order of the day being read, for receiving the Report from the Committee of Supply of the 16th day of this instant February;
 Ordered, That the Report be received to­morrow.

The Order of the day being read, for receiving the Report from the Committee of Supply of the 11th day of this instant February;
 Ordered, That the Report be received to­morrow.

The Order of the day being read, for the Committee of Ways and Means;
 Readed, That this House will, to­morrow, resolve itself into the said Committee.

The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Public Works Loans Bill;

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

The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Imperial War Graves Endowment Fund Bill;
 Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time to­morrow.

The Order of the day being read, for the Unemploy­ment Insurance (Northern Ireland Agreement) Bill;
 Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time to­morrow.

The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Unemployment Insurance (Northern Ireland Agreement) Bill;
 Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time to­morrow.

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

Mr. Guinness presented, pursuant to the Diseases of Animals Acts, a Bill, entitled the Manchester Imported Animals Wharf Order of 1926, and revoking the Manchester Imported Animals Wharf Order of 1925.
 Ordered, That the said Paper do lie upon the Table.

[No. 18.]

Thursday, 25th February 1926.

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 inspired into, which are applicable thereto, have been complied with, viz.:

Teignmouth and Shaldon Bridge Bill.
Metropolitan Railway Bill.

Ordered, That the Bills be committed.

Mr. Guinness presented, pursuant to the Diseases of Animals Acts, a Bill, entitled the Manchester Imported Animals Wharf Order of 1926, and revoking the Manchester Imported Animals Wharf Order of 1925.
 Ordered, That the said Paper do lie upon the Table.

Secretary Sir William Joynson-Hicks presented, by His Majesty's Command,—Copy of Report of the Royal Commission on National Health Insurance.

Secretary Sir William Joynson-Hicks also Shops Act, 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
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Captain Hacking, Mr. Harst, Secretary Sir William Joyney-Hicks, Lieutenant-Commander Kemnersley, Mr. Macquisten, Sir John Murray, Colonel Mason, Mr. Murchison, Mr. Nuttall, Mr. O'Neil, Sir John Simon, Major Oliver Stanley, Mr. Roy Wilson, Mr. Crompton Wood, and Colonel Vaughan-Morgan.

Mr. William Nicholson further reported from Standing Committee A:—That they had added the following Twenty-five Members to Standing Committee A (in respect of the Criminal Justice (Increase of Penalties) Bill)—The Lord Advocate, Captain Avesworth, Mr. Aberly, Mr. Dackey, Mr. Tooke, Sir Henry Cauley, Mr. Dennison, Mr. Hugh Edwards, Lord Erskine, Captain Fairfax, Mr. Greswol-Lord, Mr. Grotrian, Captain Hocking, Mr. Harvey, Mr. Haaske, Mr. Robert Hudson, Mr. William Hunter, Secretary Sir William Joyney-Hicks, Mr. Les, Mr. Mccrimmon, Mr. Oakley, Captain O'Connor, Colonel Perkins, Mr. Ede, and Sir Henry Slezer.

Mr. William Nicholson further reported from Standing Committee B:—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:—Mr. William Adenson, Sir William Alexander, the Duchess of Atholl, Mr. Barclay-Harvey, Mr. Barr, Captain Wedgwood Benn, Sir George Berry, Mr. Boothby, Mr. James Brown, Mr. Buchanan, Sir Samuel Chapman, Brigadier-General Charteris, Commander Cochranne, Sir Geoffrey Collins, Mr. Couper, Mr. Cowan, Sir Henry Craik, Colonel Crawford-Kenneth, the Earl of Dalkeith, Captain Elliot, Commander Fonseca, Sir Patrick Ford, Colonel Sir John Gilmour, Mr. Donnan Graham, Mr. William Graham, Sir Robert Hamilton, Mr. Hardie, Mr. Thomas Henderson, Sir Harry Hope, Sir Robert Horne, Lieutenant-General Sir Algyn Hunter-Weston, Mr. Clark Hutchison, Mr. Robert Hutchinson, Mr. Johnston, Mr. Thomas Kennedy, Mr. Kild, Mr. Kershaw, Major Lindsay, Mr. Livingsitone, Major MacAndrew, Sir Murdoch Macdonald, Mr. Robert MacDonald, Mr. MacIntyre, Mr. Neil Mackuen, Mr. Macpherson, Mr. Macquisten, Mr. MacRobert, Mr. Macton, Mr. Rosslyn Mitchell, Mr. Stephen Mitchell, Colonel Moore, Mr. Muntin, Mr. Rose, Mr. Sargent, Colonel Mcilwain Shaw, Dr. Shields, Major Sir Archibald Sinclair, Mr. Shelton, Mr. Robert Smith, Sir Alexander Sprot, Mr. Stephen, Mr. James Stewart, Captain Streffield, Mr. James Stuart, Mr. Trenchard, Colonel Thom, Mr. Frederick Thomson, Mr. Mcleod Watson, Mr. Weir, Mr. Walsh, Mr. Westwood, Mr. Wheatley, and Mr. Wright.

Mr. William Nicholson further reported from Standing Committee C:—That the following Fifteen Members to the Standing Committee on Scottish Bills (in respect of the Agricultural (Scotland) Bill)—The Lord Advocate, Captain Avesworth, Mr. Craufurd, Major George Davies, Lord Farnesy, Captain D'Arcy Hall, Mr. Hamilton, Colonel James, Mr. March, Mr. Ritson, Mr. Robertson, Major Steel, Mr. Whiteley, and Mr. Charles Williams.

Ordered, That the Reports do lie upon the Table.
Merchandise Marks Acts (1887 to 1911) Amendment Bill. Bill 45.

Business of the House.

A Motion was made, and the Question being put, That the proceedings on Government Business be resumed at this day's sitting from the provisions of the Standing Order (Sittings of the House) — (The Prime Minister); The House divided. The Yeas to the Right; The Noses to the Left.

Tellers for the [Sir Harry Barnston, Yeas: Major Hennessy: 246.]

Tellers for the [Mr. Parkinson, Noes: Mr. Hoare: 106.]

So it was resolved in the Affirmative.

Supply (Air Estimates.)

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

And a Motion being made, and the Question being proposed, That Mr. Speaker do now leave the Chair (for Committee on the Air Estimates) — (Secretary Sir Samuel Hoare);

An Amendment was proposed to be made to the Question, by leaving out from the word 'That' to the end of the Question, and adding the words 'in the opinion of this House, either the effective striking strength of the Air Force should be increased or the ground personnel and Ministry staff should be reduced' — (Mr. George Harvey), — instead thereof.

And the Question being put, That the words proposed to be left out stand part of the Question — it was resolved in the Affirmative.

And the Question being put; That Mr. Speaker do now leave the Chair;

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

Tellers for the [Major Cope, Yeas: 233.]

Tellers for the [Mr. Parkinson, Noes: 98.]

So it was resolved in the Affirmative.

The House accordingly resolved itself into the Committee of Supply.

(In the Committee.)

Air Estimates, 1926-27.

1. That a number of Air Forces not exceeding 35,000, 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 1927.

2. £3,406,000, for Pay, &c., of His Majesty's Air Force at Home and abroad.

3. £2,347,000, for Works, Buildings, Repairs, and Lands of the Air Force, including Civilian Staff and other charges connected therewith.

4. £1,597,000, for Quartering, Stores (except Technical), Supplies, and Transport of the Air Force.

5. £6,091,000, for Technical and Warlike Stores of the Air Force (including Experimental and Research Services).

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 read upon Monday next.

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

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

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

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

The Order of the day being read, for receiving Supply the Report from the Committee of Supply of the 16th day of this instant February; Report.

Ordered, That the Report be read upon Monday next.

The Order of the day being read, for receiving Supply the Report from the Committee of Supply of the 16th day of this instant February; Report.

Ordered, That the Report be read upon Monday next.

The Order of the day being read, for receiving Supply the Report from the Committee of Supply of the 16th day of this instant February; Report.

Ordered, That the Report be read upon Monday next.

The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Public Works Loan Bill; 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 Imperial War Graves Endowment Fund Bill;

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

The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Imperial War Graves Endowment Fund Bill;

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

The Order of the day being read, for the Unemployment Insurance (Northern Ireland Agreement) Bill;

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

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

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time upon Monday next.
The Order of the day being read, for the
Second Reading of the Burgh Registers (Scotland) Bill;
Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time
upon Thursday next.

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

A Motion was made, and the Question being
put, pursuant to the Standing Order, of the day being read, for the
Church of England Assembly (Powers) Act, 1919, this
House do direct, that the Bishopric of Shrewsbury Measure, 1925, be presented
to His Majesty for Royal Assent—(Colonel Windsor-Clive) :—And a Debate arising thereupon;
And the House, having continued to sit till
after Twelve of the clock on Friday morning;
Friday, 26th February 1926:
Colonel Windsor-Clive 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;
The Yeas to the Right;
The Noes to the Left.
Tellers for the Yeas:—
Mr. Lamb: 37.
Mr. Samuel Roberts: 33.
So it was resolved in the Affirmative.
Resolved, That in accordance with the Church of England Assembly (Powers) Act, 1919, this House do direct, that the Bishopric of Shrewsbury Measure, 1925, be presented
to His Majesty for Royal Assent.

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

[No. 19.]
Friday, 26th February 1926.
The House met at Eleven of the clock.

PRAYERS.

The Order of the day being read, for the
Second Reading of the Bristol Corporation Bill;
Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time
upon Friday next.

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Lord Eustace Percy presented, pursuant to the directions of an Act of Parliament, a copy of the Imperial War Graves Act. The Bill was read a second time, and committed to a Standing Committee.

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

The Adoption of Children Bill was, according to Order, read a second time, and committed to a Standing Committee.

Bank of England (Nationalisation) Bill. The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Bank of England (Nationalisation) Bill, Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time upon Tuesday next.

Births and Deaths Registration Bill. The Births and Deaths Registration Bill was, according to Order, read a second time, and committed to a Standing Committee.

Leasehold Enfranchisement Bill. The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Leasehold Enfranchisement Bill, Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time upon Friday next.

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

[No. 20.]

Monday, 1st March 1926.

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, pursuant to the Order of the Director of Convict Prisons for the year ending 30th June 1925.

Imperial War Graves Endowment Fund Bill. Ordered, That the Report be referred to the Select Committee on Standing Orders.

Montrose Bridge Order Confirmation Bill. The House, according to Order, proceeded to take into consideration the Montrose Bridge Order Confirmation Bill.

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

Mr. Neville Chamberlain, supported by Sir Kingsley Wood, presented a Bill to confirm certain Provisional Orders of the Minister of Health relating to Barnsley, Maidstone, Port Talbot, Rochester and Chatham Joint Sewerage District, Wakefield, and West Kent Main Sewerage District: And the same was read the first time.

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

Secretary Sir Austen Chamberlain presented, Treaty Series No. 5, 1926.

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[1926.] 26th February—1st March.


Lord Eustace Percy presented, pursuant to the directions of an Act of Parliament, a copy of the Imperial War Graves Act. The Bill was read a second time, and committed to a Standing Committee.

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

The Adoption of Children Bill was, according to Order, read a second time, and committed to a Standing Committee.

Bank of England (Nationalisation) Bill. The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Bank of England (Nationalisation) Bill, Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time upon Friday next.

Births and Deaths Registration Bill. The Births and Deaths Registration Bill was, according to Order, read a second time, and committed to a Standing Committee.

Leasehold Enfranchisement Bill. The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Leasehold Enfranchisement Bill, Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time upon Friday next.

Whereupon Mr. Speaker adjourned the House without Question put, pursuant to Standing Order No. 2, it being then Four of the clock, till Monday next.
Vinegar Bill.

the House.

Business of

Bill [Lords.]

Diligence

Execution of

Estimates,

Army

Act, 1888.

Supply.

Bill 47.

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Dawson,

presented a Bill to prevent the fraudulent sale of liquids or products made printed.

And the same was ordered to be read a second time to-morrow; and to be printed.

That the said Paper do lie upon the Table.

Mr. Crooke, and Sir Philip Her­bert Williams, Grotrian, present­ed a Bill to prevent the fraudulent sale of liquids or products made printed.

The same was ordered to be read a second time to-morrow; and to be printed.

That the said Paper do lie upon the Table.

That a Supplementary sum not exceeding £9,125 be granted for the said Service—(Mr. Dawsy):—Debate arising;

Colonel Lane-Fox 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

Major Cope,

Capt­ain Margesson :

253.

Tellers for the

Mr. Benj­amin Smith,

Mr. Thomas Hen­derson :

95.

Question put accordingly, That a sum not exceeding £9,125 be granted for the said Service.

The Committee divided.

Tellers for the

Mr. Benj­amin Smith,

Mr. Thomas Hen­derson :

95.

Tellers for the

Major Hen­nassy,

Major Cope :

293.

Mr. M'Neil claimed, That the Original Question be now put.

Original Question put accordingly, and agreed to.

Class IV.

2. £10 for the Salaries and Expenses of the National Library, Scotland.

Class VI.

3. £48,700, Supplementary, for certain Salaries and Expenses of the Imperial War Graves Commission, including Purchase of Land in the United Kingdom, and a Grant in Aid of the Imperial War Graves Commission Fund, formed under Royal Charter, 10th May 1917, and a Contribution towards an Endowment Fund.

Unclassified Services.

4. Motion made, and Question proposed, That a Supplementary sum not exceeding £18,000 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 1926 to provide for guarantees in respect of Exports of Goods wholly or partly produced or manufactured in the United Kingdom:

Whereupon Motion made, and Question put, That a sum not exceeding £17,000 be granted for the said Service.—(Mr. Gillett.)

The Committee divided.

Tellers for the

Mr. Park­inson,

Mr. Bur­nes :

109.

Tellers for the

Mr. Cap­tain Be­eger,

Lord Stan­ley :

197.

Original Question put, and agreed to.

Class IV.

5. £180,000, Supplementary, for the Salaries and Expenses of the Board of Education, and of the various Establishments connected therewith, including sundry Grants in Aid.

6. £2,200, Supplementary, for Public Education in Scotland, and for the Royal Scottish Museum, Edinburgh, including a Grant in Aid.
Class II.

7. £38,380, Supplementary, for the Salaries and Expenses of the Board of Control (Lunacy and Mental Deficiency), England, and Grants in respect of the Maintenance of certain Ex-Service Mental Patients.

Class VII.

8. 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 1926 for the Salaries and Expenses of the Ministry of Labour, including the Contributions to the Unemployment Fund, and Payments to Associations, Local Education Authorities and others for administration under the Unemployment Insurance and Labour Exchanges Acts; Expenditure in connection with the Training of Demobilised Officers, Non-Commissioned Officers and Men, and Nurses; Grants for Resettlement in Civil Life; and the Expenses of the Industrial Court; also Expenses in connection with the International Labour Organisation (League of Nations), including a Grant in Aid.

Tuesday, 2nd March 1926:

Question put, and agreed to.

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 this day.

The Deputy Chairman also acquainted the House, that he was directed to move, That the Report be received this day, ordered.

Ordered, That the Report be received this day.

Ordered, That the Report be received upon the adjourned Debate on the Amendment Authorities (Orkney and Zetland) Bill.

Ordered, That the Debate be further adjourned till Thursday next.

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time on Monday evening, Mr. Deputy Speaker adjourned the House without Question put, pursuant to the Standing Order, it being then twenty-two minutes after Twelve 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.

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[No. 21.]

Tuesday, 2nd March 1926.

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

PRAYERS.

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

Manchester Ship Canal (Superannuation) 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 Petition for additional Provision in the following Bill, originating in the Lords, the Standing Orders have not been complied with, viz.—

London County Council (General Powers) Bill (Lords).

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

The Montrose Bridge 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.

Captain Elliot presented, pursuant to the directions of an Act of Parliament.—Copy of Regulations, dated 22nd December 1925, made under Section 6 of the Registration of Births, Deaths, and Marriages (Scotland) Act, 1925, entitled the Contributory Pensions (Notification of Deaths and Marriages) Regulations (Scotland), 1925.

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

Lord Eustace Percy presented, pursuant to the directions of several Acts of Parliament,—Account of the Income and Expenditure of the Dental Board of the United Kingdom for the year 1925.

Accounts of the Income and Expenditure of Medical Acts, the General Medical Council and of the Branch Councils and apportionments of the amounts payable to the General Council by the Branch Councils for the year 1925.

Copies of Statutes made under the Universities of Oxford and Cambridge Acts by the University of Cambridge Commissioners—

(1) for Corpus Christi College, Cambridge; and

(2) for Queen's College, Cambridge.

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

Mr. William Nicholson reported from the Chairman's Panel; That they had come to the following Resolutions, which they had directed him to report to the House:

(1) That any Member of the Chairman's Panel may, and he is hereby empowered to, ask any other Member of the Chairman's Panel to take his place temporarily in case of necessity.

(2) That, in the absence of the Chairman of the Chairman's Panel, the Panel may be convened at the request of any two Members of the Panel.

(3) That where, on two successive sittings of a Standing Committee called for the consideration of a particular Bill, the Committee has to be adjourned by reason of the absence of a quorum within the first twenty minutes of the time for which the said Committee was summoned, the Chairman do instruct the Clerk to place the particular Bill at the bottom of the list of Bills then waiting consideration of that Committee and that the Committee shall forthwith be convened to consider the other Bill or Bills then waiting.

(4) That it is the undoubted and established right of the Chairman who is appointed to a Standing Committee for the consideration of a particular Bill to name the day and hour on which the consideration of the Bill shall begin.

Mr. William Nicholson further reported from the Chairman's Panel; That they had appointed Mr. Short to act as Chairman of Standing Committee A (in respect of the Re-election of Ministers Bill), Sir Robert Sanders (in respect of the Criminal Justice (Increase of Penalties) Bill), Sir Cyril Croll (in respect of the Adoption of Children Bill), and Mr. Ellis Davies (in respect of the Births and Deaths Registration Bill); and that they had appointed Mr. James Brown to act as Chairman of the Standing Committee on Scottish Bills (in respect of the Allotments (Scotland) Bill).

Ordered, That the Reports do lie upon the Table.

Mr. William Nicholson reported from the Select Committee on Standing Orders; That they had discharged the following Member from Standing Committee A:—Colonel Vivian Henderson; Committee A, and had appointed in substitution:—Major Reginald-Daviest.

Ordered, That the Report do lie upon the Table.
Merchandise Marks (Imported Goods) Bill.

Authorities Business of Provisions.) Bill.

Reflectors on Trade Cycles. BiU.

Mr. Speaker puts Question (pursuant to S.O. 11) And the Motion being opposed, after a brief time to-morrow; and to be printed.

A Motion was made, and the Question being put, That the Proceedings on Government Business be exempted, at this day's sitting, from the provisions of the Standing Order (Sittings of the House)—(The Prime Minister); The House divided; The Yeas to the Right; The Noes to the Left. Tellers for the 'Colonel Gibbs, Yes, Sir Harry Barnston, 256. Tellers for the 'Mr. Parkinson, Noes, Mr. Charles Edwards, 129. So it was resolved in the Affirmative.

A Motion was made, and the Question being proposed, That leave be given to bring in a Bill to require the carrying of rear reflectors on cycles—(Captain Brass); 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.

The House divided; The Yeas to the Right; The Noes to the Left. Tellers for the 'Captain Brass, Yes, Sir Frank Meyer; 263. Tellers for the 'Lieutenant-Commander Kenworthy; Noes, Sir Wilfrid Sugden; 71. So it was resolved in the Affirmative.

Ordered, That the Captain Brass, Sir Frank Meyer, Sir Edward Holf, Miss Wilkinson, Mr. Beckett, Mr. Charlees, Mr. John Hugh Edwards, and Captain Arthur Hope, do prepare and bring in the Bill.

Captain Brass accordingly presented a Bill to require the carrying of rear reflectors on cycles: 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 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:

Mr. M'Neill 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. Frederick Thomson; Yes, 239. Tellers for the 'Mr. Parkinson, Noes, Mr. Warne; 124. 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. (Mr. M'Neill.)

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 to-morrow. (Mr. M'Neill.)

Colonel Sir John Gilmour reported from the Supply Committee of Supply of the 18th day of February last, several Resolutions; which were read, as follow:

Civil Services and Revenue Departments Supplementary Estimates, 1925-26.

Class II.

1. That a Supplementary sum not exceeding £203,000 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 1926 for the Salaries and Expenses of the Ministry of Agriculture and Fisheries, including a Subsidy on Sugar and Molasses manufactured from Beet grown in Great Britain, Expenses under the Agricultural Wages (Regulation) Act, 1924, Loans to Agricultural Cooperatives Societies, Grants for Agricultural Education and Research, Grants for eradication of Tuberculosis in Cattle, Grants for Land Drainage, a Grant in Aid of the Small Holdings Account, and certain other Grants in Aid; and of the Royal Botanic Gardens, Kew.

2. That a Supplementary sum not exceeding £12,700 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 1926 for the Salaries and Expenses of the Office of the Committee of Privy Council for Trade, and Subordinate Departments, including certain Services arising out of the War.

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

Colonel Sir John Gilmour reported from the Supply Committee of Supply of the 1st day of this instant March, several Resolutions; which were read, as follow:

Civil Services and Revenue Departments Supplementary Estimates, 1925-26.

Class VI.

1. That a Supplementary sum not exceeding £10,250 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 1926 for the Salaries and other Expenses...
of Royal Commissions, Committees, and Special Inquiries, &c., including provision for Short-hand, and the Expenses of Surplus Stores, &c., Liquidation.

Class IV.

2. 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 1926 for the Salaries and Expenses of the National Library, Scotland.

Class VI.

3. That a Supplementary sum not exceeding £48,700 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 1926 for certain Salaries and Expenses of the Imperial War Graves Commission, including Purchase of Land in the United Kingdom, and a Grant in Aid of the Imperial War Graves Commission Fund, formed under Royal Charter, 10th May 1917, and a Contribution towards an Endowment Fund.

Class II.

4. That a Supplementary sum not exceeding £180,000 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 1926 to provide for guarantees in respect of Exports of Goods wholly or partly produced or manufactured in the United Kingdom.

Class IV.

5. That a Supplementary sum not exceeding £180,000 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 1926 for the Salaries and Expenses of the Board of Education, and of the various Establishments connected therewith, including sundry Grants in Aid.

Class II.

6. That a Supplementary sum not exceeding £2,200 be granted to His Majesty, to defray the charge which will come in course of payment during the year ending on the 31st day of March 1926 for Public Education in Scotland, and for the Royal Scottish Museum, Edinburgh, including a Grant in Aid.

Class VII.

7. That a Supplementary sum not exceeding £33,860 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 1926 for the Salaries and Expenses of the Board of Control (Lunacy and Mental Deficiency), England, and Grants in respect of the Maintenance of certain Ex-Service Mental Patients.

Class V.

8. 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 1926 for the Salaries and Expenses of the Ministry of Labour and Subordinate Departments, including the Contributions to the Unemployment Fund, and Payments to Associations, Local Education Authorities and others for administration under the Unemployment Insurance and Labour Exchanges Acts; Expenditure in connection with the Training of Demobilised Officers, Non-Commissioned Officers and Men, and Nurses; Grants for Resettlement in Civil Life; and the Expenses of the Industrial Court; also Expenses in connection with the International Labour Organisation (League of Nations), including a Grant in Aid.

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

The Eighth Resolution, being read a second time;

Ordered, That further consideration of the Resolution be now adjourned.—(Colonel Gibbs.)

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

The Order of the day being read, for receiving the Report from the Committee of Supply of the 24th day of February last;

Ordered, That the Report be received to-morrow.

The Order of the day being read, for the Supplementary 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 receiving the Report from the Committee of Supply of the 25th day of February last;

Ordered, That the Report be received to-morrow.

The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Imperial War Graves Endowment Fund 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 Unemployment Insurance (Northern Ireland Agreement) Bill;

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

Colonel Askand-Tregoe, Major Ainsworth, Mr. Public Petitions—(Colonel Gibbs.)

Respectfully, Mr. H. Baring, Mr. Berrisford, Captain Bourne, Sir William Bull, Sir Charles Cogswell, Mr. Clarry, Mr. Cloane, Mr. John Coates, Colonel James, Major Kerby-Street, Mr. Fort Mitchell, Sir Robert Thomas, and Mr. Robert Wilson were nominated Members of the Select Committee on Public Petitions.—(Colonel Gibbs.)

Ordered, That a Select Committee be appointed to consider and inquire into the question of the inspection and supervision of Nursing Homes and to report what legislation, if any, is necessary or desirable for this purpose.

The Committee was nominated of Sir Cyril Cobb, Dr. Vernon Davies, Captain Ernest Evans, Sir Leolin Forestier-Walker, Mr. Hurst, General
Sir Richard Luce, Mrs. Philipson, Major Price, Dr. Suter, Miss Wilkinson, and Mr. Cecil Wilson.

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

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

Ordered, That Major Sir Archibald Sinclair be discharged from the Select Committee on Estimates, and that Mr. Ellis Davies be added to the Committee.—(Colonel Gibbs.)

A Motion was made, and the Question being proposed, That in the opinion of this House, the extra expenditure imposed upon local authorities in Necessitous Areas in consequence of bad trade and unemployment is an intolerable and unjust burden upon the ratepayers in these areas and ought to be made a national charge—(Mr. Hayday)—And a Debate arising thereupon:

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

Question put And the Question being put, That the (pursuant to Question be now put:—It was resolved in the S.O. Closure of Debate.)

Affirmative.

And the Question being accordingly put;

The House divided.

The Yeas to the Right;

The Noes to the Left:

Tellers for the 
Mr. Barnes: 127.

Tellers for the Lord Stanely, 241.

So it passed in the Negative.

The Order of the day being read, for resuming the adjourned Debate on the Question proposed upon the 19th day of February last, That the Town Tenants Bill be now read a second time;

Ordered, That the Debate be further adjourned till Tuesday the 16th day of this instant March.

The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Execution of Diligence (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 Blasphemy Laws (Amendment) Bill;

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time upon Tuesday the 19th day of this instant March.

The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Execution of Diligence (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 Blasphemy Laws (Amendment) Bill;

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time upon Tuesday the 19th day of this instant March.

A Motion was made, and the Question being proposed, That this House do now adjourn—(Colonel Gibbs);

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. 22.]

Wednesday, 3rd March 1936.

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

PRAYERS.

THE Dover Harbour Bill was read a second Dover Harbour Bill.

time, and committed.

The Lord Advocate presented, pursuant to University the directions of an Act of Parliament,—Copy of University Court Ordinance No. 146 (St. Andrews, No. 28) (Admission of Professors, Readers, or Lecturers to Degrees) under the Universities (Scotland) Act, 1889.

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

Secretary Sir Samuel Hoare presented, pursuant to the directions of an Act of Parliament,—Copy of Order under the Air Force (Constitution) Act, 1917, further amending in certain respects the Regulations appended to His Majesty's Order of 25th July 1924, as amended by subsequent Orders, and included in a volume entitled the King's Regulations and Air Council Instructions for the Royal Air Force.

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

Mr. Neville Chamberlain presented, pursuant Local to the directions of an Act of Parliament,—Government of the Kent (Swanscombe Urban District) Confirmation Order, 1926.

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

Sir Arthur Steel-Maitland presented, by His Unemploy-ment, on the Influence of Legislative and Administrati Statutes.

ative Changes on the Official Unemployment Statistics.

Ordered, That the said Paper do lie upon the Table.
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Mr. William Nicholson reported from the Committee of Selection; That they had discharged the following Members from Standing Committee A.—Mr. Crawford; and had appointed in substitution: Captain Garro-Jones.

Mr. William Nicholson further reported from the Committee; That they had discharged the following Members from Standing Committee A (added in respect of the Re-election of Ministers Bill):—Colonel Mason and Mr. Roy Wilson; and had appointed in substitution: Lord Aspley and Major Tusker.

Mr. William Nicholson further reported from the Committee; That they had nominated the following Members to serve on Standing Committee B:—Mr. Albert Alexander, Mr. Cheslie, Brigadier-General Cockbain, Major Coffin, Major Courtenay, Mr. Ernest Craig, Sir Thomas Davies, Mr. Dean, Captain Eden, Mr. Forrest, Colonel Gault, Major Gilps, Mr. Hammersley, Mr. Jenkins, Mr. Jeffreys, Mr. Kelly, Major Keugan-Stacey, Major-General Sir Richard Luce, Sir Frank Meyer, Mr. Oliver, Mr. Riley, Mr. Frank Sander, Mr. Shepherd, Colonel Scott, Sir Wilfred Stopes, Major-General Sir Frederick Sykes, Mr. Trevor Thomas, Mr. Thrupp, Brigadier-General Warner, and Mr. Womersley.

Ordered, That the Reports do lie upon the Table.

A Motion was made, and the Question being put, That the Proceedings on Government Business and on any Private Business set down for consideration at a quarter past eight of the clock this evening, by direction of the Chairman of Ways and Means, be exempted, at this day’s Sitting, from the provisions of the Standing Order (Sittings of the House), and that, notwithstanding anything in Standing Order No. 8, any such Private Business may be taken after half past nine of the clock—

(The Prime Minister);

The House divided.

The Yeas to the Right;

The Noes to the Left.

Tellers for the Yeas, Mr. Frederick Thomson; Mr. Hopes.

So it was resolved in the Affirmative.

Then the Second Resolution, being read a second time, was agreed to.

Mr. McNeil reported from the Committee Supply of the 24th day of February last, (24th several Resolutions; which were read, as follows:

Civil Services and Revenue Departments Supplementary Estimate, 1925-26.

Class VI.

1. That a Supplementary sum not exceeding £1,492,900 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 1926 for the Salaries and Expenses of the Ministry of Pensions (Supplementary.)

2. 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 1926 for the Expenses connected with the Empire Settlement, including certain Grants in Aid, and Expenses arising out of the Empire Settlement Act, 1922, and the Free Passage Scheme for Ex-Service Men and Women.

Unclassified Services.

3. That a Supplementary sum not exceeding £218,726 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 1926 for Grants in respect of Benefits and Expenses of Administration under the National Health Insurance Act, 1924, and certain Grants in Aid.

Class VII.

1. A Supplementary sum not exceeding £2,828 be granted to His Majesty, to defray the charge which will come in course of payment during the year ending on the 1st day of March 1926 for the Expenses of the Scottish Board of Health, including Expenses in connection with the Administration of the Widows', Orphans and Old Age Contributory Pensions Act, 1925, Grants and other Expenses in connection with Housing, Grants to Local Authorities &c., Grants in respect of
March 1926 for Payments in respect of Compensation for Personal Injuries, and for use of, or malicious Damage to, Property, including advances on account of prospective awards of the Compensation (Ireland) Commission, or under the Damage to Property (Compensation) Act of the Irish Free State or on the security of stock issued under that Act; ex-gratia Grants; Grants to Refugees for the Relief of Distress; and advances in respect of Rent and other sums payable under the Land Act, 1923, of the Irish Free State.

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

The Order of the day being read, for taking into further consideration the Eighth of the Resolutions which, upon the 2nd day of this instant March, were reported from the Committee of Supply of the 1st day of this instant March;

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

The Order of the day being read, for the Committee on the Trade Facilities Bill;

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

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

(In the Committee.)

Clauses No. 1 and No. 2 agreed to.

Bill to be reported.

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

Ordered, That the Bill be now read the third time:—The Bill was accordingly read the third time and passed.

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

Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair; and the Committee of Ways and Means reported, That the Bill be read a second time:—The said Motion was, with leave to move, seconded.

And a Motion being made, and the Question thereupon;—(Mr. George Hirst)

—And a Debate arising thereon;—And a Debate arising thereon;

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

A Motion was made, and the Question being put;

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

And the Question being put, That the words "upon this day six months" be added at the end of the Question:—It was resolved in the Affirmative.

Then the Main Question, so amended, being put;

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

The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Southern Railway (Superannuation Fund) Bill;

And a Motion being made, and the Question being proposed, That the Bill be now read a second time:—The said Motion was, with leave of the House, withdrawn.

Ordered, That the Bill be withdrawn.

A Motion was made, and the Question being propounded, That in view of the evidence submitted to the Royal Commission and the experiences of the Food Council, together with recent revelations respecting short weight and short measure in the sale of food, legislation to protect the consumer is urgent and necessary:—(Mr. George Hirst):—And a Debate arising thereupon;

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

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

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

The Order of the day being read, for receiving the Report from the Committee of Supply of the 25th day of February last;

Ordered, That the Report be received to-morrow.

The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Imperial War Graves Endowment Fund 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 Unemployment Insurance (Northern Ireland Agreement) Bill;

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

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

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

[No. 23.]

Thursday, 4th March 1926.

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, pursuant to the Order of the House of the 24th day of February, That in the case of the following Bill, the Standing Orders, which are applicable thereto, have not been complied with, viz.:

Bank of England (Nationalisation) Bill.

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

Mr. M'Neill presented, by His Majesty's Command,—Copy of Statement of the sums required to be voted in order to make good Excesses on certain Grants for Civil Services for the year ended 21st March 1925.

Mr. M'Neill also presented, pursuant to the directions of an Act of Parliament,,—(1) Account of gross receipts and payments 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 6th August 1817 to 20th November 1925, &c.;

(2) Account of the investment of moneys for Savings Banks and Friendly Societies in the year ended 20th November 1925, &c.; and

(3) Statement of the liabilities of the Government to the Trustees of Savings Banks and Friendly Societies at 20th November 1925, &c.

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

The Lord Advocate presented, by His Majesty's Command,—Copy of Report of the Committee appointed by the Secretary for Scotland on Sexual Offences against Children and Young Persons in Scotland.

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

Secretary Sir William Joynson-Hicks presented, pursuant to the directions of an Act for the Execution of Diligence (Scotland) Bill [Lords].

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

Mr. Bridgeman 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 1925.

Mr. Bridgeman also presented, pursuant to Greenwich, the directions of an Act of Parliament,,—Hospital and Travers' Foundation, for the year ended 31st March 1925, with the Report of the Comptroller and Auditor-General thereon.

Ordered, That the Statement of Navy Excesses be referred to the Committee of Supply, and be printed; and that the said Accounts 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:

Copy of the Brislington Parishes (Transfer) Measure, 1926, passed by the National Assembly of the Church of England.


Copy of the Rural Deaneries of Pontefract and Hemsworth (Transfer) Measure, 1926, passed by the National Assembly of the Church of England.

Copy of the Nineteenth Report of the Ecclesiastical Committee, being a Report on the Rural Deaneries of Pontefract and Hemsworth (Transfer) Measure, 1926.

Copy of the Twentieth Report of the Ecclesiastical Committee, being a Report on the Parish of Manchester Division Act, 1899 (Amendment) Measure, 1926, passed by the National Assembly of the Church of England.

Copy of the Parish of Manchester Division Act, 1899 (Amendment) Measure, 1926, passed by the National Assembly of the Church of England.

Ordered, That the said Papers be printed.

The Chairman of Ways and Means reported, That after conferring with the Chairman of Committees of the House of Lords, for the purpose of determining in which House of Parliament the following Bill introduced pursuant to the provisions of the Private Legislation Procedure (Scotland) Act, 1899, should be first considered, they had determined that...
the said Bill should originate in the House of Lords, viz. —:
Scottish Widows' Fund and Life Assurance Society (Substituted Bill).

Ordered, That the Report do lie upon the Table.

Major-General Sir Newton Moore reported from the Select Committee on Standing Orders, a Resolution, which was read, as follows:—
That in the case of the Rhymney Valley Water 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.

Mr. William Nicholson reported from the Standing Committee of Selection; That they had discharged the following Member from Standing Committee B: — Mr. Thurtle; and had appointed in substitution: Mr. Tinker.

Ordered, That the Report do lie upon the Table.

Mr. Speaker called the attention of the House to the persistent disregard of the authority of the Chair on the part of Mr. Neil Maclean, Member for the Govan Division, and, pursuant to Standing Order No. 9, ordered him to withdraw immediately from the House during the remainder of this day's sitting, but Mr. Neil Maclean refused to withdraw:

Whereupon Mr. Speaker named him for disregarding the authority of the Chair.

And a Motion being made, and the Question being put, That Mr. Neil Maclean be suspended from the service of the House—(Secretary Sir William Joynson-Hicks);

The House divided.

Tellers for the Yeas, 
Mr. Warne;
Mr. Hennessey.
Tellers for the Noes, 
Mr. Buchanan;
Mr. Tinker.

Mr. Speaker then directed Mr. Neil Maclean to withdraw, and he withdrew accordingly.

A Motion was made, and the Question being put, That the Proceedings on any Private Business set down for consideration at a quarter past Eight of the clock this evening, by direction of the Chairman of Ways and Means, be exempted from the provisions of the Standing Order (Sittings of the House), and, notwithstanding anything in Standing Order No. 8, further Proceedings be postponed without Question put.

The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the London, Midland, and Scottish Railway 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 thereto by leaving out "£10," and inserting "£5"—(Mr. Lansbury), instead thereof.

And the Question being proposed, That "£10" stand part of the Resolution;

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.

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

The House divided.

The Yeas to the Right;

The Noes to the Left.

Tellers for the Yeas, 
Mr. Warne;
Mr. Hennessey.
Tellers for the Noes, 
Mr. Buchanan;
Mr. Tinker.

So it was resolved in the Affirmative.

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A Motion was made, and the Question being proposed, That this House does resolve in the Affirmative:

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 1926 for the Salaries and Expenses of the Ministry of Labour and Subordinate Departments, including the Contributions to the Unemployment Fund, and Payments to Associations, Local Education Authorities and others for administration under the Unemployment Insurance and Labour Exchanges Acts; Expenditure in connection with the Training of Demobilised Officers, Non-Commissioned Officers and Men, and Nurses; Grants for Resettlement in Civil Life; and the Expenses in connection with the International Labour Organisation (League of Nations), including a Grant in Aid.

An Amendment was proposed to be made thereto by leaving out "£10," and inserting "£5"—(Mr. Lansbury), instead thereof.

And the Question being proposed, That "£10" stand part of the Resolution;

And it being a quarter of an hour after Eight of the clock, and there being Private Business set down by direction of the Chairman of Ways and Means under Standing Order No. 8, further Proceeding was postponed without Question put.

The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the London, Midland, and Scottish Railway 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 thereto by leaving out the word "now," and, at the end of the Question, adding the words "upon this day six months"—(Mr. Barnes).

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

The Order of the day being read, for the Unemployment Insurance (Northern Ireland Agreement) Bill; Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time upon Monday next.

The Order of the day being read, for the Execution of the Execution of (Scotland) 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 Burgh Registers (Scotland) Bill:

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

The Order of the day being read, for the Local Authorities (Payment of Expenses) Bill to be now read a second time; Ordered, That the Debate be further adjourned till Wednesday next.

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

[No. 24.]

Friday, 5th March 1926.

The House met at Eleven of the clock.

PRAYERS.

ORDERED, That the Shoreham Harbour Bill be read a second time upon Monday next.

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

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

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

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

The Order of the day being read, for the Medway Second Reading of the Medway Conservancy 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 Pontefract Corporation Bill;
Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time upon Friday next.

The Port of London Bill was, according to Order, read a second time, and committed.

A Petition of the Mynyddislwyn Urban District Council under their Common Seal, praying, That provision may be made in the Mynyddislwyn Urban District Council Bill (1) for the constitution of a Joint Board representative of the Petitioners and the Beddweity Urban District Council for the provision of certain omnibus services; (2) that the Abercarn Urban District Council may become a constituent authority of the said Board, and (3) that the said Board shall have the same powers of running omnibuses as are proposed in Part III. of the Bill with the further power of running to the village of Aberystwyg in the Urban District of Rhymney, was presented, and read; and referred to the Examiners of Petitions for Private Bills.

Sir William Mitchell-Thomson presented, by His Majesty's Command,—Copy of Report
of the Broadcasting Committee, 1925.

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

Lord Eustace Percy presented, pursuant to the directions of several Acts of Parliament,—Copies of Statutes made under the Universities of Oxford and Cambridge Acts by the University of Oxford Commissioners for—
(1) Magdalen College;
(2) Pembroke College;
(3) St. John's College;
(4) Trinity College;
(5) University College; and
(6) Worcester College.

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:

Lunacy,
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 1925.

Copy of Scheme under the Union of Benefices Acts for effecting an union of the benefices of St. Leonard, Shoreditch, and Holy Trinity, Shoreditch, in the Diocese of London.

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

The Lords have passed a Bill, intituled An Act to amend the Law with respect to measuring instruments, and with respect to the power to charge fees in connection with the testing of weighing and measuring apparatus, to which the Lords desire the concurrence of this House.

The Lords have passed a Bill, intituled An Act to amend the Bankruptcy Act, 1914; to which the Lords desire the concurrence of this House.

The Lords have passed a Bill, intituled An Act to amend the Protection of Animals Bill;
Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time upon Monday next.

The Lords have passed a Bill, intituled An Act to amend the Prevention of Unemployment Bill;
Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time upon Tuesday next.

The Lords have passed a Bill, intituled An Act to amend the Bankruptcy Act, 1914; to which the Lords desire the concurrence of this House.

The Lords have passed a Bill, intituled An Act to amend the Protection of Animals Bill;
Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time upon Thursday next.

The Lords have passed a Bill, intituled An Act to amend the Prevention of Unemployment Bill;
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 4th day of this instant March, was proposed to be made on further consideration of the Eighth of the Resolutions which, upon the 2nd day of this instant March, were reported from the Committee of Supply of the 1st day of this instant March;

Ordered, That the Debate be further adjourned till Tuesday next.

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

[No. 25.]

Monday, 8th March 1926.

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 Bethlem Hospital Bill [Lords];

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time upon Monday the 29th day of this instant March.

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

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

A Petition of the Mayor, Aldermen, and Burgesses of the Borough of Swindon under Bill; praying that provision may be made in the Swindon Corporation Bill to enable the Petitioners to stop up a footpath crossing lands proposed to be acquired by them for the purposes of their Electricity Undertaking, was presented and read, and referred to the Examiners of Petitions for Private Bills.

Lord Eustace Percy presented, pursuant to the directions of an Act of Parliament,—Copies of Statutes made under the Universities of Oxford and Cambridge Acts by the University of Cambridge Commissioners for:—

(1) Christ's College;
(2) Clare College;
(3) Downing College;
(4) Emmanuel College;
(5) Gonville and Caius College;
(6) Jesus College;
(7) King's College;
(8) Magdalene College;
(9) Pembroke College;
(10) Peterhouse;
(11) St. Catharine's College;

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(12) St. John's College;
(13) Sidney Sussex College;
(14) Trinity Hall.

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

Secretary Sir William Jagnom-Hicks presented, by His Majesty's Command,—Copy of Statistics relating to Criminal Proceedings, Police, Coroners, Prisons, and Criminal Lunatics for 1924.

Secretary Sir William Jagnom-Hicks also presented, pursuant to the directions of an Act of Parliament,—Copy of Order made under the Shops Act, 1912, by the Council of the Local Authority, and confirmed by the Secretary of State for the Home Department:—

Urban District of Tredegar.

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

Mr. Guinness presented, pursuant to the directions of an Act of Parliament,—Copy of Acts—Order under the Diseases of Animals Acts, dated 1st March 1926, entitled the Glasgow (Merklands) Imported Animals Wharf Order of 1926, and revoking the Glasgow (Merklands) Imported Animals Wharf Order of 1924.

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

Mr. Neville Chamberlain presented, pursuant to the directions of several Acts of Parliament,—Copy of Order made under the Local Government Act, 1888, entitled the West Riding of Yorkshire (Sowerby and Sowerby Bridge Urban Districts) Confirmation Order, 1926.

Copy of Provisional Regulations, dated 26th February 1926, entitled the Contributory Pensions (Northern Ireland Reciprocal Arrangements) Regulations, 1920.

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

Mr. M'Neill presented, pursuant to the directions of an Act of Parliament,—Copy of Treasury Minute, dated 3rd March 1926, granting a Retired Allowance to Mr. William James Smith, Engineer-in-Chief's Department, Pembroke Dockyard, under Section 2 of the Superannuation Act, 1887.

Ordered, That the said Paper do lie upon the Table.
Ordered, That there be laid before this House, a Copy of Account of the Receipts and Payments of the Accounting Officer of the Vote for the Supreme Court on behalf of the Admiralty Division in Prize for the year ended the 31st day of March 1925, and for the period 4th day of August 1914 to 31st day of March 1925, together with Copy of the Correspondence with the Controller and Auditor General thereon.—(Mr. M'Neil.)

Weights and Measures (Amendment) Bill [Lords] was read the first time, and ordered to be read a second time to-morrow; and to be printed.

Bankruptcy (Amendment) Bill [Lords] Bill 54.

The Bankruptcy (Amendment) Bill [Lords] was read the first time, and ordered to be read a second time to-morrow; and to be printed.

Marriage (Prohibited Degrees of Relationship) Bill.

Bill 52.

Sir Arthur Shirley Benn, supported by Mr. Burt, Commander Ballara, Mr. William Thorne, Mr. Trevelyan Thomson, and Mr. Morris, presented a Bill to amend the Law relating to the marriage of persons with their nephew or niece by marriage: And the same was ordered to be read a second time upon Monday next; and to be printed.

Business of the House.

A Motion was made, and the Question being put, That notwithstanding anything in Standing Order No. 15, the Proceedings on Report of Supply may be taken this day after Eleven of the clock, and that such Proceedings be exempted at this day’s Sitting from the provisions of the Standing Order (Sittings of the House)—(The Prime Minister):

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

Tellers for the [Colonel Gibbs, ]

Yeas, 232.

Tellers for the [Mr. Charles Edwards, ]

Noss, 96.

So it was resolved in the Affirmative.

Business of the House.

A Motion was made, and the Question being put, That on Tuesdays, 16th and 23rd, and on Wednesdays, 17th and 24th March, Government Business do have precedence—(The Prime Minister):

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

Tellers for the [Major Hennessy, ]

Yeas, 229.

Tellers for the [Mr. Charles Edwards, ]

Noss, 97.

So it was resolved in the Affirmative.

Supply (last allotted Day) [25th February] Report.

Major Hennessy reported from the Committee of Supply of the 25th day of February last, several Resolutions; which were read, as follow:

Air Estimates, 1926-27.

1. That a number of Air Forces not exceeding 35,000, 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 1927.

2. That a sum not exceeding £2,400,000 be Pay, &c., granted 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 1927.

3. That a sum not exceeding £3,347,000 be Works, granted to His Majesty, to defray the Expense of Buildings, Works, Buildings, Repairs, and Lands of the Air Force, including Civilian Staff and other charges connected therewith, which will come in course of payment during the year ending on the 31st day of March 1927.

4. That a sum not exceeding £1,507,000 be Quartering granted to His Majesty, to defray the Expense of Quartering, Stores (except Technical), Supplies, and Transport of the Air Force, which will come in course of payment during the year ending on the 31st day of March 1927.

5. That a sum not exceeding £6,091,000 be Technical and granted to His Majesty, to defray the Expense Technical and Warlike Stores of the Air Force (including Experimental and Research Services), which will come in course of payment during the year ending on the 31st day of March 1927.

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

Mr. M’Neill presented,—Return to an Order, Supreme Court (Prize, &c., Deposit Account, 1924-25.).

Ordered, That the said Return do lie upon No. 39.

Adjournment.

Ordered, That this House do now adjourn.

Adjournment.

Mr. Speaker laid upon the Table,—Report Private Bills, That in respect of the following Bill, introduced pursuant to the provisions of the Private Legislation Procedure (Scotland) Act, 1899, and which the Chairman of Ways and Means had reported as originating in the House of Lords, they have certified that the Standing Orders have been complied with, viz.:

Scottish Widows’ Fund and Life Assurance Society [Lords] (Substituted Bill).

[No. 26.]

Tuesday, 9th March 1926.

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

PRAYERS.

Mr. Speaker laid upon the Table,—Report Private Bills from one of the Examiners of Petitions [Lords.]

No. 26. Report of the Committee of Supply of the 25th day of February last, several Resolutions; which were read, as follow:

Air Estimates, 1926-27.

1. That a number of Air Forces not exceeding 35,000, 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 1927.
Private Bills

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.:

1. Southern Railway Bill.
2. Great Western Railway Bill.
4. Mid-Norfolk Joint Railways Bill.
5. London Electric and Metropolitan District Railway Companies Bill.

Ordered, That the Bills be committed.

Standing Committee A.—Mr. Sandeman; and had appointed in substitution: Sir James Applegarth.

Mr. William Nicholson further reported from Standing Committee A:—That they had discharged the following Member from Standing Committee A (added in respect of the Criminal Justice (Increase of Penalties) Bill)—the Lord Advocate: and had appointed in substitution: Mr. Solicitor General for Scotland.

Ordered, That the Reports do lie upon the Table.

Mr. Ernest Alexander, supported by Mr. Dunmico, Mr. Groves, Mr. Crawford, Mr. Lockyer, Mr. Rhyms, and Mr. Charles Crook, presented a Bill to amend the Law as regards music and dancing licences in parts of certain Home Counties and in certain County Boroughs adjacent thereto: And the same was ordered to be read a second time upon Tuesday next; and to be printed.

A Motion was made, and the Question being put, That the Proceedings on Government Bills be exempted, at this day’s Sitting, from the provisions of the Standing Order (Sittings of the House)—(The Prime Minister):

The House divided.

The Yeas to the Right;

The Noes to the Left.

Tellers for the Yeas, Mr. Beckett, Mr. Gardiner, Mr. Sandman; and had appointed in substitution: Sir James Agnew, Mr. Sandman.

Tellers for the Noes, Mr. Parkinson, Mr. Warne.

So it was resolved in the Affirmative.

A Motion was made, and the Question being put, That the Bills be committed, That be leave be given to bring in a Bill to enable Local Authorities to produce and supply Milk and Dairy Produce.—(Mr. Beckett.)

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;

The House divided.

The Yeas to the Right;

The Noes to the Left.

Tellers for the Yeas, Mr. Beckett, Mr. Gardiner, Mr. Sandman; and had appointed in substitution: Sir James Agnew, Mr. Sandman.

Tellers for the Noes, Mr. Parkinson, Mr. Warne.

So it passed in the Negative.

The Order of the day being read, for the Unemployment Insurance (Northern Ireland Agreement) 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 "This" to the end of the Question, and adding the words "this House, while willing to render financial assistance to meet the deficit in the Unemployment Insurance Fund of Northern Ireland in order to safeguard the rights of unemployed insured persons, cannot consent to a Bill which would establish an X
9th March. 1926.

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.

A Motion was made, and the Question being proposed, That in the opinion of this House, the time has now arrived to appoint a Select Committee, with Treasury representation, to consider and report upon the best means of giving effect to the recommendations of the Ward Committee of 1906, who reported that, in the case of ex-service Civil Servants, previous non-pensionable service in the Navy or Army shall be included for the purpose of their Civil Service pensions—(Captain Arthur Hope)—And a Debate arising thereupon;

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

The Order of the day being read, for the Works of Art and Antiquities (Prohibition of Removal) Bill;

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

The Order of the day being read, for the Parliamentary Elections (Orkney and Zetland) Bill;

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

The Order of the day being read, for the Blind Persons Bill;

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

The Order of the day being read, for the Rear Reflectors on Cycles Bill;

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

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

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

The Order of the day being read, for the Trade Facilities Bill;

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

The Order of the day being read, for the Local Authorities Bill;

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time to-morrow.
The Order of the day being read, for resuming the adjourned Debate on the Amendment which, upon the 4th day of this instant March, was proposed to be made on further consideration of the Eighth of the Resolutions which, upon the 2nd day of this instant March, were reported from the Committee of Supply of the 1st day of this instant March;
Ordered, That the Debate be further adjourned till to-morrow.

The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Merchandise Marks (Imported Goods) 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 Weights and Measures (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 Bankruptcy (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 Imperial War Graves Endowment Fund Bill; the Standing Orders ought to be dispensed with; that the parties be permitted to proceed with their Bill.

The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Imperial War Graves Endowment Fund Bill, the Standing Orders ought to be dispensed with; that the Fund Bill be permitted to proceed.

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The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Imperial War Graves Endowment Fund Bill; the Standing Orders ought to be dispensed with; that the Fund Bill be permitted to proceed.

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

Mr. M'Neill presented, by His Majesty’s Economy Command,—Copy of Memorandum explaining the Classes of the Economy (Miscellaneous Provisions) Bill.


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

Colonel Ashley presented, by His Majesty’s Electricity Command,—Copy of Memorandum on the Electricity (Supply) Bill.

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

Mr. Speaker acquainted the House, That a Message from one of their Clerks, as followeth:
The Lords have passed a Bill, intituled Moneylenders An Act to amend the Law with respect to persons carrying on business as moneylenders; to which the Lords desire the concurrence of this House.

The Moneylenders Bill [Lords] was read the Moneylenders first time, and ordered to be read a second time upon Monday next; and to be printed. Bill 57.

Major-General Sir Newton Moore reported Standing from the Select Committee on Standing Orders Orders, several Resolutions; which were read, as follow:
1. That in the case of the Brompton, Chelsea, Gillingham, and Rochester Water [Lords], a Petition for Bill, the Standing Orders ought to be dispensed with; that the parties be permitted to proceed with their Bill. Bill 58.

2. That in the case of the Imperial War Graves Endowment Fund Bill, the Standing Orders ought to be dispensed with; that the Fund Bill be permitted to proceed.

3. That in the case of the Bank of England (Nationalisation) Bill, the Standing Orders ought not to be dispensed with.

The first two Resolutions, being read a second time, were agreed to.
Ordered, That the Report do lie upon the Table.

Colonel Ashley, supported by Colonel Moore—Electricity Broxbourne, Mr. Attorney General, Secretary Supply Bill, Sir Leaming Warrington-Brown, Sir Philip Cunliffe-Lister, and Colonel Sir John Gilmour, presented a Bill to amend the Law with respect to the supply of electricity. And the same was ordered to be read a second time upon Thursday the 18th day of this instant March; and to be printed.

Mr. Chancellor of the Exchequer, supported by the Prime Minister, Secretary Sir William Joynson-Hicks, Sir Philip Cunliffe-Lister, Mr. Bill.

Mr. M’Neill, presented a Bill to make provision for reducing in respect of certain services the charges on public funds and for increasing, by means of the payment into the Exchequer of certain sums and otherwise, the funds available for meeting such charges, and to amend accordingly.
the Law relating to national health insurance, unemployment insurance, the registration of electors and the holding of elections, education, bankruptcy and companies' winding-up fees and certain other fees, and postmarks, and for purposes related or incidental to the matters aforesaid: And the same was ordered to be read a second time upon Tuesday next; and to be printed.

A Motion was made, and the Question being put, That the Proceedings on Government Business be exempted, at this day's Sitting, from the provisions of the Standing Order (Sittings of the House)—(The Prime Minister);
The House divided.
The Yeas to the Right;
The Noes to the Left.

Mr. Speaker accordingly presented a Bill to provide for the further relief of His Majesty’s Roman Catholic subjects: And that Mr. Dennis Herbert, Mr. Blundell, Major Coffey, Captain Arthur Roven, Sir Nicholas Gratton Doyle, Captain Sidney Herbert, Mr. Robert Hudson, Mr. Kidd, Major Kindreday, Colonel Sir Joseph Nell, and Dr. Wutte do prepare and bring it in.

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

Tellers for the (Colonel Gibba, Sir Harry Barnston: 267.
Tellers for the (Mr. Hugy, Mr. Charles Edwards: 121.
So it was resolved in the Affirmative.

A Motion was made, and the Question being proposed, That leave be given to bring in a Bill to amend the Shops Acts, 1912 and 1913.—(Mr. Taylor);

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.

Ordered, That Mr. Taylor, Mr. Riley, Mr. Thomas Williams, Mr. David Greanly, Mr. Pasley, Mr. Thurtle, Mr. Shepherd, Mr. Spencer, and Mr. Mackinder do prepare and bring in the Bill.

Mr. Taylor accordingly presented a Bill to amend the Shops Acts, 1912 and 1913: And the same was read the first time, and ordered to be read a second time upon Friday the 10th day of this instant March: and to be printed.

The Order of the day being read, for resuming the adjourned Debate on the Amendment which, upon the 4th day of this instant March, was proposed to be made to the Resolution, 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 1926 for the Salaries and Expenses of

the Ministry of Labour and Subordinate Departments, including the Contributions to the Unemployment Fund, and Payments to Associations, Local Education Authorities and others for administration under the Unemployment Insurance and Labour Exchanges Acts; Expenditure in connection with the Training of Demobilised Officers, Non-Commissioned Officers and Men, and Nurses; Grants for Resettlement in Civil Life; and the Expenses of the Industrial Court; also Expenses in connection with the International Labour Organisation (League of Nations), including a Grant in Aid:

Which Amendment was, in l. 1, to leave out " £10," and insert " £6,"—instead thereof.

And the Question being again proposed, That " £10 " stand part of the Resolution:—
The House resumed the said adjourned Debate.

Mr. Betterton 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 Noe to the Left.

Tellers for the (Major Hennessy, Lord Stanley: 268.
Tellers for the (Mr. Parkinson, Mr. Warne: 131.
So it was resolved in the Affirmative.

And the Question being accordingly put, That " £10 " stand part of the Resolution;
The House divided.

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

Tellers for the (Major Hennessy, Major Cope: 271.
Tellers for the (Mr. Parkinson, Mr. Warne: 134.
So it was resolved in the Affirmative.

And the Resolution was agreed to.

Major Hennessy reported from the Committee Supply of the 9th day of this instant March Resolution; which was read, as follows:

Civil Services and Revenue Departments Supplementary Estimate, 1925-26.

Unclassified Services.

That a sum not exceeding £1,200,000 be Northern Ireland 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 1926 for a Grant in Aid of the Revenues of the Government of Northern Ireland.

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

The House, according to Order, resolved Unemployment itself into a Committee on the Unemployment Insurance (Northern Ireland Agreement) Bill.

(In the Committee.)

Clause No. 1 (Confirmation of scheduled agreement).

Amendment proposed, in p. 1, l. 17, after the word "confirmed," to insert the words
"subject to the modification that the agreement shall not operate in any financial year covered by the agreement in which a surplus in both unemployment funds of Great Britain and Northern Ireland is ascertained."—(Mr. Pethick-Lawrence.)

Question put, That those words be there inserted.

The Committee divided.

Tellers for the A. Barnes, Yes, 120.

Mr. Benjamin Smith; Noes, 238.

Mr. Frederick Thomson.

Question put, That the clause stand part of the Bill.

The Committee divided.

Tellers for the Y. Barnes, Yes, 288.

Mr. Charles Edwards; Noes, 18.

Mr. Charles Edweds.

Clause No. 2 agreed to.

Schedule agreed to.

Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair; and the Bill to be reported.

Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair; and the Bill to be read the third time to-morrow.

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

(In the Committee.)

Clause No. 1 (Increase of amount of loans which may be guaranteed under 11 & 12 Geo. 5, c. 65, and extension of period for giving guarantees).

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 proposed, That in the opinion of this House the interests of the Fishing Industry demand a closer co-operation of various Government departments, and that among other important matters the Chancellor of the Exchequer should do more to encourage efficient barrages so as to help to secure sound finance; that the Minister of Transport should use his department to facilitate access to the Home markets for the purpose of obtaining cheap food for the people; that the Minister of Labour should both co-operate with the Board of Education to deal with the lack of apprentices and consider this chance of bringing up to date the fishing fleets to relieve unemployment; that the Board of Trade should encourage exports and endeavour, in conjunction with the Foreign Office, to gain concessions in foreign markets; that the Minister of Health should fit the various Acts of his department more closely to the needs of fishermen, while the whole Government should combine to develop this ancient and important industry.—(Mr. Charles Williams.)

An Amendment was proposed to be made to the Question, in l. 1, by leaving out from the second word "the" to the end of the Question, and adding the words "whole Government should combine to develop the ancient and important industry of fishing."—(Major Harrow.)—instead thereof.

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

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

The Order of the day being read, for resuming Local the adjourned Debate on the Amendment Authoritative (Payment of Product or Expenses) Bill.

That the Local Authoritative (Payment of Expenses) Bill be now read a second time;

Ordered, That the Debate be further adjourned till Monday next.

Postponed Proceeding resumed.

Clause No. 1 (Increase of amount of loans which may be guaranteed under 11 & 12 Geo. 5, c. 65, and extension of period for giving guarantees.)

Amendment proposed, in p. 1, l. 11, at the end, to insert the words,—

"Provided that any further guarantees given under the said section one shall be subject to such conditions as shall ensure the participation by the public in the value of the assets created."

—(Mr. Dalton.)

Question put, That those words be there inserted.

The Committee divided.

Tellers for the Y. Barnes, Yes, 90.

Mr. Benjamin Smith; Noes, 198.

Sir Harry Barnston, Captain Marpessaon.

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Another Amendment proposed, in p. 1, l. 11, at the end, to insert the words,—

"Provided that no further guarantee shall be given under the said section one in respect of any loan for the purpose of any capital undertaking which, whilst promoting employment in one part of the United Kingdom, is calculated to aggravate unemployment in another part."—(Mr. Lowry.)

Question proposed, That those words be there inserted.—Debate arising;

Mr. M'Neil 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 Sir Harry Barnston, Yes, 151.

Captain Marpessaon; Noes, 55.

Mr. Charles Edwardse.

Mr. Thomas Kennedy.

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Question put accordingly, That those words be there inserted.

The Committee divided.

Tellers for the (Mr. Hayes, 
Yea, Mr. Benjamin Smith : ) 156.

Tellers for the (Major Cope, 
Noe, Captain Murgessan : ) 148.

Mr. M'Neil rose in his place and claimed to move, That the Question, That the Chairman stand part of the Bill, be now put.

Question put, That the Question, That the Clause stand part of the Bill, be now put.

The Committee divided.

Tellers for the (Captain Bosser, 
Yea, Captain Murgessan : ) 146.

Tellers for the (Mr. Benjamin Smith, 
Noe, Mr. Hayes : ) 52.

Question put accordingly, That the Clause stand part of the Bill.

The Committee divided.

Tellers for the (Sir Harry Barnston, 
Yea, Captain Murgessan : ) 147.

Tellers for the (Mr Benjamin Smith, 
Noe, Mr. Hayes : ) 52.

Clause No. 3 (Extension of periods during which guarantees may be given and remain in force under Overseas Trade Acts, 1920 to 1924).

Motion made, and Question proposed, That the Chairman do report Progress; and ask leave to sit again.—(Mr. Albert Alexander)—Debate arising:

Colonel Gasie rose in his place and claimed to move, That the Question be now put; but the Chairman withheld his assent, and declined then to put that Question.—Debate resumed.

Question put, That those words be there added.

The Committee divided.

Tellers for the (Mr. Charles Edwards, 
Yea, Mr. Hayes : ) 52.

Tellers for the (Major Cope, 
Noe, Major Hennessy : ) 139.

Amendment proposed, in p. 2, l. 8, at the end, to add the words,—

"Provided that no application for a new guarantee shall be rejected by the Board of Trade on the ground that the trade or branch of trade proposed to be re-established is between the United Kingdom and Russia."

—(Mr. Wallhead.)

Question put, That those words be there added.

The Committee divided.

Tellers for the (Mr. Charles Edwards, 
Yea, Mr. Hayes : ) 48.

Tellers for the (Captain Bosser, 
Noe, Captain Murgessan : ) 133.

Clause agreed to.

Clause No. 3 agreed to.

Bill to be reported.

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Ordered, That the Bill be read the third time this day.

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

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

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

Resolved, That this House will, this day, resolve itself into the said Committee.

The Order of the day being read, for the Local Second Reading of the Weight and Measures (Amendment) Bill [Lords];

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

The Order of the day being read, for the Weights and Measures (Amendment) Bill [Lords];

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

The Order of the day being read, for the Merchandise Marks (Imported Goods) Bill;

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

The Order of the day being read, for the Imperial War Graves Endowment Fund 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 Imperial War Graves Endowment Fund 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 Execution of Diligence Diligence Bill;

Ordered, That this House will, this day, resolve itself into the said Committee.

The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Bankruptcy (Amendment) Bill [Lords];

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

The Order of the day being read, for the Merchandise Marks (Imported Goods) 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 Imperial War Graves Endowment Fund 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 Execution of Diligence Diligence Bill;

Ordered, That this House will, this day, resolve itself into the said Committee.

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

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

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

Resolved, That this House will, this day, resolve itself into the said Committee.

The Order of the day being read, for the Local Second Reading of the Weight and Measures (Amendment) Bill [Lords];

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

The Order of the day being read, for the Weights and Measures (Amendment) Bill [Lords];

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

The Order of the day being read, for the Merchandise Marks (Imported Goods) Bill;

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

The Order of the day being read, for the Imperial War Graves Endowment Fund 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 Imperial War Graves Endowment Fund 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 Execution of Diligence Diligence Bill;

Ordered, That this House will, this day, resolve itself into the said Committee.

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

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

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

Resolved, That this House will, this day, resolve itself into the said Committee.

The Order of the day being read, for the Local Second Reading of the Weight and Measures (Amendment) Bill [Lords];

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

The Order of the day being read, for the Weights and Measures (Amendment) Bill [Lords];

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

The Order of the day being read, for the Merchandise Marks (Imported Goods) Bill;

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

The Order of the day being read, for the Imperial War Graves Endowment Fund 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 Imperial War Graves Endowment Fund 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 Execution of Diligence Diligence Bill;

Ordered, That this House will, this day, resolve itself into the said Committee.

The Order of the day being read, for the Local Second Reading of the Local Authorities (Emergency Provisions) Bill;
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 Citizens of the City of Carlisle, which was presented on the 8th February and published, be approved.—(Sir Burton Chardock.)

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 eight minutes after Six of the clock on Thursday morning, till this day.

[No. 28.]

Thursday, 11th March 1926.

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

PRAYERS.

LORD Eustace Percy presented, pursuant to the directions of several Acts of Parliament,—Copy of Order in Council under the Merchant Shipping Acts, 1894 to 1925, dated 25th February 1926, entitled the Merchant Shipping (Wireless Telegraphy), French Ships, Order, 1926.


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

Secretary Sir William Jopson-Hicks presented, by His Majesty's Command,—Copy of Seventy-Fifth Report of the Church Estates Commissioners for the year preceding 1st March 1926.

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

Mr. Secretary Amery presented, by His Majesty's Command,—Copy of Report to the Secretary of State for Dominion Affairs of the Inter-departmental Committee appointed to consider the effect on Migration of schemes of Social Insurance.

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

Colonel Lane Fox 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 for the quarter ended 31st December 1925.

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

Command,—Copy of Report on the causes of, and circumstances attending the Inrush of Water which occurred as the View Pit of the Montagu Colliery, Scotswood, Northumberland, on 30th Nov., 1921.

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

Mr. Neville Chamberlain presented, pursuant Local to the directions of several Acts of Parliament, —Copies of Orders, under the Local Government Act, 1894, made by the County Council of Essex, and confirmed by the Minister of Health, for the Urban Districts of—

(1) Dagenham; (2) Wanstead and Woodford; (3) West Hendon; (4) Gerrards Island; and (5) Hornchurch.

Copy of Order under the Poor Law Amendment Act, 1834 and 1844, entitled the Seaford Amendment Order, 1926.

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

Copy of Order under the Poor Law Amendment Act, 1834 and 1844, entitled the Seaford Amendment Order, 1926.

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

Ordered, That the Report do lie upon the No. 41. 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 Friday the 18th day of June next; and be printed.

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

The Lords have agreed to the Montrose Bridge Order Confirmation Bill, without any Amendment.

The Lords have passed a Bill, intituled Chosen An Act for enabling the Chosen Syndicate, Limited, to reorganize and increase its capital and to provide for the cancellation of its " B " shares and to issue fully-paid shares in exchange for the same, and for other purposes; to which the Lords desire the concurrence of this House.

The Chosen Syndicate Bill [Lords] was read the first time. Ordered, That the Bill be referred to the Examiners of Positions for Private Bills.

Mr. William Nicholls reported from the Select Committee of Selection; That they had dis charged the following Members from Standing Standing Standing Standing Standing Standing Standing Standing Standing Standing Standing Standing Committee C.—Sir James Armytage, Major Committee A.—Sir James Armytage, Major Harvey, and Captain Hudson; and had appointed in substitution: Captain Coles; Mr. Charles Williams, and Mr. Gurney Wood.

Ordered, That the said Papers do lie upon the Table.
Mr. William Nicholson further reported from the Committee; That they had added the
following Twenty-five Members to Standing Committee A (in respect of the Adoption of
Children Bill)—Sir Robert Neumann, Sir John Pennfather, Mr. Patrick Lawrance, Miss
Philoepou, Mr. Renton, Sir John Steen, Sir Henry Sloane, Mr. Solicitor General, Mr. Trelawny Thomson, and Miss Williamson.

Standing Committee A.

Mr. William Nicholson further reported from the Committee; That they had added the
following Twenty-four Members to Standing Committee A (in respect of the Births and
Deaths Registration Bill and the Midwives and Maternity Homes Bill)—Sir Henry Coulsby, Mr. Kyle Davies, Mr. Hugh Edwards, Colonel Freemen, Mr. Grace, Mr. Greensward, Mr. Groves, Mr. Harmsworth, Mr. Dennis Herbert, Major Hills, Mr. Lucker, Sir Hugh Lucas-Tooth, Major-General Sir Richard Lowes, Captain Macmillen, Sir Douglas Newton, Sir John Power, Mr. Banford, Mr. Taylor, Mr. Trelawny Thomson, Mr. Vane, Mr. Walls, Mr. John Williams, Sir Kingsley Wood, and Mr. Wragg; and (in respect of the Births and Deaths Registration Bill only) Sir Henry Sloane; and (in respect of the Midwives and Maternity Homes Bill only) Mr. Veasey.

Ordered, That the Reports do lie upon the Table.

Business of the House.

A Motion was made, and the Question being put, That the Proceedings on Government Business be exempted, at this day's Sitting, from the provisions of the Standing Order (Sittings of the House)—(The Prime Minister);

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

Tellers for the Yeas, Mr. Lansbury; Tellers for the Noses, Mr. Charles Edwards.

So it was resolved in the Affirmative.

Standing Committee A.

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 Committee on the Navy Estimates)—(Mr. Bridgeman);

An Amendment was proposed to be made to the Question by leaving out from the word "This" to the end of the Question, and adding the words "this House regards with great concern the vast expenditure upon the Navy and the development of the Submarine, and, being of opinion that all such expenditure in preparations for warfare is wasteful and futile, calls upon His Majesty's Government to set an example to the world by bringing about a policy of disarmament through the League of Nations"—(Mr. Sorengsnu).—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 Noses to the Left.

Tellers for the Yeas, Captain Viscount Curzon; 196.
Tellers for the Noses, Captain Bourger; 113.

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 Supply, the Committee of Supply.

(In the Committee.)


1. Motion made, and Question proposed, That 102,675 Officers, Seamen, Boys, and Royal Marines be employed for the Sea Service, together with 450 for the Royal Marine Police, borne on the books of His Majesty's Ships at the Royal Marine Divisions, and at Royal Air Force Establishments, for the year ending on the 31st day of March 1927:

Whereupon Motion made, and Question proposed, That 2,675 Officers, Seamen, Boys, and Royal Marines, together with 450 for the Royal Marine Police, be employed for the said service—(Mr. Lansbury);

Friday, 12th March 1926:

Question put.
The Committee divided.

Tellers for the Yeas, Mr. Lansbury; Tellers for the Noses, Mr. Charles Edwards.

Original Question put, and agreed to.

2. £14,718,000 for Wages, &c., of Officers and Men of the Royal Navy and Royal Marines, and Civilians employed on Fleet Services.

3. £2,375,300 for Works, Buildings, and Repairs, at Home and Abroad, including the cost of Superintendence, Purchase of Sites, Grants in Aid, and other charges connected therewith.

4. £4,423,200 for Victualling and Clothing for the Navy, including the cost of Victualling Establishments at Home and Abroad.

Navy Excesses, 1924–25.

5. £100 to make good Excesses of Navy Expenditure beyond the Grants for the year ended 31st March 1925.

Resolutions to be reported.

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

Ordered, That the Report be received upon Monday next.
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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.

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 Unemployment Assistance (Northern Ireland Agreement) Bill;

Ordered, That the Bill be read the third 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.

Trade Facilities Bill.

The Order of the day being read, for the Third Reading of the Trade Facilities Bill;

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

Local Authorities (Emergency Provisions) Bill;

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

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

Weights and Measures (Amendment) Bill (Lords);

The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Weights and Measures (Amendment) Bill (Lords);

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

Bankruptcy (Amendment) Bill (Lords);

The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Bankruptcy (Amendment) Bill (Lords);

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

Merchandise Marks (Imported Goods) Bill;

The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Merchandise Marks (Imported Goods) Bill;

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

Imperial War Graves Endowment Fund Bill;

The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Imperial War Graves Endowment Fund Bill;

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

Execution of Diligence (Scotland) Bill (Lords);

The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Execution of Diligence (Scotland) Bill (Lords);

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

Bank of England (Nationalisation) Bill;

The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Bank of England (Nationalisation) Bill;

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

Bristol Corporation Measure, 1926.

Resolved, That in accordance with the Church of England Assembly (Powers) Acts, 1919, the Rural Deaneries of Pontefract and Hemsworth (Transfer) Measure, 1926, be presented to His Majesty for Royal Assent.—(Major Birchall.)

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

[No. 29.]

Friday, 12th March 1926.

The House met at Eleven 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.:

Messrs. Hoare Trustees (Lords)

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

The Order of the day being read, for the Bristol Second Reading of the Bristol Corporation Corporation 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 Guildford Corporation 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 Medway Conservancy 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 Pontefract Corporation Corporation Bill;

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

The Order of the day being read, for the Shoreham Harbour Bill;

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

The Lord Advocate presented, pursuant to Universities (Scotland) Act, 1889, Copy of University Court Ordinance, No. 145 (Aberdeen, No. 24) (Regulations for Degrees in Science in Engineering and Amendment of
University Court Ordinance, No. 97 (Aberdeen, No. 11) (in substitution for Ordinance presented 2nd February).
Ordered, That the said Paper do lie upon the Table.

Mr. Attorney General presented, pursuant to Standing Order 175a,—Report on the Berwick-upon-Tweed Corporation (Freemen) Bill [Lords].

Report on the Reading University Bill [Lords].

Report on the Newcastle-upon-Tyne Corporation Bill [Lords].

Report on the Worcester Corporation Bill [Lords].

Ordered, That the Reports be referred to the Committees on the Bills.

The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Omnibuses 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. Grant.)

And the Question being proposed, That the word "now" stand part of the Question:

And a Debate arising thereupon;

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

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. Radford, Yeas, Colonel Burton:]
[134.]

Tellers for the [Sir William Davidson, Nos, Sir Patrick Ford:]
[130.]

So it was resolved in the Affirmative.

And the Question being accordingly put, That the word "now" stand part of the Question;
The House divided.
The Yeas to the Right;
The Noes to the Left.

Tellers for the [Mr. Radford, Yeas, Colonel Burton:]
[128.]

Tellers for the [Sir William Davidson, Nos, Sir Patrick Ford:]
[133.]

So it passed in the Negative.

And the Question being put, That the words "upon this day six months" be added at the end of the Question—It was resolved in the Affirmative.

Then the Main Question, so amended, being put;
Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time upon this day six months.

The Order of the day being read, for the Rating of Land Values 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 Chartered Associations (Protection of Names and Uniforms) Bill;
Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time upon Tuesday next.

The Heather Burning (Scotland) 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 Education (Employment of Young Persons) 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 Leasehold Enfranchisement Bill;
Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time upon Friday next.

Ordered, That Dr. Salter be discharged from Nursing the Select Committee on Nursing Homes (Registration).

Ordered, That Dr. Shields be added to the Committee.—(Colonel Gibbs.)

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

[No. 30.]

Monday, 15th March 1926.
The House met at a quarter of an hour before Three of the clock.

PRAYER.

ORDERED, That the Bermondsey Borough Council (Street Trading) Bill, as amended in the Committee, be taken into consideration to-morrow.

Major Tryon presented, pursuant to the War Pensions directions of an Act of Parliament,—Copy of Acts.

Order under the War Pensions Act, 1921, dated 15th February 1926, entitled the Argyll, Renfrew and Bute War Pensions Committee Order, 1926.

Ordered, That the said Paper do lie upon the Table.
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Mr. Guinness presented, pursuant to the directions of several Acts of Parliament,—Copy of Order under the Diseases of Animals Acts, dated 8th March 1926, authorizing the landing of a consignment not exceeding 20 Corriedale ewes and 10 Corriedale rams at the Port of London, and defining quarantine station for them.

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

Mr. M'Neill presented, by His Majesty's Command,—Copy of Statement showing the Staffs employed in Government Departments on 1st January 1926, compiled from Returns furnished to the Treasury.

Copy of Interim and Final Reports of the Committee on the Maturity of Savings Certificates of the first issue.

Mr. M'Neill also presented, pursuant to the directions of several Acts of Parliament,—Accounts of Gross and Net Expenditure, and of the Sums appropriated by Parliament, for Army Services for 1924-25, with the Report of the Comptroller and Auditor General thereon, and upon the Store Accounts of the Army.

Account of the Gross and Net Expenditure and of the Sums appropriated by Parliament for the Expenses of the Ordnance Factories, the cost of the productions of which has been charged to Army, Navy, and Dominion Governments, &c., for the year ended 31st March 1925, with the Manufacturing Accounts for the same year and the Report of the Comptroller and Auditor General thereon.

Copy of Appropriation Account of the Sums granted by Parliament for Air Services for the year ended 31st March 1925, with the Report of the Comptroller and Auditor General thereon, and upon the Store Accounts of the Air Forces.

Copy of Appropriation Account of the Sums granted by Parliament for Air Services for the year ended 31st March 1925, with the Report of the Comptroller and Auditor General thereon, and upon the Store Accounts of the Air Forces.

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And the Question being put, That Mr. Speaker do now leave the Chair;
the House divided.
The Yeas to the Right;
The Noses to the Left.

Tellers for the Yeas.
Mr. Frederick Thomson, 190.

Tellers for the Noses.
Mr. Parkinson, 85.

So it was resolved in the Affirmative.

The House accordingly resolved itself into the Committee of Supply.

(In the Committee.)

Army Estimates, 1926-27.

1. That a number of Land Forces not exceeding 159,400, 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 1927.

Tuesday, 16th March 1926:

2. £5,474,000 for Pay, &c., of His Majesty's Army at Home and Abroad (exclusive of India).

3. £3,944,000 for Works, Buildings, and Lands, including Military and Civilian Staff, and other charges in connection therewith.


5. £4,050,000 for Chelsea and Kilmainham Hospitals, for Out-Pensions, Rewards for Distinguished Service, Widows' Pensions, and other Non-Effective charges for Warrant Officers, Non-Commissioned Officers, Men, &c.

6. £240,000 for Civil Superannuation, Compensation, and Additional Allowances, Grants, Injury Grants, &c.

Civil Services (Excesses), 1924-25.

7. £387,104 9s. 7d. to make good Excesses to certain Grants for Civil Services for the year ended 31st day of March 1925.

Deputy Chairman reported, That the Committee of Supply had come to several Resolutions.

Ordered, That the Report from the Committee of Supply be read twice on this day.

Resolved, That the House will, this day, again resolve itself into the said Committee.

The Imperial War Graves Endowment Fund Bill was, according to Order, read a second time.

Ordered, That the Bill be committed to a Select Committee of Nine Members, Five to be nominated by the House and Four by the Committee of Selection.

Ordered, That all Petitions against the Bill, presented Five clear days before the meeting of the Committee, be referred to the Committee; that the Petitioners praying to be heard by themselves, their Counsel, or Agents, be heard against the Bill, and Counsel heard in support of the Bill.

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

Ordered, That five be the quorum of the Committee.—(Mr. M'Neill.)

The Order of the day being read, for the Unemployment Insurance (Northern Ireland Agreement) Bill;

Ordered, That the Bill be read the third time this day.

The Order of the day being read, for the Trade Facilities Bill;

Ordered, That the Bill be read the third time this day.

The Order of the day being read, for the Wages and Salaries Bill;

Resolved, That this House will, this day, resolve itself into the said Committee.

The Order of the day being read, for receiving the Report from the Committee of Supply of the Committee of Ways and Means;

Ordered, That the Report be received this day.

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

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

The Order of the day being read, for the Weights and Measures (Amendment) Bill [Lords];

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

The Order of the day being read, for the Bankruptcy (Amendment) Bill [Lords];

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

The Order of the day being read, for the Merchandise Marks (Imported Goods) Bill [Lords];

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time this day.
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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 1922, and confirmed by the Minister of Transport under the Electricity (Supply) Act, 1919, in respect of the Urban District of Dalton-in-Furness and part of the Rural District of Ulverston, in the County Palatine of Lancaster, which was presented on the 2nd day of February 1926, be approved.—(Colonel Ashley.)

Ordered, That the Special Order made by the Electricity Commissioners under the Electricity (Supply) Acts, 1882 to 1922, and confirmed by the Minister of Transport under the Electricity (Supply) Act, 1919, in respect of the Parish of Little Holland in the Rural District of Tendring, in the County of Essex, which was presented on the 2nd day of February 1926, be approved.—(Colonel Ashley.)

Ordered, That the Special Order made by the Electricity Commissioners under the Electricity (Supply) Acts, 1882 to 1922, and confirmed by the Minister of Transport under the Electricity (Supply) Act, 1919, in respect of the Urban District of Spalding and the Rural District of Spalding, in the parts of Holland, in the County of Lincoln, which was presented on the 2nd day of February 1926, be approved.—(Colonel Ashley.)

Ordered, That the Special Order made by the Electricity Commissioners under the Electricity (Supply) Acts, 1882 to 1922, and confirmed by the Minister of Transport under the Electricity (Supply) Act, 1919, in respect of parts of the Borough of Port Glasgow and Inverkip, in the County Palatine of Lancaster, which was presented on the 2nd day of February 1926, be approved.—(Colonel Ashley.)

Ordered, That the Special Order made by the Electricity Commissioners under the Electricity (Supply) Acts, 1882 to 1922, and confirmed by the Minister of Transport under the Electricity (Supply) Act, 1919, in respect of parts of the Borough of Port Glasgow and Inverkip, in the County of Lancaster, which was presented on the 2nd day of February 1926, be approved.—(Colonel Ashley.)

The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Merchandise Marks Acts (1887 to 1911) 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 Marriage (Prohibited Degrees of Relationship) 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 Works of Art and Antiquities (Prohibition of Removal) Bill;

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

The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Parliamentary Elections (Orkney and Zetland) Bill;

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

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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. —

Council 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. —

Ministry of Health Provisional Orders (No. 1) Bill.

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

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

Swindon Corporation Bill.

Mynyddislwyn Urban District Council Bill.

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

The Order of the day being read, for taking into consideration the Bermondsey Borough (Street Trading) Bill, as amended in the Committee;

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

Mr. Attorney General presented, pursuant to Standing Order 175a,—Copy of Report of the Attorney General on the Hackney Borough Council Bill.

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

Lord Eustace Percy presented, pursuant to the directions of an Act of Parliament,—Copies of Statutes made for the University of Oxford by the University of Oxford Commissioners—

(1) concerning the Litchfield Trust for Clinical Instruction;

(2) De Congregationibus Magistrorum Regentium et Concerning the Congregation and Convocation of the University;

(3) De Institutiones Taylorianae;

(4) concerning the admission of Societies of Women Students; and

(5) concerning the obligations of Colleges regarding Kitchen Management.

Copies of Statutes made by the University of Oxford Commissioners for:—

(1) Balliol College;

(2) Merton College;

(3) Exeter College;

(4) Oriel College;

(5) Queen’s College;

(6) New College;

(7) Lincoln College;

(8) Brasenose College;

(9) Christ Church;

(10) Jesus College;

(11) Wadham College; and

(12) Hertford College.

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

Sir Philip Cunliffe-Lister presented, by His Imperial Majesty’s Command.—Copy of Report by the Shipping Committee of the Imperial Shipping Committee on certain aspects of the Canadian Cattle Trade.

Sir Philip Cunliffe-Lister also presented, assurance pursuant to the directions of an Act of Parliament,—Copy of Statements of Assurance Business under the Assurance Companies Act, 1909, deposited with the Board of Trade during 1925. Parts I. and II.

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

Mr. M’Neill presented, by His Majesty’s National Command,—Copy of Tables relating to National Expenditure.

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

Lord Eustace Percy presented, by His University of Oxford Commissioners,—Copy of Report of the Standing Committee for the Adoption of Children Bill was referred; That they had gone through the Bill, and made Amendments thereto.

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

Mr. Neville Chamberlain presented, pursuant to the directions of an Act of Parliament,—Copy of Order under the Local Government Act, 1898, entitled the West Riding of Yorkshire (Ilkley Urban District) Confirmation Order, 1925.

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

Sir Cyril Cobb reported from Standing Committee A, to whom the Adoption of Children 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.
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Ordered, That the Bill, as amended in the Standing Committee, be taken into consideration upon Monday next; and be printed.

Mr. James Brown reported from the Standing Committee on Scottish Bills, to whom the Allotments (Scotland) Bill was referred; That they had gone through the Bill, and made an Amendment thereunto.

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

Ordered, That the Minutes of the Proceedings of the Standing Committee be printed.

Ordered, That the Bill, as amended in the Standing Committee, be taken into consideration upon Monday next; and be printed.

Sir Thomas Robinson reported from the Local Legislation Committee: That in the case of the City of London (Various Powers) Bill they had examined the allegations of the Bill, and found the same to be true; and had gone through the Bill and made Amendments thereunto. Ordered, That the Report do lie upon the Table; and be printed.

Sir Alfred Hopkinson, K.C., Member for the University of Durham, the Victoria University of Manchester, the University of Liverpool, the University of Sheffield, the University of Birmingham, and the University of Bristol, was sworn.

The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Economy (Miscellaneous Provisions) Bill;

Resolved, That the Motion be 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. Snowden.)

And the Question being proposed, That the word "now" stand part of the Question:—And a Debate arising thereupon;

Ordered, That the Debate be now adjourned.—(Commander Eyre-Monsell.)

Ordered, That the Debate be resumed to-morrow.

The Order of the day being read for receiving the Report from the Committee of Supply of the 16th day of this instant March;

Ordered, That the Report be received to-morrow.

The Order of the day being read, for the Third Reading of the Unemployment Insurance (Northern Ireland Agreement) 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 Trade Facilities Bill;

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

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Resolved, That the Special Order made by the Electricity Commissioners under the Electricity (Supply) Acts, 1882 to 1922, and confirmed by the Electricity (Supply) Act, 1919, in respect of the Urban Districts of Abergale and Pensarn, in the County of Denbigh, which was presented on the 8th day of February 1926, be approved.—(Colonel Moore-Brabazon.)

Electricity (Supply) Acts. Resolution.—Ordered, That the Special Order made by the Electricity Commissioners, in respect of the Rural Districts of Southam, Stratford-on-Avon and Warwick, in the County of Warwick, which was presented on the 8th day of February 1926, be approved.—(Colonel Moore-Brabazon.)

Vinegar Bill. Resolution.—The Vinegar Bill was, according to Order, read a second time, and committed to a Standing Committee.

Town Tenants Bill. Resolution.—The Order of the day being read, for re-suming the adjourned Debate on the Question proposed upon the 19th day of February last, That the Town Tenants Bill be now read a second time; Ordered, That the Debate be further adjourned till Tuesday the 30th day of this instant March.

Blasphemy Laws (Amendment) Bill. Resolution.—The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Blasphemy Laws (Amendment) Bill; Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time upon Friday the 16th day of April next.

Local Authorities (Municipal Banks) Enabling Bill. Resolution.—The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Local Authorities (Municipal Banks) Enabling Bill; Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time upon Tuesday next.

Home Counties (Music and Dancing) Licensing Bill. Resolution.—The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Home Counties (Music and Dancing) Licensing Bill; Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time to-morrow.

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

Chartered Associations (Protection of Names and Uniforms) Bill. Resolution.—The Chartered Associations (Protection of Names and Uniforms) Bill was, according to Order, read a second time, and committed to a Standing Committee.

**STANDING COMMITTEES.**

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

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[No. 32.]

**Wednesday, 17th March 1926.**

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

**PRAYERS.**

**THE ORDER OF THE DAY.**

The Order of the day being read, for taking Bermondsey Borough Council (Street Trading) 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 Pontefract Corporation Second Reading of the Pontefract Corporation Bill; Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time upon Wednesday next.

The Order of the day being read, for the Local Bodies and Employment of Ex-Service Men in Government Offices. Bill; Ordered, That the said Paper do lie upon the Table.

The Ministry of Health Provisional Orders (No. 1) Bill was, according to Order, read a second time, and committed.

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

Sir Philip Cunliffe-Lister presented, pursuant to the directions of an Act of Parliament,—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 Knottingley Gas Company.

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

Mr. M'Neill 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 January 1926, Offices.
compiled from Returns furnished to the Treasury.

Mr. McNeil also presented, pursuant to the directions of an Act of Parliament,—Account of the Unemployment Fund established pursuant to Section 14 (1) of the Unemployment Insurance Act, 1920, showing the Receipts and Payments during the period 7th July 1924 to 5th July 1925, with the Report of the Controller and Auditor General thereon.

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

Message from the Lords.

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

The Lords have agreed to the Public Works Loans Bill, without any Amendment.

The Lords communicate that they have come to the following Resolution: That it is desirable that a Standing Joint Committee on Indian Affairs of both Houses of Parliament be appointed to examine and report on any Bill or matter referred to them specifically by either House of Parliament, and to consider, with a view to reporting, if necessary, therein, any matter relating to Indian Affairs brought to the notice of the Committee by the Secretary of State for India.

Mr. William Nicholson reported from the Committee of Selection, That they had added the following Fifteen Members to the Standing Committee on Scottish Bills (in respect of the Heather Burning (Scotland) Bill)—The Lord Advocate, Lord Balniel, Captain Bourns, Mr. Crawford, Major George Davie, Lord Fermoy, Captain D'Arcy Hall, Mr. Harmsworth, Colonel James, Mr. March, Mr. Ritson, Mr. Robinson, Major Steel, Mr. Whiteley, and Mr. Charles Williams.

Ordered, That the Report do lie upon the Table.

Standing Orders.

Major-General Sir Newton Moore reported from the Select Committee on Standing Orders several Resolutions: which were read, as follows:

1. That in the case of the Kidderminster and Stourport Tramways [Lords], Petition for Bill, the Standing Orders ought to be dispensed with; that the parties be permitted to proceed with their Bill, on condition that the powers to construct Tramways No. 1 and No. 1a be struck out of the Bill, unless the requisite consents of local and road authorities be proved before the Committee on the Bill; that the Committee on the Bill do report how far such Order has been complied with.

2. That in the case of the Kidderminster and Stourport Tramways [Lords], Petition for Bill, 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.

3. That in the case of the Messrs. Hoare Trustees [Lords], Petition for Bill, the Standing Orders ought to be dispensed with; that the parties be permitted to proceed with their Bill, on condition that the said Resolutions, being read a second time, were agreed to.

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A Motion was made, and the Question being put, That the Proceedings on Government Business be exempted, at this day's Sitting, from the provisions of the Standing Order (Sittings of the House)—(The Prime Minister); The House divided.

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

 Tellers for the [Colonel Gibbon] : Yes, [Sir Harry Barnston] :
 Tellers for the [Mr. Parkinson] :
 Noes, [Mr. Charles Edwards] :

So it was resolved in the Affirmative.

A Motion was made, and the Question being put, That leave be given to bring in a Bill to amend the Licensing Act, 1921 (Mr. Banks);

And the Motion being opposed, after a brief Mr. Speaker explanatory statement from the Member who made the Motion and from a Member who opposed it, Mr. Speaker put the Question, pursuant to Standing Order No. 11; The House divided.

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

Tellers for the [Mr. Macquisten] :
 Yes, [Colonel Gretton] :
 Tellers for the [Viscount Astor] :
 Noes, [Sir John Simon] :

So it was resolved in the Affirmative.

Ordered, That Mr. Banks, Mr. Greenway-Lord, Colonel Sir Arthur Holbrook, Mr. Armstrong-Burleith, Sir Richard Barnatt, Sir Philip Dawson, Mr. Clarry, Mr. Goon, Colonel Grant-Morden, and Mr. Meller do prepare and bring in the Bill.

Mr. Banks accordingly presented a Bill to amend the Licensing Act, 1921: And the same was read the first time, and ordered to be read a second time upon Friday the 14th day of May next; and to be printed.

The Order of the day being read, for resuming the adjourned Debate on the Amendment which, upon the 18th day of this instant March, was proposed to be made to the Question, That the Economy (Miscellaneous Provisions) Bill be now read a second time

Which Amendment was to leave out the word "now" and, at the end of the Question, to add the words "upon this day six months.

And the Question being again proposed, That the word "now" stand part of the Question:—The House resumed the said adjourned Debate.

And the Question being put;
The House divided.

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

Tellers for the [Commander Eyres-Monsell] :
Yes, [Captain Viscount Curzon]:
Tellers for the [Mr. Charles Edwards] :
 Noes, [Mr. Burns]:

So it was resolved in the Affirmative.

The Bill was read a second time.
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Ordered, That the Bill be committed to a Committee of the whole House for to-morrow.

Trade Facilities Bill.

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

Unemployment Insurance (Northern Ireland Agreement) Bill.

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

Local Authorities (Emergency Provisions) Bill.

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

Police Pensions Bill.

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

Weights and Measures (Amendment) Bill (Lords).

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

Supplies. The Order of the day being read, for receiving the Report from the Committee of Supply of the 15th day of this instant March;

Ordered, That the Report be received to-morrow.

Bankruptcy (Amendment) Bill [Lords].

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

Merchandise Marks (Imported Goods) 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 Execution of Diligence (Scotland) Bill [Lords];

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

Resolved, That this House do now adjourn. Adjournment.

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

STANDING COMMITTEES.

Distribution by Mr. Speaker, pursuant to Standing Order No. 47,—Copy of Report of the Committee of Supply of the 15th day of this instant March;

Ordered, That the Report be received to-morrow.

Number of Bill. Standing Committee.

Vinegar Bill ... A.

Chartered Associations (Protection of Names and Uniforms) Bill.

Thursday, 18th March 1926.

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

PRAYERS.

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

Mr. Attorney General presented, pursuant to the directions of an Act of Parliament—Copies of Acts. Special Orders made by the Electricity Commissioners, and confirmed by the Minister of Transport under the Electricity (Supply) Act, 1919, in respect of—

(1) the Boroughs of Walsall and Montgomery and the Rural District of Foredon, in the County of Montgomery;
(2) the Urban District of Wellington, in the County of Somerset;
(3) the Urban Districts of Sandbach and Alsager and the Rural District of Congleton, in the County of Chester;
(4) the Urban District of Walton-le-Dale, in the County Palatine of Lancaster;
(5) the Urban District of Littlehampton, in the Administrative County of West Sussex; and
(6) parts of the Rural Districts of Gwyrfai and Ogwen, in the County of Carnarvon.
Ordered, That the said Paper do lie upon the Table.

Secretary Sir William Joynson-Hicks presented, pursuant to the directions of several Acts of Parliament,—Copy of Return of the Official Assignee in Bankruptcy of the King's Bench Division, Northern Ireland, for the year 1925.

Copy of Regulations, dated 12th March 1926, made by the Secretary of State under Section 79 of the Factory and Workshop Act, 1901, entitled the Vehicle Painting Regulations, 1925.

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

Mr. Hopkins reported from the Committee on the London, Midland, and Scottish Railway Bill; that they had examined the allegations contained in the Preamble of the Bill, and amended the same so as to make it consistent with the provisions of the Bill as passed by the Committee, and found the same, as amended, to be true; and had gone through the Bill and made Amendments thereto; and had amended the Title as follows:—A Bill to empower the London, Midland, and Scottish Railway Company to construct a railway, and for other purposes.

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

Mr. Hopkins reported the Mid-Norfolk Joint Railways Bill, with Amendments.

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

Mr. Hopkins reported from the Committee on Group B of Private Bills; that, for the convenience of parties, the Committee had adjourned till Tuesday next, at half-past Eleven of the clock.

Ordered, That the Report do lie upon the Table.

Sir John Gasson reported from the Committee on Group A 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.

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

(In the Committee.)

Civil Services and Revenue Departments Estimates, 1926–27 (Vote on Account).

Motion made, and Question proposed, That a sum not exceeding £217,840,000 be granted to His Majesty, on account, for or towards defraying the charges for the following Civil Services and Revenue Departments (including Pensions, Education, Insurance, and other Grants) for the year ending on the 31st day of March 1927, viz.:—

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Whereupon Motion made, and Question proposed, That Item Class 7, Vote 3 (Ministry of Labour), be reduced by £100—(Mr. Purcell):

—Debate arising;

Mr. Greenall rose in his place and claimed to be called on; but the Chairman withheld his assent, and declined then to put that Question:—Debate resumed.

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

Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair; and the Deputy Chairman also acquainted the House that he was directed to move, That the Committee may have leave to sit again.

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 House, according to Order, resolved Ways and Means.

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 1926, the sum of £5,269,474 be granted out of the Consolidated Fund of the United Kingdom.—(Mr. M'Neill.)

1. Resolved, That towards making good the Supply granted to His Majesty for the service of the year ending on the 31st day of March 1925, the sum of £387,204 9s. 9d. be granted out of the Consolidated Fund of the United Kingdom.—(Mr. M'Neill.)

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 1926, the sum of £174,047,500 be granted out of the Consolidated Fund of the United Kingdom.—(Mr. M'Neill.)

Resolution to be reported.

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

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.
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18th—19th March.

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.

Economy (Miscellaneous Provisions) Bill.

The Order of the day being read, for the Committee on the Economy (Miscellaneous Provisions) Bill;

Readed, That this House will, upon Monday next, resolver 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.

Weights and Measures (Amendment) Bill [Lords.]


The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Weights and Measures (Amendment) Bill [Lords];

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

Lead Paint (Protection against Poisoning) Bill.

Ordered, That the Report be received upon Monday next.

Bankruptcy (Amendment) Bill [Lords.]


The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Lead Paint (Protection against Poisoning) Bill;

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

Merchandise Marks (Imported Goods) Bill.

Ordered, That the Report be received upon Monday next.

Execution of Diligence (Scotland) Bill [Lords.]

Imperial War Graves Endowment Fund Bill.

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

Rating of Land Values 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 Burgh Registers (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 Rear Reflectors on Cycles Bill;

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

The House Counties (Music and Dancing) House Licensing 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 Bill;

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time upon Monday the 29th day of this instant March.

And then the House, having continued to sit till thirteen 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. 34.]

Friday, 19th March 1926.

The House met at Eleven of the clock.

PRAYERS.

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

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

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The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Medway Conservancy 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 Shoreham Harbour Bill;

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

The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Building Materials (Charges and Supply) Bill;

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. Ramsden.)

And the Question being put, That the word "now" stand part of the Question;

The House divided.

The Yeas to the Right:

Mr. Parkinson, 98.
Mr. Charles Edwards: 98.

The Noes to the Left:

Mr. Herbert William: 196.

So it passed in the Negative.

And the Question being put, That the words "upon this day six months" be added at the end of the Question —It was resolved in the Affirmative.

Then the Main Question, so amended, being put;

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

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

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

The Order of the day being read, for receiving the Report from the Committee of Supply of the 18th day of this instant March;

Ordered, That the Report be received upon Monday 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 receiving the Report from the Committee of Ways and Means of the 18th day of this instant March;

Ordered, That the Report be received upon Monday next.

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

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

Ordered, That so much of the Lords' Message relating to Indian Affairs of the 17th day of this instant March, as communicates the Resolution, That it is desirable that a Standing Joint Committee on Indian Affairs of both Houses of Parliament be appointed to examine and report on any Bill or matter referred to them specifically by either House of Parliament, and to consider, with a view to reporting, if necessary, thereon any matter relating to Indian Affairs brought to the notice of the Committee by the Secretary of State for India, be now taken into consideration.—(Colonel Gibbs.)

The House accordingly proceeded to take so much of the Lords' 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. Speaker adjourned the House without Question put, pursuant to Standing Order No. 47, of Bills committed to a Standing Committee.
Mr. William Nicholson reported from the Committee of Selection, that they had discharged the following Member from Standing Committee A (added in respect of the Midwives and Maternity Homes Bill)—Mr. Viant; and had appointed in substitution: Miss Wilkinson.

Ordered. That the Report do lie upon the Table.

A Motion was made, and the Question being put, That notwithstanding anything in Standing Order No. 45, the Reports of the Navy (Excesses) 1924-25, and Civil Services (Excesses) 1924-25, may be considered this day and that the Proceedings on Reports of Supply of the 11th and 15th March may be taken after Eleven of the clock, and that such Proceedings be exempted, at this day's Sitting, from the provisions of Standing Order (Sittings of the House)—(The Prime Minister);

The House divided.

The Yeas to the Right;

The Noes to the Left.


So it was resolved in the Affirmative.

Colonel Gibbs reported from the Committee Supply of the 11th day of this instant March, several Resolutions; which were read, as follow:

Navy Estimates, 1926-27.

1. That 102,675 Officers, Seamen, Boys, and Sailors be employed for the Royal Navy, and Royal Marines, and Civilians employed on Fleet Services, which will come in course of payment during the year ending on the 31st day of March 1927.

2. That a sum not exceeding £14,718,000 be granted to Her Majesty's Government, to meet the Wages, &c., of Officers and Men of the Royal Navy and Royal Marines, and Civilians employed on Fleet Services, together with 450 for the Royal Marine Police, and 3,000 for the Midwife's Committee, and the Offices of the Midwife's Committee 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 1927.

3. That a sum not exceeding £2,375,300 be granted to Her Majesty, to defray the Expenses 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 1927.

4. That a sum not exceeding £4,423,200 be granted to Her Majesty, to defray the Expense of Victualling and Clothing for the Navy, including the cost of Victualling and Clothing for the Navy, and for the Royal Marine Divisions, and at Royal Air Force Establishments, for the year ending on the 31st day of March 1927.

5. That a sum not exceeding £100 be granted to Her Majesty, to make good Excesses of Navy Expenditure beyond the Grants for the year ended 31st March 1925.
The said Resolutions, being read a second time, were agreed to.

Mr. Frederick Thomson reported from the Committee of Supply of the 15th day of this instant March, several Resolutions; which were read, as follow:

Army Estimates, 1926-27.

1. That a number of Land Forces not exceeding 159,400, 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 1927.

2. That a sum not exceeding £240,000 be granted to His Majesty, to defray the Expense of the Pay, &c., of His Majesty's Army at Home and Abroad (exclusive of India), which will come in course of payment during the year ending on the 31st day of March 1927.

3. That a sum not exceeding £3,944,000 be granted to His Majesty, to defray the Expense and other Charges for Buildings, granted to His Majesty, to defray the Expense and other Charges for Works, 3. That a sum not exceeding £387,104 9s. 3d. be granted to His Majesty, to defray the Expense and other Charges for Civil Superannuation, Compensation, and Grants, &c., which will come in course of payment during the year ending on the 31st day of March 1927.

4. That a sum not exceeding £3,633,000 be granted to His Majesty, to defray the Expense of Rewards, Half-Pay, Retired Pay, granted to His Majesty, to defray the Expense and other Charges for Widows' Non-effective Pensions, and other charges in connection therewith, which will come in course of payment during the year ending on the 31st day of March 1927.

5. That a sum not exceeding £4,050,000 be granted to His Majesty, to defray the Expense of Chelsea and Kilmainham Hospitals, of Out-Pensions, Rewards for Distinguished Service, Widows' Pensions, and other Non-effective charges for Officers, which will come in course of payment during the year ending on the 31st day of March 1927.

6. That a sum not exceeding £234,000 be granted to His Majesty, to defray the Expense of Civil Superannuation, Compensation, and Additional Allowances, Gratuities, Injury Grants, &c., which will come in course of payment during the year ending on the 31st day of March 1927.

7. That a sum not exceeding £33,538 4s. 7d. be granted to His Majesty, to defray good Excess on certain Grants for Civil Services for the year ended 31st day of March 1925:—

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The First Resolution, being read a second time:

An Amendment was proposed to be made thereto, by leaving out "159,400," and inserting "159,300"—(Mr. Walsh)—instead thereof.

And the Question being put, That "159,400" stand part of the Resolution;

The House divided.

The Yeas to the Right:—

Tellers for the Lord Stanley, Yeas:—

Mr. Charles Edwards:—

So it was resolved in the affirmative.

And the Resolution was agreed to.

Then the Second to Sixth Resolutions, being read a second time, were agreed to.

Ordered, That the Resolution which upon the 5th 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 35,500, 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 1927.

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. Bridgeman, Secretary Sir Samuel Hoare, and Captain King do prepare and bring it in.

Secretary Sir Laming Worthington-Evans arrayd and accordingly presented a Bill to provide, during Air Forces (Annual) Bill, Twelve Months, for the Discipline and Regulation of the Army and Air Force; And the same was read the first time, and ordered to be read a second time to-morrow; and to be printed.

The Seventh Resolution, being read a second time, 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 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 receiving the Report from the Committee of Ways and Means of the 18th day of this instant March; Ordered, That the Report be received to-morrow.

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 Committee on the Economy (Miscellaneous Provisions) Bill; 
Resolved, That this House will, to-morrow, resolve itself into the said Committee.

The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the 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 Weights and Measures (Amendment) Bill [Lords]; 
Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time to-morrow.

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

The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Merchandise Marks (Imported Goods) 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 Execution of Diligence (Scotland) 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 18th day of this instant March; 
Ordered, That the Report be received to-morrow.

Resolved, That this House do now adjourn. —(Captain Bowyer.)

And accordingly the House, having continued to sit till Nine of the clock, adjourned till to-morrow.
the Standing Committee on Scottish Bills (in respect of the Heather Burning (Scotland) Bill).

Ordered, That the Report do lie upon the Table.

Sir Granville Wailes, supported by Brigadier-General Cockrell, Brigadier-General Clifton Brown, Sir Leslie Forrestier-Walker, and Colonel Murrough Wilson, presented a Bill to provide for the regulation of Moveable Dwellings: And the same was ordered to be read a second time upon Thursday the 19th day of April next; and to be printed.

Ordered, That leave be given to bring in a Bill to amend the Asylums Officers' Superannuation Act, 1909: And that Mr. Taylor, Mr. Thomas Williams, Mr. Polking, Mr. Riley, Mr. Thomas Kennedy, and Mr. Robert Richardson do prepare and bring it in.

Mr. Taylor accordingly presented a Bill to amend the Asylums Officers' Superannuation Act, 1909: And the same was read the first time, and ordered to be read a second time upon Wednesday the 31st day of this instant March; and to be printed.

Sir Harry Barnston reported from the Committee of Supply of the 18th day of this instant March, a Resolution; which was read, as follows:

Civil Services and Revenue Departments Estimates, 1926-27 (Vote on Account).

That a sum not exceeding £117,840,000 be granted to His Majesty, on account, for or towards defraying the charges for the following Civil Services and Revenue Departments (including Penalties, Education, Insurance, and other Grants) for the year ending on the 31st day of March 1927, viz.:--

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16 Geo. V. 23rd March.

And it being after Eleven of the clock, Mr. Speaker, pursuant to Standing Order No. 15, put forthwith the Question necessary to dispose of the Report of the Vote.

And the Resolution was agreed to.

Captain King reported from the Committee for Ways and Means, the Report of Ways and Means of the 18th day of this instant March, several Resolutions; which Report was read, as follow:

1. That towards making good the Supply Consolidated granted to His Majesty for the service of the year ending on the 31st day of March 1926, the sum of £387,204 7s. 7d. be granted out of the Consolidated Fund of the United Kingdom.

2. That towards making good the Supply Consolidated granted to His Majesty for the service of the year ending on the 31st day of March 1927, the sum of £174,047,500 be granted out of the Consolidated Fund of the United Kingdom.

3. That towards making good the Supply Consolidated granted to His Majesty for the service of the Fund, the year ending on the 31st day of March 1927, the sum of £174,047,500 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 the Exchequer, and Mr. M'Neil do prepare and bring it in.

Mr. M'Neil accordingly presented a Bill to Consolidated Fund to the service of the years ending on the thirty-first day of March, one thousand nine hundred and twenty-five, one thousand nine hundred and twenty-six, and one thousand nine hundred and twenty-seven: And the same was read the first time, and ordered to be printed.

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:

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 (Annual) Bill:

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time 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.

The Order of the day being read, for the Economy Committee on the Economy (Miscellaneous Provisions) Bill:

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

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The Order of the day being read, for the 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 Weights and Measures (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 Lead Paint (Protection against Poisoning) 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 Bankruptcy (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 Merchandise Marks (Imported Goods) Bill;
Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time to-morrow.

The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Merchandise Marks (1887 to 1911) Acts (1887 to 1911) Amendment Bill;
Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time to-morrow.

The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Marriage (Prohibited Degrees of Relationship) 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 Works of Art and Antiquities (Prohibition of Removal) 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 Blind Persons 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 Moneymenders Bill [Lords];
Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time upon Monday next.

The House, according to Order, proceeded to take into consideration the Allotments (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.
16 Geo. V. 24th March.

derived from official sources with regard to industrial remuneration, conditions, and relationships in Great Britain and certain other countries, so far as available, with statistical tables and an introduction by the Committee on Industry and Trade.

Gas Fund.

Sir Philip Cunliffe-Lister also presented, pursuant to the directions of an Act of Parliament—Accounts of the Gas Fund for the year ended 31st March 1925.

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

Ecclesiastical Commissioners.

Secretary Sir William Joynson-Hicks presented, by His Majesty's Command,—Copy of Seventy-eighth Report from the Ecclesiastical Commissioners for England, with Appendix.

Historical Manuscripts Commission.

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

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

Trading Accounts and Balance Sheets.

No. 50.

Mr. J. Neville presented, pursuant to the directions of an Act of Parliament,—Copy of Accounts and Balance Sheets of Trading or Commercial Services conducted by Government Departments during the period ended 31st March 1925, with the Report of the Comptroller and Auditor General thereon.

Ordered, That the said Paper 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 follows:

The Lords have passed a Bill, intituled An Act to authorise the Company of Proprietors of the Birmingham Canal Navigation, to close their wharf, known as the Old Wharf, in the City of Birmingham, and to sell the same and the site thereof, and for other purposes; to which the Lords desire the concurrence of this House.

The Lords have passed a Bill, intituled An Act to reduce and re-arrange the capital of the Serles Street and Cook's Court Improvement Company; to change the name of the Company, and for other purposes; to which the Lords desire the concurrence of this House.

The Lords have passed a Bill, intituled An Act to authorise the Brompton, Chatham, Gillingham, and Rochester Water Bill; to consolidate and convert the existing capital of the Company, and for other purposes; to which the Lords desire the concurrence of this House.

The Birmingham Canal Bill [Lords] was read the first time.

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

The Brompton, Chatham, Gillingham, and Rochester Water Bill [Lords] was read the first time.

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

Major-General Sir Newton Moore reported Standing Orders from the Select Committee on Standing Orders.

1. That in the case of the Swindon 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.

2. That in the case of the Mynyddislwyn Urban District Council Bill, Petition for additional Provision, the Standing Orders ought to be dispensed with; that the parties be permitted to insert their additional Provision on condition that the approval of the Bedweelly Council and of the electors of the Bedweelly Urban District under the Borough Funds Act is obtained; that the Committee on the Bill do report how far such Order has been complied with.

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

Sir John Granoni reported from the Committee on the Doncaster Corporation Bill; That they had examined the allegations contained in the Preamble of the Bill, and amended the same so as to make it consistent with the provisions of the Bill as passed by the Committee, and found the same, as amended, to be true; and had gone through the Bill and made Amendments thereto.

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

Sir James App-Gardner reported from the Committee on Urban District under the Borough Funds Act.

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

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

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

And it being a quarter-of-an-hour after Eight of the clock, and there being 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 Guildford Corporation Bill was, according Guildford Corporation Bill, to Order, read a second time, and committed.

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

And is 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 Guildford Corporation Bill was, according Guildford Corporation Bill, to Order, read a second time, and committed.

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

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**The Yeas to the Right;**

**The Noes to the Left.**

**Tellers for the**

Mr. Campbell,

Yea,

Sir Harry Foster: 100.

**Tellers for the**

Noes,

Mr. Briggs: 135.

So it passed in the Negative.

**Bermondsey Borough Council (Street Trading) Bill, as amended in the Committee;**

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

**Consolidated Fund (No. 1) Bill;**

The Postponed Proceedings on the Question, that the Consolidated Fund (No. 1) Bill be now read a second time, was resumed.

And the Questionbeing put;

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

The Bill was accordingly read a second time, and committed to a Committee of the whole House for to-morrow.

**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 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.

**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.

**Economy (Miscellaneous Provisions) Bill;**

The Order of the day being read, for the Committee on the Economy (Miscellaneous Provisions) Bill;

Resolved, That this House will, upon Monday next, 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.

**Weights and Measures (Amendment) Bill [Lords];**

The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Weights and Measures (Amendment) Bill [Lords];

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

**Lead Paint (Protection against Poisoning) Bill;**

The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Lead Paint (Protection against Poisoning) Bill;

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time to-morrow.
Mr. Bridges, in 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., in 1925-26.

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

The following Paper, pursuant to the directions of an Act of Parliament, was laid upon the Table by the Clerk of the House:—

Copy of Second Schedule containing a list and particulars of certain classes of documents relating to the affairs of the West New Jersey Society, which have been deposited in the Public Record Office, and are not considered of sufficient public value to justify their preservation.

Message from the Lords:

Mr. Speaker acquainted the House, That a Bill, intituled An Act to amend the Markets and Fairs (Weighing of Cattle) Acts, 1887 and 1891; to which the Lords desire the concurrence of this House.

The Lords have passed a Bill, intituled An Act to confer further powers upon the Bristol General Cemetery Company, and for other purposes; to which the Lords desire the concurrence of this House.

The Lords have passed a Bill, intituled An Act to amend the Markets and Fairs (Weighing of Cattle) Acts, 1887 and 1891; to which the Lords desire the concurrence of this House.

Bristol Water Bill [Lords].

The Lords have passed a Bill, intituled An Act to confer further powers upon the Bristol General Cemetery Company, and for other purposes; to which the Lords desire the concurrence of this House.

The Lords have passed a Bill, intituled An Act to amend the Markets and Fairs (Weighing of Cattle) Acts, 1887 and 1891; to which the Lords desire the concurrence of this House.

Bristol Cemetery Bill [Lords].

The Bristol Water Bill [Lords] was read the first time.

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

Bristol Cemetery Bill [Lords].

The Bristol Cemetery Bill [Lords] was read the first time.

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

Committee A. B. and D. Report. Registration Bill.

Mr. Ellis Davies reported from Standing Committee A, to whom the Births and Deaths Registration 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 Wednesday next; and be printed.

Sir Thomas Robinson reported from the Local Legislation Committee: That in the case of the Bolton 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 Vol. 181.

as passed by the Committee, and found the same, as amended, to be true; and had gone through the Bill and made Amendments thereunto.

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

Sir John Gassoni reported from the Committee Private Bills on Group A 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. Hopkins reported from the Committee Private Bills on Group B of Private Bills; That, for the convenience of parties, the Committee had adjourned till Tuesday next, at half past Eleven of the clock.

Ordered, That the Report do lie upon the Table.

Complaint made to the House by Colonel Privilege, Grotton, Member for Burton, of certain passages “Daily Mail” in the “Daily Mail” newspaper of this day, which he submitted constituted a breach of the privileges of this House, and which he read to the House as followeth:—

At the same time, the Ministers will see the depth of the plan which is being engineered by interested members of the Conservative Party to wreck the Bill.

The real opponents are a handful of Conservative M.P.’s, influential by the fact that they have sat in the House for a number of years and are directly interested in the control of electricity supply undertakings.

The opposition is being organised skilfully, however, and the names of “interested” persons are being kept largely in the background, while “Die-Hard” upholders of the rights and privileges of Parliament are being encouraged to attack the scheme as an infringement of those principles.

Ordered, That the passages complained of in the “Daily Mail” newspaper of this day be referred to the Committee of Privileges.—(Colonel Grotton.)

Ordered, That the Proceedings on the Consolidated Fund (No. 1) Bill have precedence the House this day of the Business of Supply.—(The Prime Minister.)

The House, according to Order, resolved Consolidated Fund (No. 1) Bill itself into a Committee on the Consolidated Fund (No. 1) Bill. (In the Committee.)

Clauses No. 1 to No. 4 agreed to. Bill to be reported.

Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair; and the Chairman of Ways and Means reported, That the Committee had gone through the Bill, and directed him to report the same, without Amendment.
Ordered, That the Bill be now read the third time:—The Bill was accordingly read the third time and passed.

Mr. Speaker's Certificate.

Ordered, That the Clerk do carry the Bill to the Lords, and desire their concurrence (the Bill having been endorsed by Mr. Speaker with the following Certificate:—

I hereby certify that this Bill is a Money Bill within the meaning of the Parliament Act, 1911.

JOHN HENRY WHITLEY,
Speaker).

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.

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.

The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Weights and Measures (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 Lead Paint (Protection against Poisoning) 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 Bankruptcy (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 Execution of Diligence (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 Blind Persons Bill;

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time upon Friday the 16th day of April next.

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

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

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

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Friday, 26th March 1926.

The House met at Eleven of the clock.

PRAYERS.

THE Order of the day being read, for the Bristol Corporation Bill;

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

The Order of the day being read, for the Medway Conservancy Bill;

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

The Order of the day being read, for the Pontefract Corporation Bill;

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

The Lord Advocate presented, pursuant to the Agricultural directions of an Act of Parliament,—Copy of Draft Regulations to be made by the Board of Agriculture for Scotland under the Agricultural Returns Act, 1925.

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

Sir Philip Cunliffe-Lister presented, by His Majesty's Command,—Copy of Statistical Abstract for the United Kingdom for each of the Fifteen Years from 1910-1924; Sixty-ninth Number.

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

Mr. Speaker acquainted the House, That a Message from the Lords had been brought from the Lords by one of their Clerks, as followeth:
And a Motion being made, and the Question being proposed, That the Bill be now read a second time;

An Amendment was proposed to be made to the Question, by leaving out from the word "That" to the end of the Question, and adding the words "this House, while recognising the necessity for the introduction during this Session of a Bill to consolidate and amend the laws relating to factories for the purposes of circulation and discussion in consultation with the interests affected, is of opinion that a measure of such far-reaching importance should not be introduced as a private Member's Bill"—(Captain Macmillan)—instead thereof.

And the Question being proposed, That the words proposed to be left out stand part of the Question;

And the Question being put, That the proposed words be added to the word "That" in the Main Question:—It was resolved in the Negative.

Then the Main Question, so amended, being put;

Read, That this House, while recognising the necessity for the introduction during this Session of a Bill to consolidate and amend the laws relating to factories for the purposes of circulation and discussion in consultation with the interests affected, is of opinion that a measure of such far-reaching importance should not be introduced as a private Member's Bill.

The Order of the day being read, for the Importation of Plumage (Prohibition) Act (1921) Amendment Bill;

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time upon Tuesday the 26th day of April next.

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

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

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

Read, 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;

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

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 next.

The Order of the day being read, for the Importation of Plumage (Prohibition) Act (1921) Amendment Bill;

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

The Order of the day being read, for the Lead Paint (Protection against Poisoning) Bill;

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

The Order of the day being read, for the Lead Paint (Protection against Poisoning) Bill;

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

The Order of the day being read, for the Execution of Diligence (Scotland) Bill [Lords];

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time upon Monday next.
Ordered, That Sir Lionel Foyster-Walker be discharged from the Select Committee on Nursing Homes (Registration).

Ordered, That Mr. Haslam be added to the Committee.—(Colonel Gibbs.)

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

[No. 40.]

Monday, 29th March 1926.

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, have been complied with, viz.:

Birmingham Canal Bill [Lords].
Serle Street and Cook’s Court Improvement Company Bill [Lords].
Brompton, Chatham, Gillingham, and Rochester Water Bill [Lords].
Bristol Water Bill [Lords].
Bristol Cemetery Bill [Lords].

Ordered, That the Bills be read a second time.

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

Ministry of Health Provisional Orders Bill [Lords].
Bristol Cemetery Bill [Lords].

Ordered, That the Bills be read a second time.

The House proceeded to take into consideration the London, Midland and Scottish Railway Bill, as amended in the Committee.

Ordered, That the Bill be read the third time.

The House proceeded to take into consideration the Mid-Nottinhamshire Joint Railways Bill, as amended in the Committee.

Ordered, That the Bill be read the third time.

The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Bethlem Hospital Bill, [Lords].

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time on Tuesday the 13th day of April next.
Ascot District  The Ascot District Gas and Electricity 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 passed a Bill, intituled An Act to confer further powers upon the Mayor, Aldermen, and Burgesses of the County Borough of Birkenhead to run motor omnibuses; to make further provision with reference to the finance of the Borough, and for other purposes; to which the Lords desire the concurrence of this House.

The Lords have passed a Bill, intituled An Act to confer upon the Corporation of Darwen further powers with respect to their tramway, water, gas, and electricity undertakings; to consolidate the local rates leviable in the Borough; to make better provision for the finance of the Borough, and for other purposes; to which the Lords desire the concurrence of this House.

The Lords have passed a Bill, intituled An Act to authorise the Ascot District Gas and Electricity Company to raise additional capital, and for other purposes; to which the Lords desire the concurrence of this House.

The Lords have passed a Bill, intituled An Act to amend certain enactments relating to coroners; to consolidate the Law relating to coroners; to which the Lords desire the concurrence of this House.

The Lords have passed a Bill, intituled An Act to amend the Law with respect to the drainage of agricultural land; to which the Lords desire the concurrence of this House.

The Lords have passed a Bill, intituled An Act to amend certain enactments relating to the law of property and trustees; to which the Lords desire the concurrence of this House.

The Birkenhead Corporation Bill [Lords.] was read the first time.

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

The Darwen Corporation Bill [Lords.] was read the first time.

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

The Ascot District Gas and Electricity Bill [Lords.] was read the first time.

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

Sir William Bull reported from the Select Committee on Public Petitions; That they had examined the Petitions presented upon the 4th, 18th and 24th days of February last, and the 17th and 19th days of this instant March, and had directed him to make a Report thereof to the House.

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

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The Committee recommend, in the circumstances, that the House do not take any further action in the matter.

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

Electricity (Supply) Bill.

The Order of the day being read for the Second Reading of the Electricity (Supply) 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, considering that the urgent need of the nation for a cheap and abundant supply of electricity can best be secured by the development of a publicly owned and controlled system of generation, main transmission, and distribution, cannot agree to the Second Reading of a Bill which fails to provide for the co-ordination of the production of coal and its by-products with electrical generation, creates cumbersome machinery, strengthens and extends the hold of profit-making companies over an indispensable public service, continues the limitation of monopolistic undertakings in confined and un economical areas of distribution, and affords to consumers in company areas no adequate protection against excessive charges for light and power":—(Mr. William Graham), instead thereof.

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

Ordered, That the Debate be now adjourned.

—(Mr. Balfour.)

Ordered, That the Debate be resumed 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.

Economy (Miscellaneous Provisions) Bill.

The Order of the day being read, for the Committee on the Economy (Miscellaneous Provisions) Bill;

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 to-morrow.

Merchandise Marks (Imported Goods) Bill.

The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Merchandise Marks (Imported Goods) Bill;

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

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The Order of the day being read, for the 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 Weights and Measures (Amendment) Bill [Lords];

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

The Order of the day being read, for the Lead Paint (Protection against Poisoning) Bill;

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

The Order of the day being read, for the Bankruptcy Amendment Bill [Lords];

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

The Order of the day being read, for the Execution of Diligence (Scotland) Bill [Lords];

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

Resolved, That the draft of a Special Order Gas proposed to be made by the Board of Trade under Section 10 of the Gas Regulation Act, 1920, on the application of the Midhurst Gas Company, Limited, which was presented on the 8th March and published, be approved.—(Sir Burton Chadwick.)

Resolved, That the draft of a Special Order Gas proposed to be made by the Board of Trade under Section 10 of the Gas Regulation Act, 1920, on the application of the Bedford District Gas Company, which was presented on the 18th February and published, be approved.—(Sir Burton Chadwick.)

Resolved, That the draft of a Special Order Gas proposed to be made by the Board of Trade under Section 10 of the Gas Regulation Act, 1920, on the application of the Blackheath Gas Company, which was presented on the 8th March and published, be approved.—(Sir Burton Chadwick.)

Resolved, That the draft of a Special Order Gas proposed to be made by the Board of Trade under Section 10 of the Gas Regulation Act, 1920, on the application of the Bowley Regis and Blackheath Gas Company, which was presented on the 8th March and published, be approved.—(Sir Burton Chadwick.)

Resolved, That the draft of a Special Order Gas proposed to be made by the Board of Trade under Section 10 of the Gas Regulation Act, 1920, on the application of the Midhurst Gas Company, Limited, which was presented on the 8th March and published, be approved.—(Sir Burton Chadwick.)

Resolved, That the draft of a Special Order Gas 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 West Bromwich, which was presented on the 8th March and published, be approved.—(Sir Burton Chadwick.)
Ordered, That the Bill be read the second time to-morrow.

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

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

TUESDAY, 30TH MARCH 1926.

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

P R A Y E R S.

The House proceeded to take into consideration the Doncaster Corporation 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 Bermondsey Borough Council (Street Trading) Bill, as amended in the Committee;
Ordered, That the Bill be taken into consideration upon Thursday next.

The Ministry of Health Provisional Orders (No. 1) Bill was, according to Order, read the third time and passed.

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

The Ministry of Health Provisional Orders (No. 2) Bill was, according to Order, read a second time, and committed.

Mr. Neville Chamberlain presented a Bill to Ministry of Health, Provisional Orders (No. 1) Bill.

The Ministry of Health Provisional Orders (No. 2) Bill was, according to Order, read a second time, and committed.

Mr. Neville Chamberlain presented a Bill to Ministry of Health, Provisional Orders (No. 1) Bill.

The Bill be referred to the Examiners of Petitions for Private Bills; and be printed.

Secretary Sir Samuel Hoare presented, pursuant to the directions of an Act of Parliament (Construction) Act, 1917, further amending in certain respects the Regulations annexed to His Majesty's Order of 25th July 1924, as amended by subsequent Orders, and included in a volume entitled the King's Regulations and Air Council Instructions for the Royal Air Force. 
Ordered, That the said Paper do lie upon the Table.

Lord Eustace Percy presented, pursuant to the directions of an Act of Parliament, the University of Cambridge bridge Commissioners wholly for the University Acts of Cambridge.
Ordered, That the said Paper do lie upon the Table.

Secretary Sir William Joynson-Hicks presented, by His Majesty's Command,—Copy of Thirty-seventh Annual Report of the Railway and Canal Commission, with Appendix, for the year 1926.

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

Mr. M'Neill presented, by His Majesty's Command,—Copy of Special Report by the Electricity Special Order, 1926.

Mr. M'Neill also presented, pursuant to the directions of an Act of Parliament,—Abstract Account of Receipts and Payments of the Crown for the year ended 31st March 1925.

Mr. M'Neill also presented, pursuant to the Resolution of the House of the 4th day of March 1879,—Copy of Treasury Minute, dated No. 56.

Mr. M'Neill also presented, pursuant to the directions of several Acts of Parliament,—Canals.

Mr. M'Neill also presented, pursuant to the directions of an Act of Parliament,—Schedule of Fees to be taken under various Acts, approved by the Minister of Agriculture and Fisheries and by the Treasury.

Mr. M'Neill also presented, pursuant to the directions of an Act of Parliament,—Abstract Account of Receipts and Payments of the Treasury Solicitor, in the year 1925, in the Administration of Estates on behalf of the Crown, and Alphabetical List of Intestates' Estates in respect of which Letters of Administration were granted to the Treasury Solicitor as Crown's Nominee, and of other cases (partial intestacies, &c.) in which accounts were opened in the books of the Treasury Solicitor in the same year in respect of moneys received by him as Crown's Nominee.

Ordered, That the said Paper do lie upon the Table; and that the Paper relative to Public Accounts (Air Votes, 1925-26) be printed.

Mr. Guinness presented, pursuant to the directions of an Act of Parliament,—Copy of Schedule of Fees to be taken under various Acts, approved by the Minister of Agriculture and Fisheries and by the Treasury.

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

Secretary Sir Laming Worthington-Evans presented, by His Majesty's Command,—Copy of Sixth Annual Report of the Imperial War Graves Commission.

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

Colonel Ashley presented, by His Majesty's Command,—Copy of Special Report by the Electricity Commissioners, under Section 1 of the Electric Lighting Act, 1888, dispensing with the consent of the Hailsham Rural District Council in the case of the East Anglian Electricity Special Order, 1926.

Colonel Ashley also presented, pursuant to the directions of several Acts of Parliament,—Copies of Fifth Annual Reports of the Minister of Transport upon the Caledonian and Crinan Canals for the year ended 31st March 1925.

Copy of Provisional Regulations, dated 29th March 1926, made by the Minister of Transport under the London Traffic Act, 1924, entitled the London Traffic (Restricted Streets) (Uxbridge Road) Provisional Regulations, 1926.

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

Sir Thomas Robinson reported from the Local Legislation Committee; That in the case of the Hackney Borough Council Bill they had examined the allegations contained in the Preamble of the Bill, and amended the same so as to make it consistent with the provisions of the Bill as passed by the Committee, and found the same, as amended, to be true; and had gone through the Bill and made Amendments thereunto.

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

Mr. William Nicholson reported from the Selection Committee of Selection of Committee of Selection; That they had added the following Fifteen Members to Standing Committee A (in respect of the Roman Catholic Relief Bill):—Major Burghall, Mr. Blundell, Captain Bruse, Mr. Comyns, Sir Parkinson, Sir Nicholas Grattan Doyle, Captain Hacking, Mr. Dennis Herbert, Captain Arthur Hope, Mr. John Jones, Lieutenant-Commander Lenneworthy, Mr. Russell, Mr. Sexton, Sir Henry Slesser, and Lord Colun O'Conor-Stuart.

Mr. William Nicholson further reported from Standing Committee B:—Mr. Harry Williams, Mr. Geoffrey Potto, Mr. Preston, Mr. Remer, Sir James Bernatt, Mr. Sour, Mr. William Thorne, and Mr. Kingsley Wood.

Mr. William Nicholson further reported from Standing Committee C:—That they had nominated the following Fifteen Members to Standing Committee D (in respect of the Local Authorities (Emergency Provisions) Bill):—Mr. Sandeman Allen, Colonel Aylott, Mr. Neville Chamberlain, Mr. Gales, Mr. Harris, Mr. Lansbury, Mr. March, Mr. Hugh Morrison, Mr. Geoffrey Peto, Mr. Preston, Mr. Remer, Sir James Bernatt, Mr. Sour, Mr. William Thorne, and Sir Kingsley Wood.

Mr. William Nicholson further reported from Standing Committee D:—That they had nominated the following Fifteen Members to Standing Committee E:—Mr. Alan Aspin, Mr. David Bryant, Mr. O'Connell, Sir Henry Cowen, Brigadier-General Sir Henry Page Croft, Mr. Evan Davies, Mr. Dennis, Major Edmundson, Mr. Fielden, Major Ogl, Mr. Robert Gower, Mr. Hardie, the Marquess of Hertoght, Sir Sidney Hazzard, Colonel Holt, Captain Arthur Hope, Mr. Austin Hopkinson, Sir George Hume, Mr. Mary Jones, Mr. Kelly, Mr. Laker, Sir Mervyn Macdonald-Baillie, Mr. Robert Morrison, Sir Frank Nelson, Sir Douglas Newton, Sir Cooper Rayson, Mr. Taylor, Colonel Lambert Ward, Mr. Wiggins, and Mr. Thomas Williams.

Ordered, That the Reports do lie upon the Table.

The Order for taking into consideration, the Births and Deaths Registration Bill, as amended in the Standing Committee, was read, and discharged.

Ordered, That the Bill be taken into consideration upon Friday the 11th day of June next.

The Coroners (Amendment) Bill [Lords] was read the first time, and ordered to be read a second time on Thursday next; and to be printed.
The Markets and Fairs (Weighing of Cattle) Bill [Lords] was read the first time, and ordered to be read a second time upon Thursday next; and to be printed.

The Law of Property (Amendment) Bill [Lords] was read the first time, and ordered to be read a second time upon Thursday next; and to be printed.

The Order of the day being read, for resuming the adjourned Debate on the Amendment which related to Business of the House (Procedure) to be read a second time upon Thursday next; and to be printed.

The Order of the day being read, for resuming the adjourned Debate on the Question proposed to be made to the Question, That the Electricity (Supply) 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, considering that the urgent need of the nation for a cheap and abundant supply of electricity can best be secured by the development of a publicly owned and controlled system of generation, main transmission, and distribution, cannot agree to the Second Reading of a Bill which fails to provide for the co-ordination of the production of coal and its by-products with electrical generation, creates cumbrous machinery, strengthens and extends the hold of monopolies over an indispensable commodity, and adding the words "while anxious to promote by any means in its power the wider diffusion of capital, declines to support a Motion which, if effectual, would tend to impoverish the community—(Sir John Marriott), instead thereof.

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

And it being after Eleven of the clock, the House divided.

The Order of the day being read, for resuming the adjourned Debate on the Question proposed to be made to the Question, That the Rating of Town Tenants Bill be now read a second time;

Ordered, That the Debate be further adjourned till Wednesday the 14th day of April next.

The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Protection of Animals (Prevention of Cruelty) 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 Rating of Land Values Bill;

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time to-morrow.
Burgh Registers (Scotland) Bill.

The House was Moved, That Standing Order No. 18 (Order in Debate) of 28th February 1880, 22nd November 1882, 7th March 1901, and 17th February 1902 might be read; And the same was read as followeth:

(1) Whenever any Member shall have been named by the Speaker, or by the Chairman of a Committee of the whole House, immediately after the commission of the offence of disregarding the Authority of the Chair, or of abusing the Rules of the House by persistently and willfully obstructing the Business of the House, or otherwise, then, if the offence has been committed by such Member in the House, the Speaker shall forthwith put the Question, on a Motion being made, no Amendment, Adjournment, or Debate being allowed. "That such Member be suspended from the service of the House"; and, if the offence has been committed in a Committee of the whole House, the Chairman shall forthwith suspend the proceedings of the Committee and report the circumstance to the House; and the Speaker shall on a Motion being made therein put the same Question, without Amendment, Adjournment, or Debate, as if the offence had been committed in the House itself.

(2) If any Member be suspended under this Order, his suspension on the first occasion.

(3) Provided always, that suspension from the service of the House shall not exempt the Member so suspended from serving on any Committee for the consideration of a Private Bill to which he may have been appointed before his suspension.

(4) Provided also, that not more than one Member shall be named at the same time, unless several Members, present together, have jointly disregarded the authority of the Chair.

(5) Provided also, that if any Member, or Members acting jointly, who have been suspended under this Order from the service of the House, shall refuse to obey the direction of the Speaker, when severally summoned under the Speaker's Orders by the Serjeant-at-arms to obey such direction, the Speaker shall call the attention of the House to the fact that recourse to force is necessary in order to compel obedience to his Direction, and the Member or Members named by him as having refused to obey his Direction shall thereupon and without further Question put, be suspended from the service of the House during the remainder of the Session.

(6) Provided always, that nothing in this Resolution shall be taken to deprive the House of the power of proceeding against any Member according to ancient usages.

An Amendment was proposed to be made thereto, in para. (2), 1. 2, by inserting, after the word "occasion," the words "shall continue until the fifth day, and on the second occasion until the twentieth day, on which the House shall sit after the day on which he was suspended, but on any subsequent occasion until the House shall resolve that the suspension of such Member do terminate."—(The Prime Minister.)

And the Question being proposed, That those words be there inserted in the Standing Order:

An Amendment was proposed to be made to the proposed Amendment. In 1. 1, by leaving out the words "fifth day, and on the second occasion until the."—(Mr. Balfour.)

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 Question being put, That those words be there inserted in the Standing Order:

It was resolved in the Affirmative.

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

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

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

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

The Order of the day being read, for the Police:

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

The Order of the day being read, for the Army and Air Force:

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time to-morrow.
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The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Lead Paint (Protection against Poisoning) Bill;
Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time to-morrow.

Bankruptcy (Amendment) Bill [Lords].

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

Execution of Diligence (Scotland) Bill [Lords].

The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Execution of Diligence (Scotland) Bill [Lords];
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 five minutes before Twelve of the clock, till to-morrow.

[No. 42.]

Wednesday, 31st March 1926.

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

PRAYERS.

Dunfermline and District Tramways (Extensions) Order Confirmation Bill.

Colonel Sir John Gilmour presented a Bill to confirm a Provisional Order under the Private Legislation Procedure (Scotland) Act, 1899, relating to Dunfermline and District Tramways: And the same was ordered (under Section 7 of the Act) to be taken into consideration to-morrow.

National Health Insurance (Scotland) Bill [Lords].

Captain Elliot presented, pursuant to the directions of an Act of Parliament,—Copies of Regulations made by the Scottish Board of Health, dated 9th March 1926, entitled—
(1) the National Health Insurance (Unclaimed Proceeds of Stamp Sales) Regulations (Scotland), 1926;
(2) the National Health Insurance (Index Clearance Committee) Regulations (Scotland), 1925.
Ordered, That the said Paper do lie upon the Table.

Mr. Neville Chamberlain presented, pursuant to the directions of an Act of Parliament,—Copy of Regulations, dated 29th March 1926, made by the Minister of Health, entitled the National Health Insurance (Insurance Committees) Amendment Regulations, 1926.
Ordered, That the said Paper do lie upon the Table.

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Mr. M'Neil presented, pursuant to the Public Resolution of the House of the 4th day of March 1879,—Copy of Treasury Minute, dated 1925-26.) 30th March 1926, under Section 4 of the Appropriation Act, 1925, authorising the temporary application of Surpluses on certain Navy Votes for the year 1925-26 to meet Excesses on other Navy Votes for the same year.

Mr. M'Neil also presented, pursuant to the Government directions of an Act of Parliament,—Account of all Moneys received on account of Contracts for the grant of deferred Life Annuities and for the convenience of parties, the Committee had directed him to make a Report thereof, together with the Minutes of the Evidence taken before them.

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

The following Papers, pursuant to the directions of several Acts of Parliament, were laid upon the Table by the Clerk of the House—
Copy of Additional Rules made by the Lord Chancellor under the Clergy Discipline Act, 1892.

Copy of the Benefices Rules, 1926.

Colonel Henderson reported from the Select Committee on Estimates: That they had made Progress in the matters to them referred, and directed him to make a Report thereof, together with the Minutes of the Evidence taken before them.

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

Ordered, That the Shops (Hours of Employment) Bill be read a second time upon Friday next, the 16th day of April next.

Sir John Ganzoni reported from the Committee on Group A of Private Bills; That, for the convenience of parties, the Committee had adjourned till Wednesday, 14th April, at half-past Eleven of the clock.

Ordered, That the Report do lie upon the Table.

Mr. William Nicholson reported from the Select Committee of Selection; That they had discharged the following Member from Standing Committee A (added in respect of the Midwives Committee A. and Maternity Homes Bill) —Mr. Grace; and had appointed in substitution: Major Kennedy-Sneyd.

Ordered, That the Report do lie upon the Table.

Mr. Hopkins reported the Metropolitan Railway Bill, with Amendments.
Ordered, That the Report do lie upon the Table; and be printed.

Dr. Silk, supported by Sir Frank Sanderson, Protection of Animals Act 1911 Bill; Amendment Bill. Philip Dawson, Mr. Wragg, Mr. Trevelyan Bill 81.
Thomas, Mr. Morgan Jones, and Sir Philip Richardson, 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 13th day of April next; and to be printed.

A Motion was made, and the Question being put, That the Proceedings on the Economy (Miscellaneous Provisions) Bill be exempted at this day's Sitting, from the provisions of the Standing Order (Sittings of the House), and that, notwithstanding anything in Standing Order No. 8, Private Business set down for consideration at a quarter-past Eight of the clock this evening, by direction of the Chairman of Ways and Means, may be taken after half-past Nine of the clock.—(The Prime Minister):

The House divided.

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Tellers for the

Commander Eyres

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Colonel Gibbs:

Mr. Warne,

Mr. Thomas Hender, son:

So it was resolved in the Affirmative.

The House, according to Order, resolved itself into a Committee on the Economy (Miscellaneous Provisions) Bill.

Clause No. 1 (Amendment as to proportion of contributions payable respectively by insured persons and employees and by the Treasury).

Motion made, and Question proposed, That the Clause be postponed.—(Mr. Harrey):

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

The Committee divided.

Tellers for the

Mr. Charles Edwards:

Mr. Warne:

Tellers for the

Major Cope,

Captain Margesson:

Original Question again proposed:—Debate arising:

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

The Committee divided.

Tellers for the

Major Hennessy,

Captain Viscount Curzon:

Mr. Charles Edwards:

Mr. Warne:

Question put accordingly, That the Clause be postponed.

The Committee divided.

Tellers for the

Sir Godfrey Collins:

Yes, Sir Robert Hutchison:

Major Cope:

Noes, Major Hennessy:

Amendment proposed, in p. 1, l. 8, at the beginning, to insert the words "As from the appointed day."—(Mr. James Henry Thomas.)

Question proposed, That those words be there inserted;

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 Medway Conservancy Bill was, according Medway to Order, read a second time, and committed. A Motion was 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."—(Lieutenant-Commander Kenworthy.)

And the Question being proposed, That the word "now" stand part of the Question:—The said proposed Amendment was, with leave of the House, withdrawn.

And the Main Question being put;

Ordered, That the Bill be now read a second time:—The Bill was accordingly read a second time, and committted.

The Order of the day being read, for the Asylum Officers' Superannuation 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."—(Lieutenant-Commander Kenworthy.)

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And the Main Question being put;

Ordered, That the Bill be now read a second time:—The Bill was accordingly read a second time, and committed.

The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Asylum Officers' Superannuation (Amendment) Bill;

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time upon Tuesday the 13th day of April next.

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

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time upon Friday the 16th day of April next.

The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Rating of Land Values Bill;

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time upon Tuesday the 13th day of April next.

The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Rating of Land Values 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;
Lieutenant-Commander Keenworthy 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 Eleven of the clock, the Debate stood adjourned.

Ordered, That the Debate be resumed upon Tuesday the 19th day of April next.

Postponed Proceeding on Amendment proposed on consideration of Clause No. 1 resumed.

Question again proposed, That those words be there inserted:—Debate arising;

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Mr. Neville 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 'Mr. Frederick Thoms'Connor, Captain Bowyer': 196.
Tellers for the 'Lord Stanley': 200.

Question put, That the words proposed to be left out, to the word "twenty-six," in p. 1, l. 13, stand part of the Clause:—Debate arising;

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

The Committee divided.

Tellers for the 'Mr. Frederick Thoms'Connor, Captain Bowyer': 193.
Tellers for the 'Mr. Parkinson, Mr. Warne': 114.

Question put accordingly, That those words be there inserted:—Debate arising;

The Committee divided.

Tellers for the 'Mr. Parkinson, Mr. Warne': 115.
Tellers for the 'Mr. Charles Edwards, Mr. Haynes': 116.

Another Amendment proposed, in p. 1, l. 11, to leave out the word "shall" to the end of the subsection, in order to insert the words "have effect as from the fifth day of July, nineteen hundred and twenty-six, as if the following words were added at the end of the section except in the case of additional benefits when the whole cost of such additional benefits and the expenses of the administration of such additional benefits shall be derived from the surplus which is certified by the valuer to be disposable in the manner provided in this Act."—(Mr. Blundell.)

Question proposed, That the words proposed to be left out, to the word "twenty-six," in l. 13, stand part of the Clause:

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

The Committee divided.

Tellers for the 'Mr. Parkinson, Mr. Haynes': 119.
Tellers for the 'Mr. Charles Edwards, Mr. Thoms'Connor': 190.

Motion made, and Question proposed, That the Chairman do report Progress; and ask leave to sit again.—(Mr. James Henry Thomas):

Debate arising;
Mr. Neville Chamberlain rose in his place and claimed to move, That the Question be now put. The Committee divided.

Tellers for the \\
Mr. Nevile Chamberlain: Yea, 106.
Tellers for the \\
Mr. Watts: No, 106.

Question put accordingly, That the Chairman do report Progress; and ask leave to sit again.

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Tellers for the \\
Mr. Watts: No, 106.

Question put accordingly, That the Chairman do report Progress; and ask leave to sit again.
The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Bankruptcy (Amendment) Bill [Lords];
Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time upon Tuesday the 13th day of this instant April.

The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Execution of Diligence (Scotland) Bill [Lords];
Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time upon Tuesday the 13th day of this instant April.

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

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[No. 43.]

Thursday, 1st April 1926.

The House met at Eleven 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.:

- Marriages Provisional Order Bill.

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time upon Tuesday the 13th day of this instant April.

The Chosen Syndicate 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 London, Midland, and Scottish Railway Bill was 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 Mid-Nottinghamshire Joint Railways 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 Bermondsey Borough Council (Street Trading) Bill, as amended in the Committee;
Ordered, That the Bill be taken into consideration upon Tuesday the 13th day of this instant April.

The Order of the day being read, for the Pontefract Second Reading of the Pontefract Corporation Bill;
Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time upon Tuesday the 13th day of this instant April.

The House, according to Order, proceeded to Dunfermline and District Tramways (Extensions) Order Confirmation Bill;
Ordered, That the Bill be read the third time upon Tuesday the 13th day of this instant April.

Mr. McNeill presented, by His Majesty's Gold Coast Command,—Copy of Treasury Minute, dated 10th March 1926, relative to the Gold Coast War Contribution.

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

Resolved, That this House, at its rising this Adjournment day, do adjourn until Tuesday 13th April,— (Pass.) (The Prime Minister.)

Resolved, That this House do now adjourn,— Adjournment. (Commander Eyres-Monsell.)

And accordingly the House, having continued to sit till six minutes after Four of the clock, adjourned till Tuesday the 13th day of this instant April, pursuant to the Resolution of the House of this day.

[No. 44.]

Tuesday, 13th April 1926.

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

PRAYERS.

THE Doncaster Corporation Bill was read the third time and passed.

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

Ordered, That the Bolton Corporation Bill, Bolton Corporation Bill, as amended in the Committee, be taken into consideration upon Monday next.
The House proceeded to take into consideration the Great Western Railway Bill, as amended in the Committee.

Ordered, That the Bill be read the third time.

The House proceeded to take into consideration the Hackney Borough Council Bill, as amended in the Committee.

Ordered, That the Bill be read the third time.

The Birmingham Canal Bill [Lords] was read a second time upon Thursday next.

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The Bristol Cemetery Bill [Lords] was read a second time, and committed.

The Bristol Water Bill [Lords] was read a second time, and committed.

The Brompton, Chatham, Gillingham, and Rochester Water Bill [Lords] was read a second time, and committed.

The Serle Street and Cook's Court Improvement Company Bill [Lords] was read a second time, and committed.

The Order of the day being read, for taking into consideration the Bermondsey Borough Council (Street Trading) 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 the Second Reading of the Bethlem Hospital Bill [Lords].

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time upon Monday the 10th day of May next.

The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Pontefract Corporation Bill.

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

The Dunfermline and District Tramways (Extension) Order Confirmation Bill was, according to Order, read the third time and passed.

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

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

Colonel Ashley presented, pursuant to the directions of an Act of Parliament—Copies of Provisional Regulations, dated 31st March 1926, made by the Minister of Transport under the London Traffic Act, 1924, and entitled—

(1) The London Traffic (Restricted Streets) (Barking Road) Provisional Regulations, 1926;

(2) the London Traffic (Restricted Streets) (Romford Road) Provisional Regulations, 1926; and

(3) the London Traffic (Restricted Streets) (Horn Lane, Acton) Provisional Regulations, 1926.

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

Mr. Gueswar presented, pursuant to the Directions of an Act of Parliament—Copies of Instruments to be Inserted in Four Previous Orders:—

(1) dated 27th March 1926, ordering additional provision as to approved killing instruments to be inserted in four previous Orders; and

(2) dated 29th March 1926, amending Order No. 4,188, dated 9th March 1926, as if for the date 30th April 1926 there were substituted the date 31st July 1926.

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

Colonel Lase-Fox presented, by His Majesty's Command.—Copy of Report on the Census of Department, and circumstances attending, the Shaft Accident which occurred at the No. 2 Shaft, Thorne Colliery, Thorne, Yorkshire, on 19th March 1926, by Major H. M. Hudspeth, u.c.o., m.c. His Majesty's Divisional Inspector of Mines.

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 7th April 1926, entitled the Glasgow Boundaries Minute, 1926.

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

Secretary Sir William Joynson-Hicks presented, by His Majesty's Command.—Copy of Seventy-third Report of the Charity Commissioners for England and Wales, 1925.

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


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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:

Urban District of Fleetwood;
Urban District of Wood Green (with Amendment).

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

Mr. Attorney General presented, pursuant to the Direction of a Standing Order 175—Copy of Report of the Corporation Bill.
Mr. Neville Chamberlain presented, pursuant to the directions of several Acts of Parliament, to the Committee:—Copies of Amendment of Rules by the General Nursing Council for England and Wales under the Nurses Registration Act, 1919.

Copies of Provisional Regulations entitled:—Contributionary Pensions

(1) the Contributory Pensions (Residential (Regulations) Qualifications) Amendment Regulations, 1926, dated 13th March 1926; and

(2) the Contributory Pensions (Appropriation in Aid) Regulations, 1926, dated 30th March 1926.

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

The Prime Minister, by His Majesty's Economy Command, acquainted the House that His Majesty, having been informed of the matter of the Motion relating to Economy (Money.) (Miscellaneous Provisions) (Money), proposed to be moved, under Standing Order No. 71a, in Committee of the whole House, recommends it to the consideration of the House.

Then the House, pursuant to Standing Order No. 71a, resolved itself into Committee.

[In the Committee.] Motion made, and Question proposed, That for the purposes of any Act of the present Session to make provision for reducing in respect of certain services the charges on public funds and for increasing, by means of the payment into the Exchequer of certain sums and otherwise, the funds available for meeting such charges, and to amend accordingly the Law relating to national health insurance and certain other matters and for purposes related or incidental thereto, it is expedient to amend section fifty-nine of the National Health Insurance Act, 1924, by repealing the words "other than additional benefits" in paragraph (e) of subsection (1) thereof and to authorise the payment out of moneys provided by Parliament of such additional sums as may be required for the purpose of deterring the proper proportion of the costs of any additional benefits to which men of the forces may under the said Act become entitled out of the Navy, Army, and Air Force Insurance Fund—

(Mr. M'Neill) —Debate arising.

Secretary Sir Lawson Worthington-Evans 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 Standing Order No. 71a.)—The Committee divided. (pursuant to S.O. Closure.)

Tellers for the Yeas, [Captain Bowyer :]

Mr. Parkinson ;

Mr. Thomas Henderson ;

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Question put accordingly, and agreed to. Resolution to be reported.

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

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

The Land Drainage Bill [Lords] was read the first time, and ordered to be read a second time to-morrow; and to be printed.

Bill 82.

Mr. M'Neill presented, pursuant to the directions of several Acts of Parliament,—Copy of Report of the Attorney General on the Guilford Corporation Bill. Ordered, That the Reports be referred to the Committees on the Bills.


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

East India (Constitutional Reforms.) Earl Winterton presented, pursuant to the directions of an Act of Parliament,—Copy of Amendments of the Legislative Assembly Electoral Rules, and of the Bengal Electoral Rules made by the Governor General in Council, with the sanction of the Secretary of State in Council, under Section 64 and Section 72a respectively, read with Section 129a of the Government of India Act.

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

Trade Boards Acts. Sir Arthur Steel-Maitland presented, pursuant to the directions of several Acts of Parliament,—Copy of Regulations, dated 1st April 1926, made under Section 18 of the Trade Boards Act, 1909, amending the Regulations as to the mode of giving notice of matters of which notice has to be given under the Trade Boards Acts.

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


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Wages and Effects of Dismissed Seamen. Sir Philip Cunliffe-Lister presented, pursuant to the directions of an Act of Parliament,—Copy of Account of the Sums received and paid by the Board of Trade in respect of the Wages and Effects of Dismissed Seamen from 1st April 1924 to 31st March 1925.

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

Egyptian Guaranteed Loan of 1885. Mr. M'Neill presented, pursuant to the directions of several Acts of Parliament,—Account of the Egyptian Guaranteed Loan of 1885 up to 31st March 1926.

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

Greek Loan of 1898. Account of the Greek Loan of 1898 up to 31st March 1926.

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

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

The House, according to Order, resolved itself into a Committee on the Economy (Miscellaneous Provisions) Bill.

(In the Committee.)

Clause No. 2 (Amendment of s. 83 of principal Act).

Amendment proposed, in p. 2, l. 26, to leave out from the word "committee," to the word "a," in l. 28.—(Mr. Rhys Davies.)

Question proposed, That the words proposed to be left out stand part of the Clause:—Debate arising;

Mr. James Henry Thomas moved, That the Chairman declines to propose the Question (under the Rules of the House, declined to propose the Question thereupon to the Committee.

Sir Kingsley Wood rose in his place and claimed to move, That the Question be now put.

Question put, That the Question be now put. Question put.

The Committee divided.

Tellers for the Mr. Frederick Thorne:
Yea, Sir Harry Barnston : 231.
Tellers for the Mr. Godfrey Collins, J
Noes, Mr. Benjamin Smith : 142.

2. Resolved, That in the event of the constitution of an account to be called the "Bankruptcy and Companies' Winding-up (Fees) Account"—:

(a) The Treasury shall be empowered in each financial year to pay into the Exchequer out of the moneys standing to the credit of that Account a sum equal to the amount which in the last preceding financial year fell to be defrayed out of any Votes of Parliament, other than Votes for the Board of Trade, in respect of salaries and expenses under the Bankruptcy Act, 1914, or under the Companies (Consolidation) Act, 1908, in relation to the winding-up of companies in England;

(b) There shall be paid out of the said Account into the Exchequer—

(i) as soon as may be after the passing of an Act giving effect to this Resolution, an amount equal to the sums transferred to the said Account from the accounts to which there have respectively been paid the bankruptcy investments dividends, the bankruptcy fees, the companies investments dividends, and the companies winding-up fees, less a sum of one hundred thousand pounds; and

(ii) thereafter, the amount standing to the credit of the said Account on the thirty-first day of March in each financial year, less an amount equal to one-third of the aggregate amount issued out of the said Account in that year for the purpose of meeting the charges in respect of salaries and expenses under the Bankruptcy Act, 1914, or under the Companies (Consolidation) Act, 1908, in relation to the winding-up of companies in England.—(Sir Burton Chadwick.)

Question put accordingly, That the words proposed to be left out stand part of the Clause:—Debate arising;

Mr. Neville 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.

The Committee divided.

Tellers for the Mr. Frederick Thorne:
Yea, Sir Harry Barnston : 208.
Tellers for the Mr. Godfrey Collins, J
Noes, Mr. Benjamin Smith : 140.

Another Amendment proposed, in p. 2, l. 41, to leave out the word "threepence," in order to insert the words "one penny."—(Sir Robert Hamilton.)

Question proposed, That the word "threepence" stand part of the Clause:—Debate arising;

Mr. Neville 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.

The Committee divided.

Tellers for the Captain Margesson, Yeas, Captain Bouger : 221.
Tellers for the Sir Godfrey Collins, Noes, Sir Robert Hutchison : 139.

Question put accordingly, That the word "threepence" stand part of the Clause:—Debate arising;

Mr. Neville 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.

The Committee divided.

Tellers for the Captain Margesson, Yeas, Captain Bouger : 220.

Another Amendment proposed, in p. 3, l. 35, to leave out the word "twenty-seven," in order to insert the word "twenty-eight."—(Mr. Mackinder.)
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Question proposed, That the word "twenty-seven" stand part of the Clause;

And it being Eleven of the clock, the Chairman left the Chair to make his Report to the House.

Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair; and the Chairman of Ways and Means reported that the Committee had made Progress in the Bill, and that he was directed to move, That the Committee may have leave to sit again.

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

Supply

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

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

Police

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.

Merchandise

The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Merchandise Marks (Imported Goods) Bill;

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

Army and Air Force

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.

Weights and Measures

The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Weights and Measures (Amendment) Bill [Lords];

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

Lead Paint

The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Lead Paint (Protection against Poisoning) Bill;

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

Bankruptcy

The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Bankruptcy (Amendment) Bill [Lords];

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

Execution of Diligence

The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Execution of Diligence (Scotland) Bill [Lords];

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

Coroners

The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Coroners (Amendment) Bill [Lords];

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

Markets and Weights 

The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Markets and Weights (Weighing of Cattle) 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 Law of Property (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 Marriage (Prohibited Degrees of Relationship) 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 Works of Art and Antiquities (Prohibition of Removal) 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 Monevenders 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 Rear Reflectors on Cycles 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 Protection of Animals Act (1911) Amendment Bill;

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

The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Asylums Officers' Superannuation (Amendment) Bill;

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

The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Protection of Animals 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 31st day of March last, That the Rating of Land Values 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 Adjournment proposed, That this House do now adjourn.—(Commander Eyres-Monopol);

And it being half an hour after Eleven of the clock, Mr. Speaker adjourned the House without Question put, pursuant to the Standing Order.
Wednesday, 14th April 1926.

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

PRAYERS.

Mr. Neville Chamberlain presented a Bill to confirm certain Provisional Orders of the Minister of Health relating to Brighton, East Barnet Valley, Keighley, Keswick, Lichfield, and Rotherham: 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. Attorney General presented, pursuant to Standing Order 175a,—Copy of Report of the Attorney General on the Bristol Corporation Bill.

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

Sir Philip Cunliffe-Lister presented, pursuant to the directions of an Act of Parliament,—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 Brentwood Gas Company.

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

Colonel Ashley presented, by His Majesty's Command,—Copy of Special Report by the Electricity Commissioners, under Section 1 of the Electric Lighting Act, 1888, dispensing with the consent of the Hawarden Rural District Council.

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

Mr. Secretary Amery presented, by His Majesty's Command,—Copy of Correspondence with the Government of Kenya relating to Lord Delamere's acquisition of land in Kenya.

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

Major-General Sir Newton Moore reported from the Select Committee on the Imperial War Graves Endowment Fund 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 taken Evidence therein which they had directed him to report to the House; and had gone through the Bill and made Amendments thereunto.

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

Ordered, That the Bill, as amended in the Select Committee, be re-committed to a Committee of the whole House for Monday next; and be printed.

The Order for reading a second time, Monday to-morrow, the Moveable Dwellings Bill, was withdrawn.

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

Sir William Mitchell-Thomson, supported by Post Office Viscounct Wolmer, presented a Bill to enable the Minister of Health to acquire lands in Blackpool, Swansea, and Dursley for the public service, and for other purposes: 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 Economy (Miscellaneous Provisions) Bill be exempted, at this day's Sitting, from the provisions of the Standing Order (Sittings of the House) —(The Prime Minister):—

The House divided:

The Yeas to the Right;

The Noes to the Left.

Tellers for the Yeas, 265.

Tellers for the Noes, 128.

So it was resolved in the Affirmative.

Captain Hacking reported from the Committee on Economy (Miscellaneous Provisions) [Money], a Resolution; which was read, and agreed to as follows:

That for the purposes of any Act of the present Session to make provision for reducing in respect of certain services the charges on public funds and for increasing, by means of the payment into the Exchequer of certain sums and otherwise, the funds available for meeting such charges, and to amend accordingly the Law relating to national health insurance and certain other matters and for purposes related or incidental thereto, it is expedient to amend section fifty-nine of the National Health Insurance Act, 1924, by repealing the words "other than additional benefits" in paragraph (e) of subsection (1) thereof and to authorise the payment out of moneys provided by Parliament of such additional sums as may be required for the purpose of defraying the proper proportion of the costs of any additional benefits to which men of the forces may under the said Act become entitled out of the Navy, Army, and Air Force Insurance Fund.

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;

Mr. Harris 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.

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;

Mr. Speaker declined to propose the Question thereupon to the House.

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;

Mr. Speaker declined to propose the Question thereupon to the House.

Mr. Speaker declared the Question to be now put.
The House divided. The Yeas to the Right; The Noes to the Left. Tellers for the [Major Hennessy, Yeas, 244. Captain Bowyer: ] Tellers for the [Mr. Charles Edwards, Noes, 144. Mr. Barnes: ]

So it was resolved in the Affirmative.

And the Question being accordingly put, That this House doth agree with the Committee in the said Resolution:—It was resolved in the Affirmative.

Major Hennessy reported from the Committee of Ways and Means of the 13th day of this instant April, several Resolutions; which were read, as follow:

1. That the sum of one million one hundred thousand pounds shall be transferred to the Exchequer from the Navy, Army, and Air Force Insurance Fund.

2. That in the event of the constitution of a Bankruptcy and Companies' Winding-up (Fees) Account:—

(a) The Treasury shall be empowered in each financial year to pay into the Exchequer out of the moneys standing to the credit of that Account a sum equal to the amount which in the last preceding financial year fell to be defrayed out of any Votes of Parliament, other than Votes for the Board of Trade, in respect of salaries and expenses under the Bankruptcy Act, 1914, or under the Companies (Consolidation) Act, 1908, in relation to the winding-up of companies in England;

(b) There shall be paid out of the said Account into the Exchequer—

(i) as soon as may be after the passing of an Act giving effect to this Resolution, an amount equal to the sums transferred to the said Account from the accounts to which there have respectively been paid the bankruptcy investments dividends, the bankruptcy fees, the companies investments dividends, and the companies winding-up fees, less a sum of one hundred thousand pounds; and

(ii) thereafter, the amount standing to the credit of the said Account on the thirty-first day of March in each financial year, less an amount equal to one-third of the aggregate amount issued out of the said Account in that year for the purpose of meeting the charges in respect of salaries and expenses under the Bankruptcy Act, 1914, or under the Companies (Consolidation) Act, 1908, in relation to the winding-up of companies in England.

The First 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;

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Sir Henry Ousey rose in his place and claimed to move, That the Question be now put; but Mr. Speaker withheld his assent, as he thought that the House was willing to come to a decision without that Motion — then the House resumed the Debate.

And the Question being put:—

Resolved, That, in the opinion of this House, the Civil Service has merited the gratitude of the nation, but that its continued efficiency depends upon the control of that Service by His Majesty's Ministers responsible to this House, upon the strict maintenance of its constitutional position as a subordinate branch of administration, and upon the continuance of those conditions by which it has been animated in the past.

Protectors of Animals (Miscellaneous Provisions) Bill.

The Order of the day being read, for resuming the adjourned Debate on the Question proposed upon the 19th day of February last, That the Town Tenants Bill be now read a second time:

Ordered, That the Debate be further adjourned till Wednesday next.

Protection of Animals Act (1911) Amendment Bill;

The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Protection of Animals Act (1911) Amendment Bill:

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

Protection of Animals Bill;

The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Protection of Animals Bill:

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

Economy (Miscellaneous Provisions) Bill.

Postponed Proceeding on Clause No. 2 (Amendment of s. 83 of principal Act) resumed. Question proposed, That the Clause stand part of the Bill:—Debate arising;

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Mr. Neville 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 Yeas, (Mr. Warne:)

Mr. Warne;

Mr. Frederick Thomson;

Capt. Bowyer;

Mr. Charles Edwards;

Mr. Warne:

Mr. Warne:

Tellers for the Noes, 

Question put accordingly, That those words be there inserted.

The Committee divided.

Tellers for the Yeas, (Capt. Bowyer:)

Mr. Warne;

Mr. Charles Edwards;

Mr. Warne:

Mr. Warne:

Tellers for the Noes, 

Question put accordingly, That the Clause stand part of the Bill:—Amendment, by the words "shall,"—

Clause No. 3 (Application of Reserve Suspense Fund and Central Fund towards making good deficiencies due to provisions of this Part of this Act.)

Mr. Neville 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 Yeas, (Lord Stanley:)

Lord Stanley;

Capt. Bowyer;

Mr. Warne;

Mr. Warne:

Tellers for the Noes, 

Question put accordingly, That the Clause stand part of the Bill:—Debate arising;

Mr. Neville 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 Yeas, (Capt. Bowyer:)

Mr. Warne;

Mr. Charles Edwards;

Mr. Warne:

Mr. Warne:

Tellers for the Noes, 

Question put accordingly, That the Clause stand part of the Bill:—Amendment, by the words "may,"—

Clause No. 4 (Amendment of s. 68 of principal Act.)

Mr. Neville 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 Yeas, (Capt. Margesson:)

Capt. Margesson;

Mr. Warne;

Mr. Warne:

Tellers for the Noes, 

Question put accordingly, That the Clause stand part of the Bill:—Debate arising;

Mr. Neville 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 Yeas, (Capt. Viscount Ormonde:)

Capt. Viscount Ormonde;

Mr. Warne;

Mr. Warne:

Tellers for the Noes, 

Question put accordingly, That the Clause stand part of the Bill:—Amendment, by the word "may,"—

Clause No. 5 (Amendment of s. 80 of principal Act.)

Motion made, and Question put, That the Chairman do report Progress; and ask leave to sit again.—(Mr. James Henry Thomas.)

The Committee proceeded to a Division, Members but the Tellers for the Yeas not appearing to announce the numbers the Chairman directed the Sergeant-at-Arms to ascertain from the Tellers why they were not in a position to do so, and whether any Members were obstructing the progress of the Division. The Sergeant-at-Arms announced that 13 Members refused to pass the Tellers. The Chairman then
directed the Serjeant-at-Arms to ascertain the names of these Members, and he announced that the following had so refused:—Mr. Dun­
aggio, Mr. Scarr, Mr. Hardy, Mr. Lord Stanley, Mr. Lawson, Mr. Shepherd, Mr. Purcell, Mr. Taylor, Colonel Day, Mr. Wheatley, Mr. Compton, Mr. Dalton, and Mr. Hardie:

Whereupon the Chairman named Mr. Dun­aggio, Mr. Scarr, Mr. Hardy, Mr. Lord Stanley, Mr. Lawson, Mr. Shepherd, Mr. Purcell, Mr. Taylor, Colonel Day, Mr. Wheatley, Mr. Compton, Mr. Dalton, and Mr. Hardie, to be suspended for persistently and wilfully obstructing the business of the House, and left the Chair to make his Report to the House.

Chairman reports to the House.

Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair; and the Chairman of Ways and Means reported that Mr. Dunaggio, Mr. Scarr, Mr. Hardy, Mr. Lord Stanley, Mr. Lawson, Mr. Shepherd, Mr. Purcell, Mr. Taylor, Colonel Day, Mr. Wheatley, Mr. Compton, Mr. Dalton, and Mr. Hardie had been named by him for persis­
tently and wilfully obstructing the Business of the House:

Members suspended.

Whereupon a Motion was made, and the Question being put, That Mr. Dunaggio, Mr. Scarr, Mr. Hardy, Mr. Lord Stanley, Mr. Lawson, Mr. Shepherd, Mr. Purcell, Mr. Taylor, Colonel Day, Mr. Wheatley, Mr. Compton, Mr. Dalton, and Mr. Hardie be suspended from the service of the House.—(Mr. Neville Chamberlain.)

The House proceeded to a Division; and the Tellers for the Ayes having returned to the House, Mr. Speaker, after an interval, directed the Serjeant-at-Arms to call the Tellers for the Noes to the Table.

The Tellers for the Yeas, Commander Eyres, 162. Tellers for the Noes, Mr. Brown, 76. So it was resolved in the Affirmative.

Mr. Speaker directed Members to withdraw.

Mr. Speaker then directed Mr. Dunaggio, Mr. Scarr, Mr. Hardy, Mr. Lord Stanley, Mr. Lawson, Mr. Shepherd, Mr. Purcell, Mr. Taylor, Colonel Day, Mr. Wheatley, Mr. Com­
pton, Mr. Dalton, and Mr. Hardie to withdraw, and they withdrew accordingly.

Economy (Miscella­neous Provisions) Bill.

Then the House again resolved itself into the Committee on the Economy (Miscellaneous Provisions) Bill. 

(In the Committee.)

Question put, That the Chairman do report Progress; and ask leave to sit again.

The Committee proceeded to a Division. The Tellers for the Noses having returned to the House, the Chairman, after an interval, directed the Serjeant-at-Arms to call the Tellers for the Yeas to the Table.

Tellers for the Yeas, Mr. Warne, 90. Tellers for the Noses, Mr. Benjamin Smith: Captain Viscount Curzon : 162.

Amendment proposed, in p. 5, l. 4, to leave out the word "twenty-seven," in order to insert the word "thirty."—(Captain Garro-Jones.)

Question put, That the word "twenty­seven" stand part of the Clause.

The Committee divided.

Tellers for the Yeas, Sir Harry Barnston, 155. Tellers for the Noses, Mr. Warne : Captain Garro-Jones : 85.

Two further Amendments proposed, in p. 5, l. 6, after the word "shall," to insert the words "to an amount not exceeding seven months."—(Mr. Morris.)

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

Another Amendment proposed, in p. 5, l. 9, after the word "part," to insert the words "to an amount not exceeding seven months."—(Captain Garro-Jones.)

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

Question put, That the Clause stand part of the Bill.

The Committee divided.

Tellers for the Yeas, Sir Harry Barnston, 155. Tellers for the Noses, Mr. Warne : Captain Garro-Jones : 85.

Another Amendment proposed, in p. 5, l. 7, after the word "part," to insert the words "to an amount not exceeding seven months."—(Captain Garro-Jones.)

Clause No. 5 (Transfer from Navy, Army and Air Force Insurance Fund to Exchequer).

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

The Committee divided.

Tellers for the Yeas, Mr. Frederick Thom­

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 Second Reading of the Army and Air Force (Annual) Bill.

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

The Order of the day being read, for the Army and Air Force (Annual) Bill:

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

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

Resolved, That this House will, this day, resolve itself into the said Committee.

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

Resolved, That this House will, this day, resolve itself into the said Committee.
The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Land Drainage 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 Police Pensions 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 Merchandise Marks (Imported Goods) 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 Weights and Measures (Amendment) Bill [Lords];
Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time this day.

The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Lead Paint (Protection against Poisoning) 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 Bankruptcy (Amendment) Bill [Lords];
Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time this day.

The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Execution of the Execution of Diligence (Scotland) 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 Coroners (Amendment) Bill [Lords];
Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time this day.

The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Law of Property (Amendment) Bill [Lords];
Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time this day.

And it being after half-past Eleven of the clock on Wednesday evening, Mr. Deputy Speaker adjourned the House without Question put, pursuant to the Standing Order, it being then six minutes after Nine of the clock on Thursday morning, till this day.

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Thursday, 15th April 1926.

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

P R A Y E R S.

A Bill to regulate the expenditure on capital Loans 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-six, to the thirtieth day of September, one thousand nine hundred and twenty-seven, and for other purposes, was presented, and read the first time; and referred to the Examiners of Petitions for Private Bills.

A Petition of the Southern Railway Company under their Common Seal, praying, That provision may be made in the Southern Railway Bill for the Conversion of the Ordinary A Stock, and the Ordinary B Stock of the Company, into Deferred Ordinary Stock, at certain specified rates, was presented, and read; and referred to the Examiners of Petitions for Private Bills.

Mr. Winstanley presented, pursuant to the directions of an Act of Parliament,—Copy of Return of all Loans raised in England, chargeable on the Revenues of India, outstanding at the commencement of the half-year ended 31st March 1926.

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

Mr. M'CNeill presented, pursuant to the directions of several Acts of Parliament,—Copy of (1) Statement of Guarantees which the Treasury have stated their willingness to give up to 31st March 1926; (2) Account of Receipts and Payments in respect Land and Works of the London Knock-Up, for the year ended 31st March 1926; (3) Account of Receipts and Expenditure on account of Proceedings in connection with the Winding-up of Companies under the Trade Facilities Acts, and of the sums paid in or towards the repayment of any sums so issued; and (3) Statement of amounts payable under the undertakings given under Section 2 of the Trade Facilities Act, 1924, during the year ended 31st March 1926.

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Ordered, that the said Papers do lie upon the Table; and that the Paper relative to Trade Facilities Acts be printed.


Copies of Three Orders in Council under the Dockyard Ports Regulation Act, 1865, dated 20th March 1926, relating to the Dockyard Ports of (1) Portland; (2) Plymouth and Devonport; and (3) Portsmouth.

Copies of Two Orders in Council under the Naval and Marine Pay and Pensions Act, 1865, dated 20th March 1926, entitled the Tonganyika (Legislative Council, Order in Council, 1925.

Copy of Order in Council under the Foreign Jurisdiction Act, 1890, dated 29th March 1926, entitled the Tonganyika (Legislative Council, Order in Council, 1925.

Copy of Order in Council under the Merchant Shipping Acts, dated 19th March 1926, entitled the Merchant Shipping (Registration of British Ships in British India) Order, 1926.

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

Sir Philip Cunliffe-Lister presented, pursuant to the directions of an Act of Parliament, —Account of the Receipt and Expenditure, under the Seamen’s Fund Winding-up Act, for the year 1925.

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

Sir Arthur Steel-Maitland presented, by His Majesty’s Command,—Copy of Memorandum on the proposed action of the British Government regarding Draft Conventions and Recommendations adopted by the International Labour Conference of the League of Nations at its Seventh Session, 19th May to 10th June 1925.

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:—

(1) Account of the Securities held by the Commissioners for the Reduction of the National Debt at 31st December 1925, (a) as investments for moneys, forming part of the National Health Insurance Funds and Unemployment Insurance Fund, 1920; and (2) as investments for moneys of the Central Fund under the National Health Insurance Act, 1924; (3) Account of the Securities held by the said Commissioners at 31st March 1926 as investments for moneys, forming part of the Unemployment Fund, paid over to them by the Ministry of Labour under the Unemployment Insurance Act, 1920.

Ordered, that the said Account be printed.

Mr. William Nicholson reported from the Standing Committee of Selection; that they had discharged the following Member from Standing Committee A:—Captain Garro-Jones; and had appointed in substitution: Mr. Haydn Jones.

Mr. William Nicholson further reported from Standing Committee B:—Mr. Albert Alexander and Mr. Kelly; and had appointed in substitution: Viscount Elibank and Mr. James Hudson.

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Clause No. 2 (Transfer from Navy, Army and Air Force Insurance Fund to Exchequer).

Amendment proposed, in p. 6, 1. 7, to leave out subsection (1).—(Mr. Richardson.)

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The Committee divided.

**Chairman moves to close the debate.**

Mr. James Henry Thomas moved, That the Chairman do report Progress; and ask leave to sit again;

Mr. Warne: / Captain Bowyer: / Yeas, / Mr. Peters: / Noes, / Mr. Haynes: / Question put accordingly, That the words proposed to be left out, to the word "expiration," in l. 24, stand part of the Clause.

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16 Geo. V. 15th—16th April.

Clause No. 9 (Substitution of one register in the Bill; and that he was directed to move, a year for two and reduction of qualifying to sit again.—(Mr. James Henry Thomas), put, period). Motion made, and Question, That the and negatived.
Chairman do report Progress; and ask leave put, and agreed to.
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Amendment proposed, in p. 8, l. 5, to leave out the words "three months," in order to insert the words "one month."—(Sir Henry Sinclair.)

Question put, That the words "three months" stand part of the Clause.

The Committee divided.

Tellers for the 

Mr. FrederickThomas; 134.

Yess, 

Captain Bouger; 134.

Tellers for the 

Mr. Charles Edwards, 64.

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Yeas, 

Noes, 

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The Committee divided.

Tellers for the 

Mr. Parkinson.

Mr. Hayes; 65.

Tellers for the 

Major Hennessy; 136.

Mr. FrederickThomas; 136.

Yeas, 

Noes, 

Yeas, 

Noes, 

Mr. Parkinson; 65.

Mr. Hayes; 65.

Mr. Frederick Thomas; 137.

Captain Bouger; 65.

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Class No. 10 (Amendment of Ballot Act, 1872, as to division of register at polling station.)

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

Mr. Deputy Speaker resumed the Chair; and the Chairman of Ways and Means reported, that the Committee had made Progress

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The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Markets and Fairs (Weighing of Cattle) 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 (Amendment) Bill [Lords]:
Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time upon Monday next.

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

[No. 47.]
Friday, 16th April 1926.

The House met at Eleven of the clock.

PRAYERS.

A MOTION being made, That the Hackney Borough Council Bill be now read the third time;

Mr. Hope, 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 Order of the day being read, for taking into consideration the Bermondsey Borough Council Street Trading 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 the Second Reading of the Birmingham Canal Bill [Lords]:
Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time upon Friday next.

The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Pontefract Corporation Bill:
Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time upon Thursday next.

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 East Ham (North Division), in the room of Charles Williamson Crook, Esquire, deceased.—(Sir Harry Barnston.)

Ordered, That Mr. Speaker do issue his Writ for the electing of a Member to serve in this present Parliament for the County of York, East Riding (Brough Division), in the room of Vice-Admiral Sir Guy Reginald Archer Gaunt, K.C.M.G., C.B., 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.—(Sir Harry Barnston.)

Captain Elliot presented, pursuant to the National directions of an Act of Parliament,—Copy of Regulations made by the Scottish Board of Health, dated 16th April 1926, entitled the National Health Insurance (Medical Benefit) Amendment Regulations (Scotland), 1926.

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

Lord Eustace Percy presented, pursuant to Universities and the directions of an Act of Parliament,—Copies of Statutes made by the University of Oxford and Cambridge Commissioners under the Universities of Oxford Acts, and Cambridge Acts:—

(1) for the University of Oxford; and
(2) for Corpus Christi College, Oxford.

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

Colonel Ashley presented,—Return to an Order, dated the 12th day of May, in the last Session of Parliament for a Return relative to Tramways and Light Railways (Street and Road) and Trackless Trolley Undertakings.

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

Mr. MacNeill presented, by His Majesty's Command,—Copy of Memorandum on expenditure of the Second Schedule of the Economy (Miscellaneous Provisions) Bill, and of the Financial Resolution relative to the Bill.

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

Ordered, That the Examiners of Petitions for Post Office Private Bills do examine the Post Office (Sites) Bill, and, after due consideration, the Burr Registers (Scotland) Bill with respect to compliance with the Standing Orders relative to Private Bills.

Ordered, That the Burgh Registers (Scotland) Bill be read a second time upon Tuesday next.

The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Judicial Proceedings (Regulation of Reports) Bill:

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

An Amendment was proposed to be made to the Question, by leaving out the word "now," and, at the end of the Question, adding the words "upon this day six months."

—(Sir Ellis Home-Williams.)
16 Geo. V. 16th—19th April.

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 (Major) Kindersley, Sir Evelyn Cecil; 222. Tellers for the (Sir Ellis Hum- mons, Sir Malcolm Mac- pherson; 3.

So 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
Second Reading of the Illegal Trawling (Scotland) Penalties 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 Temperance (Wales and Monmouthshire) 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 Blasphemy Laws (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 Blind 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 Shops (Hours of Employment) 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 Leasehold Enfranchise- ment 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 Asylums Officers' Superannuation (Amendment) Bill; Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time upon Monday next.

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

[No. 48.]

Monday, 19th April 1926.
The House met at a quarter of an hour before Three of the clock.

PRAYERS.

THE House proceeded to take into consideration the Hartlepool Corporation (Trolley Vehicles) Bill, as amended in the Committee.

Ordered, That the Bill be read the third time.

The House proceeded to take into consideration the Metropolitan Railway Bill, as amended in the House.

Ordered, That the Bill be read the third time.

The House, according to Order, proceeded to take into consideration the Bolton Corporation Bill.

Ordered, That the Bill be read the third time.

Earl Winterton presented, pursuant to the directions of an Act of Parliament,—Copy of Constitutional Amendment of the Legislative Assembly Electoral Rules, made by the Governor General of India in Council, with the sanction of the Secretary of State in Council, under Section 63, read with Section 129a, of the Government of India Act.

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

Mr. Neville Chamberlain presented, pursuant to the directions of an Act of Parliament,—Copy of Provisional Regulations, dated 31st March 1926, entitled the Contributory Pensions Acts, 1925.

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 and Accounts of the Conservators of the River Thames for 1925. Ordered, That the said Paper be printed.

A Motion was made, and the Question being put, That the Proceedings on Government Business be exempted, at this day's Sitting, from the provisions of the Standing Order (Sittings of the House)—(The Prime Minister); The House divided.
The Yeas to the Right;
The Noes to the Left. Tellers for the (Sir Harry Barnston, Yeas, Major Hennessy; 209.
Tellers for the (Mr. Barnes, Noses, Mr. Hayes; 97.

So it was resolved in the Affirmative.
Economy (Miscellaneous Provisions) [Money] Bill. (No. 2.) 1926.

Secretary Sir Laming Worthington-Evans, by His Majesty's Command, acquainted the House that His Majesty, having been informed of the subject matter of the Motion relating to Economy (Miscellaneous Provisions) [Money] (No. 2), proposed to be moved, under Standing Order No. 71a, in Committee of the whole House, recommends it to the consideration of the House.

Then the House, pursuant to Standing Order No. 71a, resolved itself into Committee.

Resolved, That for the purposes of any Act of the present Session to make provision for reducing in respect of certain services the charges on public funds and for increasing, by means of the payment into the Exchequer reducing in respect of certain services the funds available for meeting such charges, and to amend accordingly the Law relating to unemployment insurance and certain other matters for purposes related or incidental thereto, it is expedient to authorise the payment out of moneys provided by Parliament of a contribution under the Acts relating to unemployment insurance and certain other matters and for purposes related or incidental thereto, it is expedient to authorise the payment out of moneys provided by Parliament of a contribution under the Acts relating to unemployment insurance of such an amount as would be produced if, so far as relates to exempt persons, the rates of weekly contributions on the basis of which the said amount is calculated were the same as respects the part (if any) of the extended period after the first day of January, nineteen hundred and twenty-eight, as the rates applicable thereafter.—(Mr. Bottomley.)

Resolution to be reported.

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

Ordered, That the Report be received to-morrow.

The House, according to Order, resolved itself into a Committee on the Economy (Miscellaneous Provisions) Bill.

Clause No. 10 (Amendment of Ballot Act, 1872, as to division of register at polling station).

Question put, That the Clause stand part of the Bill.

The Committee divided.

Tellers for the "Yea", Mr. Parkinson, Captain Bowyer; 120.

Tellers for the "Noo", Mr. Warnes; 228.

Original Question put, and agreed to.

Clauses No. 12 and No. 13 agreed to.

Clause No. 14 (Operation of 8.118 of Education Act, 1921).

Amendment proposed, in p. 9, l. 38, to leave out subsection (1).—(Mr. Trevanion.)

Question put, That the words proposed to be left out, to the word "expenditure," in p. 10, l. 3, stand part of the Clause.

The Committee divided.

Tellers for the "Yea", Mr. Thomas Henderson, Captain Morpham; 216.

Tellers for the "Noo", Mr. Warnes; 119.

Motion made, and Question, That the Chairman do report Progress; and ask leave to sit again—(Lord Eustace Percy), 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 Supply Committee of Ways and Means.

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

The Order of the day being read, for the Imperial War Graves Endowment Fund (re-committed) Bill; 120. Yeas, Captain Bowyer; 210.

The Order of the day being read, for the Post Office (Sites) Bill; 120. Yeas, Captain Bowyer; 214.

The Order of the day being read, for the Army and Air Forces Bill; 120. Yeas, Mr. Parkinson; 228.

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

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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.:—

- Birkenhead Corporation Bill [Lords].
- Darwen 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 Petition for additional Provision in the following Bill, the Standing Orders have not been complied with, viz.:—

- Southern Railway Bill.

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

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

- Ministry of Health Provisional Orders (No. 3) Bill.

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

Mr. Speaker laid upon the Table.—Report from one of the Examiners of Petitions for Private Bills, That in the case of the following Bill, referred on the First Reading thereof, no Standing Orders are applicable, viz.:—

- Land Drainage Provisional Order (No. 1) Bill.

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time to-morrow.
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(Supply Bill)—Mr. Albert Alexander, Lord Apsley, Colonel Ashley, Mr. Attlee, Mr. Attorney General, Mr. Balfe, Mr. Baring-Harvey, Colonel Barton, Mr. Clayton, Colonel Creachbank, Sir Philip Danns, Captain Elliot, Mr. Ellis, Mr. Golling, Mr. Arthur Greenwood, Colonel Sir Frederick Hall, Mr. Hasbury, Mr. Hartington, Mr. Dennis Herbert, Mr. Robert Hudson, Captain Garro-Jones, Mr. Johnston, Major Kindersley, Mr. Lanzbury, Mr. Wardlaw-Milne, Mr. Stephen Mitchell, Colonel Moore-Bromby, Mr. Nuttall, Mr. Radford, Mr. Spooner, Sir Robert Spenlow, Mr. Trevelyan Thomson, Mr. Waddington, Sir Charles Wilson, and Mr. Hilton Young.

Ordered, That the Reports do lie upon the Table.

Chairman's Panel.

Mr. William Nicolson reported from the Chairman's Panel; That they had appointed Sir Robert Sanders to act as Chairman of Standing Committee C (in respect of the Electricity (Supply) Bill).

Ordered, That the Report do lie upon the Table.

Roadside Petrol Pumps Bill.

Bill 86.

Mr. Frank Meyer, supported by Captain Drew, Colonel Horlick, Colonel Assheton Pownall, and Mr. Benjamin Smith, presented a Bill to provide for the licensing of petrol pumps by highway authorities; And the same was ordered to be read a second time upon Monday next; and to be printed.

Access to Mountain Bill.

Bill 87.

Mr. Trevelyan, supported by Sir Martin Conway, Mr. Johnston, Mr. MacKenzie Lysterstone, Colonel Assheton Pownall, and Mr. Cecil Wiking, presented a Bill to secure the public the right of access to mountains and moorlands; And the same was ordered to be read a second time upon Tuesday next; and to be printed.

Business of the House.

A Motion was made, and the Question being put, That the Proceedings on Government Business be exempted, at this day's Sitting, from the provisions of the Standing Order (Sittings of the House)—(The Prime Minister):

The House divided.

The Yeas to the Right;

Tellers for the "Yes", 
Mr. Barnes: 240.

Tellers for the "Noes", 
Mr. Harris: 110.

So it was resolved in the Affirmative.

Ordered, That leave be given to bring in a Bill to provide for the appointment of women justices of the peace to act as assessors in Juvenile Courts in Scottish Burghs; And that Mr. Westwood, Mr. Thomas Heslerion, Dr. Shiels, Mr. William M'Lean Watson, Major-General Sir Robert Hutchinson, Mr. Barr, Sir Harry Hope, Mr. MacIntyre, Mr. Williams Adamson, Mr. Johnston, and Mr. Sornymour do prepare and bring it in.

Juvenile Courts (Scotland) Bill.

Bill 88.

Mr. Westwood accordingly presented a Bill to provide for the appointment of women justices of the peace to act as assessors in Juvenile Courts in Scottish Burghs: And the same was read the first time, and ordered to be read a second time upon Tuesday next; and to be printed.

The Lord Advocate reported from the Committee on Economy (Miscellaneous Provisions) (Money) Bill:—(Mr. Godfrey Collins), a Resolution; which was read, as followeth:

That for the purposes of any Act of the present Session to make provision for redeeming in respect of certain services the charges on public funds and for increasing, by means of the payment into the Exchequer of certain sums and otherwise, the funds available for meeting such charges, and to amend accordingly the Law relating to unemployment insurance and certain other matters and for purposes related or incidental thereto, it is expedient to authorise the payment out of moneys provided by Parliament of a contribution under the Acts relating to unemployment insurance of such an amount as would be produced if, so far as relates to exempt persons, the rates of weekly contributions on the basis of which the said amount is calculated were the same as respects the part (if any) of the extended period after the first day of January, nineteen hundred and twenty-two on which contributions were payable, as respects the part of the extended period after the first day of January, nineteen hundred and twenty-two, as the rates applicable therefor.

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

The House, according to Order, resolved itself into a Committee on the Economy (Miscellaneous Provisions) Bill.

(No. 2)

Clause No. 14 (Operation of s. 118 of Education Act, 1921).

Another Amendment proposed, in p. 10, l. 3, after the word "any," to insert the word "new."—(Mr. Robert Richardson.)

Question, That the word "new" be there inserted put, and negatived.

Another Amendment proposed, in p. 10, l. 3, to leave out from the word "expenditure," to the word "which," in l. 8.—(Mr. Harris.)

Question put, That the words proposed to be left out, to the word "circumstances," in l. 4, stand part of the Clause.

The Committee divided.

Tellers for the "Major Hennessy", 
Mr. Harris: 275.

Tellers for the "Sir Godfrey Collins", 
Mr. Barnes: 142.

Another Amendment proposed, in p. 10, l. 4, to leave out from the first word "the," to the word "general," in l. 8.—(Mr. Morgan Jones.)

Question put, That the words proposed to be left out, to the word "or," in l. 5, stand part of the Clause.

The Committee divided.

Tellers for the "Major Hennessy", 
Mr. Harris: 270.

Tellers for the "Mr. Barnes", 
Mr. Harris: 140.

Another Amendment proposed, in p. 10, l. 5, to leave out from the word "authority," to the word "or," in l. 6.—(Mr. Cee.)

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Question put, That the words proposed to be left out, to the word "areas," in l. 6, stand part of the Clause.
The Committee divided.
Tellers for the [Major Hennessy,
Yea,  [Captain Bowyer] : 274.
Tellers for the [Mr. Warne,]
Noo,  [Mr. Barnes] : 140.

Another Amendment proposed, in p. 10, l. 6, after the word "other," to insert the word "similar."]—(Mr. Ammon.)
Question put, That the word "similar" be there inserted.
The Committee divided.
Tellers for the [Mr. Warne,]
Yea,  [Mr. Barnes] : 140.
Tellers for the [Major Cope,]
Noe,  [Captain Margesson] : 262.

Another Amendment proposed, in p. 10, l. 6, after the word "areas," to insert the words "where conditions are comparable."—(Mr. Harris.)
Question put, That those words be there inserted.
The Committee divided.
Tellers for the [Mr. Harris,]
Tellers for the [Major Cope,]
Noo,  [Captain Margesson] : 261.

Another Amendment proposed, in p. 10, l. 8, at the end, to insert the words,—
Provided that the Board shall cause to be laid before Parliament a report indicating in each case the expenditure of any authority, proposed or incurred, which the Board have refused to recognise for the purpose of Parliamentary grants under this subsection."—(Mr. James Hudson.)
Question put, That those words be there inserted.
The Committee divided.
Tellers for the [Mr. Hayes,]
Yea,  [Mr. Barnes] : 134.
Tellers for the [Major Cope,]
Noo,  [Captain Margesson] : 256.

Another Amendment proposed, in p. 10, l. 9, to leave out subsection (2).—(Sir John Simon.)
Question, That the words proposed to be left out stand part of the Clause, put, and agreed to.
Another Amendment proposed, in p. 10, l. 28, at the end, to add the words,—
"This Part of this Act may be cited as the Education Act, 1926, and shall be considered as one with the Education Acts, 1870 to 1918, and the Education Acts, 1921 and 1923, and those Acts and this Part of this Act may be cited together as the Education Acts, 1870 to 1923."—(Sir John Simon.)
Question, That those words be there added, put, and negatived.
Question put, That the Clause stand part of the Bill.

The Committee divided.
Tellers for the [Sir Henry Barnston,
Tellers for the [Mr. Parkinson,]
Noo,  [Mr. Barnes] : 132.

Clause No. 15 (Establishment of bankruptcy and companies winding-up fees, account and application thereof).
Amendment proposed, in p. 11, l. 12, to leave out the word "may," in order to insert the word "shall."—(Mr. Albert Alexander.)
Question, That the word "may" stand part of the Clause, put, and agreed to.
Clause agreed to.
Clauses No. 16 to No. 21 agreed to.
First Schedule.
Amendment proposed, in p. 16, to leave out ll. 18 to 20.—(Mr. James Henry Thomas.)
Question proposed, That the words proposed to be left out to the word "three-fifths," in l. 18, stand part of the Schedule:—Amendment, by leave, withdrawn.
Question put, That this be the First Schedule to the Bill.
The Committee divided.
Tellers for the [Mr. Frederick Thomas,]
Yea,  [Captain Bowyer] : 290.
Tellers for the [Mr. Parkinson,]
Noo,  [Mr. Thomas Hender- son] : 137.

Second Schedule.
Amendment proposed, in p. 16, l. 29, to leave out "6d.," in order to insert "Id."—(Mr. Kelly.)
Question put, That "6d." stand part of the Schedule.
The Committee divided.
Tellers for the [Mr. Frederick Thom-
Yea,  [Captain Bowyer] : 290.
Tellers for the [Mr. Parkinson,]
Noo,  [Mr. Warne] : 137.

Question, That this be the Second Schedule to the Bill.
Committee divided.
Tellers for the [Mr. Frederick Thom-
Yea,  [Captain Bowyer] : 269.
Tellers for the [Mr. Parkinson,]

Third Schedule.
Question put, That this be the Third Schedule to the Bill.
The Committee divided.
Tellers for the [Captain Margesson,]
Yea,  [Captain Bowyer] : 265.
Tellers for the [Mr. Parkinson,]
Noo,  [Mr. Benjamin Smith] : 128.

Fourth Schedule agreed to.
Question put, That the Chairman do report the Bill, without Amendment, to the House.
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The Committee divided.

The House, according to Order, resolved itself into a Committee on the Imperial War Graves Endowment Fund (re-committed) Bill.

The Bankruptcy (Amendment) Bill [Lords], 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 Law of Property (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 execution of Diligence (Scotland) Bill [Lords];

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

The Order of the day being read, for the Coroners (Amendment) Bill [Lords];

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

The Order of the day being read, for the Mercantile Moveable Dwellings Bill;

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

The Order of the day being read, for the Mercantile Moveable Dwellings Bill;

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time upon Thursday the 29th day of this instant April.

The Order of the day being read, for the Burgh Registers (Scotland) Bill;

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

The Order of the day being read, for the Blind Persons Bill;

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

The Order of the day being read, for the Shops (Hours of Employment) Bill;

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

The Order of the day being read, for the Merchandise Marks Acts (1887 to 1911) Amendment Bill;

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

And then the House, having continued to sit till ten minutes after Eleven of the clock, adjourned till tomorrow.
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Wednesday, 21st April 1926.

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

PRAYERS.

The Land Drainage Provisional Order (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. Neville Chamberlain presented a Bill to confirm certain Provisional Orders of the Minister of Health relating to Pylle Preston and Garstang Joint Small-pox Hospital District, Newquay, Pontefract, Stoke-on-Trent, Swanne, and Watford: And the same was read the first time.

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

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

Secretary Sir Austen Chamberlain presented, by His Majesty's Command,—Copy of Paper respecting the First Firing in the Affair at Shanghai (China) on 23rd June 1925. Ordered, That the said Papers do lie upon the Table.

Copy of Convention between the United Kingdom and the Czechoslovak Republic relative to Legal Proceedings in Civil and Commercial Matters. Signed at London, 18th November 1924. (Ratifications exchanged at London, 29th March 1926.) Ordered, That the said Papers do lie upon the Table.

Copy of Scheme made under paragraph 4 of the Schedule to the Nurses Registration Act, 1919, for the election of sixteen persons to be members of the General Nursing Council for England and Wales. Ordered, That the said Paper do lie upon the Table.

Mr. M'Neill presented, pursuant to the directions of an Act of Parliament,—Account of the Public Income and Expenditure of the United Kingdom in the year ended 31st March 1926, together with the Balances in the Exchequer on 1st April 1925; the Receipts and Payments (not being Income and Expenditure) in the year ended 31st March 1926; and the Balances in the Exchequer on that day. Ordered, That the said Paper do lie upon the Table, and be printed.

Mr. Guinness presented, pursuant to the directions of an Act of Parliament,—Copy of Order under the Diseases of Animals Acts, dated 14th April 1926, amending the Foreign Animals Order of 1910, and amending Orders to include California in Schedule of Prohibited Countries and revoking Order No. 4,104, of 10th December 1925. Ordered, That the said Paper do lie upon the Table.

Sir Philip Cunliffe-Lister presented, by His Majesty's Command,—Copy of Report of a Committee appointed by the Board of Trade to consider Part I. of the Safeguarding of Industries Act, 1921.

Copy of Report of the Committee on Safeguarding Enameded Hollow-ware in connection with the Safeguarding of Industries. Ordered, That the said Papers do lie upon the Table.

Mr. Neville Chamberlain presented, pursuant to the directions of an Act of Parliament,—Copy of Scheme made under paragraph 4 of the Schedule to the Nurses Registration Act, 1919, for the election of sixteen persons to be members of the General Nursing Council for England and Wales. Ordered, That the said Paper do lie upon the Table.

Ordered, That there be laid before this House, Public a Copy of Statement showing the Gross and Revenue Not total Cost of the Civil Services and Revenue Departments and the Navy, Army, and Air Services for the year ended the 31st day of March 1925,—(Mr. M'Neill.)

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 Trent Falls Improvement Bill, to provide for payment by the Humber Conservancy Board of the cost of constructing the said training wall, and for other purposes; to which the Lords desire the concurrence of this House.

The Lords have passed a Bill, intituled Halifax Corporation Bill, to empower the Corporation of Halifax to execute street improvements and to confer further powers on them with respect to their several undertakings, and for other purposes; to which the Lords desire the concurrence of this House.

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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.

Ministry of Health, Provisional Orders (No. 2) Bill:—That 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.

Ramsbottom Urban District Council Bill:—That the Chairman of Ways and Means reported from the Committee of Selection; that they had directed him to report the Bill, with Amendments, to the House.

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

Middlesbrough Corporation Bill:—That the Chairman of Ways and Means reported from the Middlesbrough Corporation Bill, with Amendments.

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

Bristol Cemetery Bill [Lords]:—That the Chairman of Ways and Means reported from the Bristol Cemetery Bill [Lords], with Amendments.

Ordered, That the Report do lie upon the Table.

Bristol Water Bill [Lords]:—That the Chairman of Ways and Means reported from the Bristol Water Bill [Lords], with Amendments.

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

Selection (Standing Committees) Standing Committee C:—Mr. William Nicholson reported from the Committee of Selection; that they had discharged the following Member from Standing Committee C (added in respect of the Electricity (Supply) Bill)—Sir Alexander Syrot; and had appointed in substitution: Commander Parkinson.

Ordered, That the Report do lie upon the Table.

Leasehold Enfranchisement (No. 2) Bill:—That Mr. Haydn Jones, supported by Mr. Ellis Davies, Mr. Charles Williams, Major Owen, Mr. George Hall, Captain Ernest Evans, Mr. Morris, Sir Robert Thomas, Mr. Jenkins, Mr. Kenyon, Mr. Wiggins, and Mr. John, presented a Bill to enable leaseholders of houses or premises whose original leases were granted for a period or term of not less than thirty years to compulsorily acquire the freehold estate: and such other outstanding interests affecting the property by agreement or, failing agreement, by arbitration under the Arbitration Act, 1889, or any statutory modification thereof: and the same was ordered to be read a second time upon Tuesday next; and to be printed.

Legislation of Betting:—A Motion was made, and the Question being proposed, that Leave be given to bring in a Bill to amend the Law relating to Betting, and Vol. 181.

16 Geo. V. 21st April. to provide for the registration of all bookmakers.—(Mr. Dixey).

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:

The House divided.

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

Tellers for the Sir Cooper Reeson, Year, (Sir Frank Meyer : 99.0
Tellers for the Mr. Scrymgour, Noes, (Mr. Groves : 126.

So it passed in the Negative.

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. 10 agreed to.

A Clause (Abolition of death penalty for certain offences)—(Mr. Thurtle)—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 the Frederick Hall, Year, (Mr. Wares : 123.
Tellers for the Sir Harry Barmston, Noes, (Captain Margesson : 260.

Another Clause (Use of military in connexion with trade disputes)—(Mr. William M'Lean Watson)—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. Hayes, Year, (Mr. Benjamin Smith : 103.
Tellers for the Major Cope, Noes, (Captain Margesson : 283.

Another Clause (Amendment of s. 76 of Army Act)—(Mr. Johnston)—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. Thomas Hender, Year, (Mr. Barnes : 114.
Tellers for the Major Cope, Noes, (Captain Boyner : 260.

Another Clause (Amendment of s. 138 of Army Act)—(Colonel 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 Mr. Thomas Hender, Year, (Mr. Wares : 114.
Tellers for the Captain Margesson, Noes, (Captain Boyner : 260.

And it being after 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 proposed, That, in the opinion of this House, rigorous measures should be taken to suppress the revolutionary propaganda which is being carried on in Great Britain and the Empire, both amongst the civil population and the armed forces of the Crown, by organisations which have for their object the overthrow of the British Constitution.—(Colonel Sir Alan Burgoyne)

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 “the loyalty of the forces is beyond doubt and proof against sedition attempts and that all experience of the past has shown that the prosecution of opinion is useless and defeats its own ends, and that the stability of national institutions is best preserved, not by panic legislation or administrative violence, but by the progressive removal of grievances and injustices and the improvement of the lot of and the increase of the opportunities for the mass of the people” —(Lieutenant-Commander Kenworthy), 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;

Colonel Sir Alan Burgoyne 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 Eleven of the clock, the Debate stood adjourned.

The Order of the day being read, for resuming the adjourned Debate on the Question proposed upon the 19th day of February last, That the Town Tenants Bill be now read a second time;

Ordered, That the Debate be further adjourned till Monday next.

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.

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

Distribution by Mr. Speaker, pursuant to Standing Order No. 43, of Bills committed to a Standing Committee.

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

PRAYERS.

Mr. Speaker laid upon the Table,—Report from one of the Examiners of Petitions for Private Bills, pursuant to the Order of the House of the 16th day of April, That in the case of the following Bill, the Standing Orders which are applicable thereto have been complied with, viz.:

Post Office (Sites) Bill.

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.:

Royal Albert Hall (Lords).

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

The Bolton 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 Hartlepool Corporation (Trolley Vehicles) Bill was read the third time and passed.

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

A Motion being made, That the Metropolitan Railway Bill be now read the third time;

Mr. Hope, 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 Port of London Bill was read the third time and passed.

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

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

The Marriages 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 Ministry of 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 to-morrow.

Colonel Ashley presented, pursuant to the Electricity directions of an Act of Parliament,—Copies of Electricity Commissioners, and confirmed by the Minister of Transport under the Electricity (Supply) Act, 1919, in respect of—

(1) certain Burghs and Parishes in the Counties of Clackmannan, Stirling, and West Lothian (formerly Linlithgow), and for the amendment of the Linlithgow and Falkirk District Electric Lighting Order, 1917;

(2) the Urban District of Barry, in the County of Glamorgan;

(3) the Borough of Pwllheli and the Rural District of Llwyn, in the County of Carnarvon; and

(4) the Borough of Denbigh and the Rural District of St. Asaph (Denbigh), in the County of Denbigh, and the Rural District of St. Asaph (Flint), in the County of Flint.

Copy of Special Order made by the Electricity Commissioners, and confirmed by the Ministry of Transport, under the Electricity (Supply) Act, 1919, in respect of an arrangement made in pursuance of Section 19 of that Act between the Mayor, Aldermen, and Burgesses of the Borough of Royal Tunbridge Wells and the Urban District Council of Tunbridge.

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

Mr. M'Neil presented,—Return to an Order, dated the 21st day of this instant April, for a Return relative to Public Departments (Gross and Net Cost, 1924-25.) No. 66.

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

Sir Philip Cunliffe-Lister presented, pursuant to the directions of an Act of Parliament,—Copy of Draft Order in Council altering the Scale, Rules, and Exemptions set out in the Act, 1849, Second Schedule to the Merchant Shipping (Mercantile Marine Fund) Act, 1898, for the purpose of the levying of light dues in pursuance of the Act.

Ordered, That the said Paper do lie upon the Table.
The Lord Advocate presented, by His Majesty's Command,—Copy of Memorandum as to the effect of the Rating (Scotland) Bill on the proportion of local rates borne by different classes of property.

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

East India (Constitutional Reform.)

Earl Winterton presented, pursuant to the directions of an Act of Parliament,—Copy of Amendment of the Devolution Rules, made by the Governor-General of India in Council with the sanction of the Secretary of State in Council under Section 45a, read with Section 129a, of the Government of India Act.

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

Standing Committee A, Midwives and Maternity Homes Bill.

Mr. James Brown reported from Standing Committee A, to whom the Heather Burning (Scotland) Bill was referred: That they had gone through the Bill and made Amendments thereto; and had amended the Title as follows: To amend the Midwives Acts, 1902 and 1918, and to provide for the Registration and Inspection of Maternity Homes, and for purposes connected therewith.

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

Standing Committee B, Midwives and Maternity Homes Bill.

No. 67. Ordered, That the Minutes of the Proceedings of the Standing Committee be printed.

Bill 92.

Mr. James Brown reported from the Standing Committee, on whom the Midwives and Maternity Homes Bill was referred: That they had gone through the Bill and amended Amendments thereto; and had amended the Title as follows: To amend the Midwives Acts, 1902 and 1918, and to provide for the Registration and Inspection of Maternity Homes, and for purposes connected therewith.

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

No. 68. Ordered, That the Minutes of the Proceedings of the Standing Committee be printed.

Bill 94.

Mr. William Nicholson reported from the Standing Committee of Selection: That they had discharged the following Members from Standing Committee C:—Mr. John Guest and Mr. John; and had appointed in substitution: Mr. David Gresford and Mr. Wallhead.

Ordered, That the Report do lie upon the Table.

Kings Norton—Boll Corporation Bill.

Sir Granville Wheeler reported the Kings Norton—Boll Corporation Bill, with Amendments.

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

Secretaries of State Bill.

Bill 93.

The Prime Minister, supported by Mr. Chancellor of the Exchequer and Secretary Sir William Joghson-Hicks, presented a Bill to transfer the powers of the Secretary for Scotland to one of His Majesty's Principal Secretaries of State, and to increase the number of Secretaries of State and Under Secretaries of State capable of sitting and voting in the Commons House of Parliament, 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.

A Motion was made, and the Question being put, That the Proceedings on the Economy (Miscellaneous Provisions) Bill have precedence this day of the Business of Supply—(The Prime Minister);

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

Tellers for the Sir Harry Barnston, Yeas, [Major Hennessy : ] 203.

Tellers for the Mr. Warne, Noes, [Mr. Barnes : ] 123.

So it was resolved in the Affirmative.

The Order of the day being read, for the Third Reading of the Economy (Miscellaneous Provisions) Bill;

And a Motion being made, and the Question being put, That the Bill be now read the third time:

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

Tellers for the Commander Eyres, Yeas, [Colonel Gibbs : ] 328.

Tellers for the Mr. Parkinson, Noes, [Mr. Warne : ] 128.

So it was resolved in the Affirmative:—The Bill was accordingly read the third time and passed.

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

The 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 Law of Property (Amendment) Bill Law of Property (Amendment) Bill (Lords); was, according to Order, read a second time, and committed to a Standing Committee of Lords.

The Order of the day being read, for the Markets Second Reading of the Markets and Fairs and Fees (Weighing of Cattle) Bill (Lords);

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

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

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

The Order of the day being read, for the Post Office Second Reading of the Post Office (Sieve) Bill (Sieve) 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 Lead Paint (Protection against Poisoning) 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 Execution of Diligence (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 Access to Mountains 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 Coroner's (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 Burgh Registers (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 Birmingham Canal Bill (Lords); Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time upon Friday next.

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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Blasphemy Laws (Amendment) Bill.

The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Blasphemy Laws (Amendment) Bill;

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

Asylums Officers' Superannuation (Amendment) Bill.

The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Asylums Officers' Superannuation (Amendment) Bill;

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

Supply.

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

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

Ways and Means.

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

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

Markets and Fairs (Weighing of Cattle) Bill [Lords.]

The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Markets and Fairs (Weighing of Cattle) Bill [Lords];

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

Land Drainage Bill [Lords.]

The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Land Drainage Bill [Lords];

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

Post Office (Sites) Bill.

The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Post Office (Sites) 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.

Lead Paint (Protection against Poisoning) Bill.

The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Lead Paint (Protection against Poisoning) Bill;

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

Execution of Diligence (Scotland) Bill [Lords.]

The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Execution of Diligence (Scotland) Bill [Lords];

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

Coroners (Amendment) Bill [Lords.]

The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Coroners (Amendment) Bill [Lords];

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

Whereupon, Mr. Speaker adjourned the House without Question put, pursuant to Standing Order No. 5, it being then one minute after Four of the clock, till Monday next.

STANDING COMMITTEES.

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

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[No. 53.]

Monday, 26th April 1926.

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

PRAYERS.

The House presented to His Majesty's Command,—Copy of Abstract Account of the Receipts and Payments of the King's and Lord Treasurer's Revenues in Scotland, in the year 1925, in the administration of Estates and Treasures Trove on behalf of the Crown; and of alphabetical Lists 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.

Copy of Statement showing the Cash Transactions in the year ended 31st March 1925, in respect of (a) of Vote of Credit Excess Receipts from Trading Services to 31st March 1919, and (b) of Trading and other operations financed from these receipts, and from the proceeds of Sale of Stocks, &c., purchased out of the Vote of Credit, with the Report of the Comptroller and Auditor-General thereon.

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

Ordered, That there be laid before this House, a Copy of Statement of Revenue and Expenditure as laid before the House by Mr. Chancellor of the Exchequer when opening the Budget.—No. 69. (Mr. M'Neil.)

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

Mr. William Nicholson reported from the Committee of Selection that they had discharged the following Member from Standing Committee C.
Ordered, That the Report do lie upon the Table.

Colonel Sir John Gilmore, supported by the Lord Advocate, Mr. Solicitor General for Scotland, and Captain Elliot, presented a Bill to amend the Law with respect to betting in Scotland, and for purposes incidental thereto or connected therewith: 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).—(The Prime Minister.)

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

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(In the Committee.)

CUSTOMS AND EXCISE.

Continuation of Duty on Tea.

1. Resolved, That the Customs duty charged on tea until the first day of August, nineteen hundred and twenty-six, shall continue to be charged on and after that date until the first day of August, nineteen hundred and twenty-seven, that is to say—

Tea - - the pound fourpence.

And it is declared that it is expedient in the public interest that this Resolution shall have statutory effect under the provisions of the Finance Act, 1925, in respect of such motor cars, chassis, component parts and accessories as are mentioned in the said subsection (4) shall as from the first day of May, nineteen hundred and twenty-six, cease to have effect, except as respects any such cars, chassis, parts or accessories which are shown to the satisfaction of the Commissioners of Customs and Excise to have been imported and entered before the said first day of May.

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

—(Mr. Chancellor of the Exchequer.)

Continuation of Additional Medicine Duty (Excise).

2. Resolved, That the additional duties of Excise on medicines imposed by section eleven of the Finance (No. 2) Act, 1915, and continued by section two of the Finance Act, 1925, until the first day of August, nineteen hundred and twenty-six, shall continue to be charged on and after that date until the first day of August, nineteen hundred and twenty-seven.

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

—(Mr. Chancellor of the Exchequer.)

Betting Duty.

3. Resolved, That on and after the first day of November, nineteen hundred and twenty-six, there shall be charged the following Excise duties:

(1) On every bet made with a bookmaker a duty equal to five per centum of the amount paid or offered or promised to be paid to, or to the order or for the use of, the bookmaker;

(2) On a certificate to be taken out annually by a person carrying on the business of a bookmaker a duty of ten pounds;

(3) On a certificate to be taken out annually in respect of the entry for premises to be used or kept by a bookmaker for the purposes of his business a duty of ten pounds.

Provided that neither the imposition of the duties aforesaid nor anything done in pursuance of this Resolution or in connection with the said duties shall operate so as to render lawful any betting in any manner or place in which it is now unlawful.—(Mr. Chancellor of the Exchequer.)

Trade Motor Cars.

4. Resolved, That the exemption from Customs duty which is given by subsection (4) of section thirteen of the Finance (No. 2) Act, 1915, as applied by section three of the Finance Act, 1925, in respect of such motor cars, chassis, component parts and accessories as are mentioned in the said subsection (4) shall as from the first day of May, nineteen hundred and twenty-six, cease to have effect, except as respects any such cars, chassis, parts or accessories which are shown to the satisfaction of the Commissioners of Customs and Excise to have been manufactured or produced more than one hundred years before the date of importation.

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

—(Mr. Chancellor of the Exchequer.)

Antiques.

5. Resolved, That as from the first day of May, nineteen hundred and twenty-six, Customs duties shall not be charged in respect of any goods (other than spirits or wines) which are proved to the satisfaction of the Commissioners of Customs and Excise to have been manufactured or produced more than one hundred years before the date of importation.

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

—(Mr. Chancellor of the Exchequer.)

SAFEGUARDING OF KEY INDUSTRIES.

Continuance of Section 1 of Safeguarding of Industries Act, 1921.

6. Resolved, That—

(a) the duties of Customs imposed by section one of the Safeguarding of Industries Act, 1921, for a period of five years expiring on the nineteenth day of August, nineteen hundred and twenty-six, on the goods specified in the Schedule to that Act shall, subject to the provisions of this Resolution, continue to be charged for a further period of ten years from the said day at the rates at which they are then in force; and

(b) in the case of optical glass and the other goods specified in the first paragraph of the Schedule to the said Act, the duties of Customs chargeable thereon shall, as from the first day of May, nineteen hundred and twenty-six, be duties equal to one-half instead of one-third of the value of the goods; and

(c) in the case of arc-lamp carbons the duty of Customs chargeable thereon by section one of the said Act shall, as

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from the first day of May, nineteen hundred and twenty-six, a duty at the rate of one shilling per pound instead of a duty equal to one-third of the value of the goods.

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, 1912. —(Mr. Chancellor of the Exchequer.)

Component part of Articles charged under Section 1 of the Safeguarding of Industries Act, 1921.

7. Resolved, That as from the first day of May, nineteen hundred and twenty-six, until the nineteenth day of August, nineteen hundred and thirty-six, there shall be charged on the importation into Great Britain or Northern Ireland of component parts of optical and scientific instruments chargeable with duty under Section 1 of the Safeguarding of Industries Act, 1921, a duty of Customs equal, in the case of component parts of optical instruments to one-half, and in the case of component parts of scientific instruments to one-third, of the value of the goods, and the provisions of the said Section 1 (other than the provision relating to the rate of duty) shall apply for the purpose of the duty charged by this Resolution as they apply for the purpose of duties under that section.—(Mr. Chancellor of the Exchequer.)

Duty on Amorphous Carbon Electrodes.

8. Resolved, That as from the first day of May, nineteen hundred and twenty-six, until the nineteenth day of August, nineteen hundred and thirty-six, there shall be charged on the importation into Great Britain or Northern Ireland of amorphous carbon electrodes, but not including primary battery carbons or arc-lamp carbons, a duty of Customs equal to one-third of the value of the goods, and the provisions of the said Section 1 (other than the provision relating to the rate of duty) shall apply for the purpose of the duty charged by this Resolution as they apply for the purpose of duties under that section.—(Mr. Chancellor of the Exchequer.)

Duty on Molybdenum, &c.

9. Resolved, That as from the first day of May, nineteen hundred and twenty-six, until the nineteenth day of August, nineteen hundred and thirty-six, there shall be charged on the importation into Great Britain or Northern Ireland of molybdenum, ferro-molybdenum and molybdenum compounds, and vanadium, ferro-vanadium and vanadium compounds, but not including ores or minerals of molybdenum or vanadium, a duty of Customs equal to one-third of the value of the goods, and the provisions of Section 1 of the Safeguarding of Industries Act, 1921 (other than the provision relating to the rate of duty), shall apply for the purpose of the duties charged by this Resolution as they apply for the purposes of duties under that section.—(Mr. Chancellor of the Exchequer.)

Packing and Wrapping Paper.

10. Resolved, That during a period of five years beginning on the first day of May, nineteen hundred and twenty-six, a duty of Customs equal to sixteen and two-thirds per cent. of the value of the goods shall be charged on the importation into Great Britain or Northern Ireland of the following goods, that is to say:—

Paper, whether in sheets or rolls or otherwise, of any description known as packing or wrapping paper, including tissue paper, of a weight when fully extended equivalent to more than ten pounds but not more than ninety pounds to the reel of four hundred and eighty sheets of double crown measuring thirty inches by twenty inches, and articles made either entirely from such paper or from such paper with the addition only of some adhesive substance or other material the value of which does not exceed one-sixth of the total value of the whole article.

For the purpose of this Resolution packing or wrapping paper and tissue paper include any such paper which has been coated or otherwise treated in any manner, but this Resolution shall not extend to vegetable parchment, glazed transparent paper, grease-proof paper, paper which forms part of another article, or paper, or any article made of paper, which at the time of importation is in use as wrapping or packing or as a container of other goods.—(Mr. Chancellor of the Exchequer.)

Mechanically-propelled Vehicles.

11. Resolved, That in lieu of the Excise duties now chargeable in respect of mechanically-propelled vehicles under paragraphs 3, 4, and 5 of the Second Schedule to the Finance Act, 1920, there shall, on and after the first day of January, nineteen hundred and twenty-seven, be charged the duties of Excise specified in the following paragraphs 3, 4, and 5, and references in any other enactment to the full amount of the duties chargeable in respect of such vehicles shall be construed accordingly.

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Having a seating capacity for—

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| More than 8, but not more than 14 persons | 30 0 0 |
| More than 14, but not more than 20 persons | 45 0 0 |
| More than 20, but not more than 26 persons | 60 0 0 |
| More than 26, but not more than 32 persons | 72 0 0 |
| More than 32, but not more than 40 persons | 84 0 0 |
| More than 40, but not more than 48 persons | 96 0 0 |
| More than 48, but not more than 64 persons | 108 0 0 |
| More than 64, but not more than 80 persons | 120 0 0 |
| More than 80 persons | 132 0 0 |

With an additional £110s. for each person in excess of 64 persons.
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Provided that the foregoing provision relating to annual value shall not apply to lands, tenements, and hereditaments in the administrative County of London with respect to which the valuation list under the Valuation (Metropolis) Act, 1869, is by that Act made conclusive for the purposes of Income tax.

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

—(Mr. Chancellor of the Exchequer.)

Income Tax computed on Profits of previous Period.

13. Resolved, That—

(a) where under the provisions of the Income Tax Acts Income tax in respect of profits or gains or income from any source or in respect of the property in lands, tenements, hereditaments, or heritages is required to be computed by reference to the amount of the profits or gains or income of some period preceding the year of assessment, Income tax as so computed shall be charged for the year of assessment notwithstanding that no profits or gains or income arise from that source or that property for or within the year of assessment; and

(b) the foregoing provision shall be deemed always to have had effect in relation to Income tax chargeable in respect of the annual value of lands, tenements, hereditaments, or heritages falling within No. II. or No. III. of Schedule A, in relation to profits falling within Rule 8 of the Rules applicable to Schedule B, and in relation to profits or gains falling within Cases I., II., or VI. of Schedule D.

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

—(Mr. Chancellor of the Exchequer.)


14. Resolved, That the agreement made the fourteenth day of April, nineteen hundred and twenty-six, between the British Government and the Government of the Irish Free State in respect of double Income tax be confirmed, and that for the purposes of the said agreement persons resident in Great Britain or Northern Ireland, whether or not also resident in the Irish Free State, shall be chargeable with Income tax (including Super-tax) in respect of property situate and profits or gains arising in the Irish Free State in such manner and subject to such rules as Parliament may provide by any Act of the present Session relating to finance.—(Mr. Chancellor of the Exchequer.)

Income Tax on Dividends payable out of Revenue of Northern Ireland.

15. Resolved, That Income tax charged on interest, annuities, dividends, and shares or annuities payable out of the public revenue of Northern Ireland shall be paid on behalf of the persons, whether in Great Britain or Northern Ireland or elsewhere, entitled thereto by the persons intrusted with the payment thereof.

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

—(Mr. Chancellor of the Exchequer.)

Deduction of Income Tax in computing Tax for purposes of Excess Profits Duty.

16. Resolved, That—

(a) notwithstanding that an appeal is pending against an assessment to Income tax in respect of the profits of a trade or business, the tax chargeable in accordance with that assessment shall, so far as unpaid, be deemed to be a debt within the meaning of paragraph 2 of Part III. of the Fourth Schedule to the Finance (No. 2) Act, 1915, and the deduction in respect of any such tax shall be made as on the date of the commencement of the first accounting period commencing after the date on which the certificate of assessment which includes the assessment in question was in fact signed by the General or Special Commissioners, as the case may be, or as on the date of the commencement of the first accounting period commencing after the thirty-first day of December in the year for which the tax is assessed, whichever such date of commencement is the later;

Provided that where such an assessment is reduced on appeal, the amounts to be deducted shall be treated as having been the amount of the Income tax on the reduced assessment; and

(b) the foregoing provisions shall be deemed to have had effect as from the commencement of Part III. of the said Act.—(Mr. Chancellor of the Exchequer.)

ROAD FUND AND GENERAL.

Transfer of Sums from Road Fund to Exchequer.

17. Resolved, That the sum of seven million pounds shall be transferred to the Exchequer from the Road Fund.—(Mr. Chancellor of the Exchequer.)

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. Chancellor of the Exchequer):

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

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

Ordered, That the Report be received tomorrow.
The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Land Drainage Bill to-morrow.

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time.

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

The Order of the day being read, for taking into consideration the Local Authorities (Emergency Provisions) Bill, not amended in the Standing Committee; Ordered, That the Bill be taken into consideration to-morrow.

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Resolved, That this House do now adjourn.—Adjournment. (Captain Viscount Curzon.)

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

STANDING COMMITTEES.

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Tuesday, 27th April 1926.

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.:—

Trent Falls Improvement Bill [Lords].
Halifax 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, the Standing Orders which are applicable thereto have been complied with, viz.:—

Ministry of Health Provisional Orders (No. 4) Bill.
Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time to-morrow.

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

Eastbourne Corporation Bill [Lords].
Ordered, That the Report be referred to the Select Committee on Standing Orders.

Mr. Neville Chamberlain presented a Bill to confirm a Provisional Order of the Minister of Health relating to Ilfracombe: And the same was directed to move, That the Bill be referred to the Select Committee on Standing Orders.

Ordered, That the Bill be referred to the Select Committee on Standing Orders; and that the Bill be printed.
Ordered, That the Report do lie upon the Table; and be printed.

Mr. Secretary Amery presented, pursuant to the directions of an Act of Parliament.—Copy of Amendment Rule for Prisons in the Leeward Islands, made by the Governor in Council on 1st February 1926, in substitution for Rule 61 made on 18th August 1909, on the subject of corporal punishment, and rescinding the Rule made on the 16th May 1922.

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

Mr. William Nicholson reported from the Chairmen's Panel: That they had appointed Major Sir Richard Barnett to act as Chairman of Standing Committee A (in respect of the Chartered Associations (Protection of Names and Uniforms) Bill) and Mr. Morgan Jones (in respect of the Home Counties (Music and Dancing) Licensing Bill); and Mr. Samuel Roberts to act as Chairman of Standing Committee B (in respect of the Weights and Measures (Amendment) Bill [ Lords], the Bankruptcy (Amendment) Bill [ Lords], and the Law of Property (Amendment) Bill [ Lords]).

Ordered, That the Report do lie upon the Table.

Colonel Sir Joseph Nall reported from the Local Legislation Committee (Section B): That in the case of the Mynyddislwyn Urban District Council Bill, in pursuance of the Resolution of the Select Committee on Standing Orders of the 24th March last, the Committee had inserted in the Bill the additional proviso referred to in the said Resolution on evidence being given that approval of the Bedworth Council and of the Electors of the Bedworth Urban District under the Borough Funds Acts had been obtained to the additional provision.

Colonel Sir Joseph Nall further reported from the Committee: That they had examined the allegations contained in the Preamble of the Bill, and amended the same so as to make it consistent with the provisions of the Bill as passed by the Committee, and found the same, as amended, to be true; and had gone through the Bill and made Amendments thereunto; and had amended the Title as follows:—A Bill to empower the Urban District Council of Mynyddislwyn to acquire lands for an arterial road; to make further provision in regard to the electricity and gas undertakings of the Council and to the health, good government and finances of their district; to incorporate the West Monmouthshire Omnibus Board and to empower the Board to provide and run omnibus, and for other purposes.

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

Mr. William Nicholson reported from the Committee of Selection: That they had discharged the following Members from Standing Committee A:—Mr. Griffiths, Mr. James Hudson, Mr. Toms, and Mr. Wllshend; and had appointed in substitution: Dr. Skala, Mr. Whiteley, Mr. John Williams, and Mr. Robert Wilson.

Mr. William Nicholson further reported from Standing Committee A: That the said Paper do lie upon the Table; and be printed.

Mr. William Nicholson further reported from the Standing Committee B: That they had discharged the following Fifteen Members from Standing Committee B:—Mr. Griffiths, Mr. Mosley Crooke, Mr. David Davies, Mr. Dunscon, Captain Pocock, Mr. Grove, Mr. Gravett, Captain Gunston, Mr. Lawson, Mr. Jephcott, Mr. John, Mr. Lee, Mr. Lindsay, and Sir Kingsley Wood.

Mr. William Nicholson further reported from Standing Committee B: That they had discharged the following Members from Standing Committee B:—Colonel Crichton, Major-General Sir John Davidson, Mr. Dunscon, Mr. Hugh Edwards, Major Olyn, Captain Hackett, Colonel Sir Arthur Holmes, Lieutenant-General Sir Arthur Holland, Sir Malcolm Macnaghen, Mr. Montague, Mr. Geoffrey Polo, Mr. Philipson, Mr. Edson, Colonel Spender-Clay, and Colonel Weald.

Mr. William Nicholson further reported from Standing Committee B: That they had discharged the following Members from Standing Committee B:—Mr. Secretary Sir Granville Wheler reported the Manchester Ship Canal (Superannuation) Bill (changed to Manchester Ship Canal (Staff Superannuation) Bill), with Amendments.

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

Mr. William Nicholson reported from the Committee of Selection: That they had discharged the following Members from Standing Committee A:—Mr. Griffiths, Mr. James Hudson, Mr. Toms, and Mr. Wllshend; and had appointed in substitution: Dr. Skala, Mr. Whiteley, Mr. John Williams, and Mr. Robert Wilson.

Mr. William Nicholson further reported from Standing Committee A: That they had discharged the following Fifteen Members from Standing Committee A (in respect of the Weights and Measures (Amendment) Bill) :—Colonel Appleton, Mr. Bennett, Mr. Stanley Crooke, Mr. David Davies, Mr. Dunscon, Captain Pocock, Mr. Grove, Mr. Gravett, Captain Gunston, Mr. Lawson, Mr. Jephcott, Mr. John, Mr. Lee, Mr. Lindsay, and Sir Kingsley Wood.

Mr. William Nicholson further reported from Standing Committee B: That they had discharged the following Members from Standing Committee B:—Mr. Griffiths, Mr. Mosley Crooke, Mr. David Davies, Mr. Dunscon, Captain Pocock, Mr. Grove, Mr. Gravett, Captain Gunston, Mr. Lawson, Mr. Jephcott, Mr. John, Mr. Lee, Mr. Lindsay, and Sir Kingsley Wood.
16 Geo. V. 27th April.

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

(In the Committee.)

Amendment of Law.

Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair; and the Deputy Chairman reported, That the Committee had made Progress in the subject matter of the Motion relating to the National Debt, Customs, and Inland Revenue (including Excise), and to make further provision in connection with Finance:

Whereupon Motion made, and Question, That the Chairman do report Progress; and ask leave to sit again—[Commander Eyres-Monsell].—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 taking into consideration the Local Authorities (Emergency Provisions) Bill, not amended in the said Committee.

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

The Order of the day being read, for the Local Rating (Scotland) Bill;—[Lords].—Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time to-morrow.

The Order of the day being read, for the Merchandise Marks (Imported Goods) Bill;—[Lords].—Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time to-morrow.

The Order of the day being read, for taking Local into consideration the Local Authorities (Emergency Provisions) Bill, not amended in the said Committee.

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

The Order of the day being read, for the Secretaries Second Reading of the Secretaries of State Bill;—[Lords].—Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time to-morrow.

The Order of the day being read, for the Markets Second Reading of the Markets and Fairs and Fairs (Weighing of Cattle) Bill [Lords];—[26th April Report].—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 Drainage Bill [Lords];—[Lords].—Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time to-morrow.
The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Post Office (Slips) 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 Lead Paint (Protection against Poisoning) 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 Execution of Process (Protection against Interference with Execution of Process) 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 Roadside Petrol Pumps 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 Juvenile Courts (Scotland) Bill [Lords]; 
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 Coroners (Amendment) Bill; 
Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time upon Tuesday next.

The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Importation of Plumage (Prohibition) Act (1921) Amendment Bill; 
Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time upon Tuesday next.

The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Protection of Animals (Lands, Seas and Streams) 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 Works of Art and Antiquities (Prohibition of Removal) 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 Moneylenders Bill [Lords]; 
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 Illegal Trawling (Scotland) Penalties Bill; 
Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time upon Wednesday the 5th day of May next.

The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Temperance (Wales and Monmouthshire) Bill; 
Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time upon Wednesday the 9th day of May next.

The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Works of Art and Antiquities (Prohibition of Removal) Bill; 
Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time upon Friday next.
The Order of the day being read, the adjourned Debate on the Question proposed upon the 19th day of February last, That the Town Tenants Bill be now read a second time,

Ordered, That the Debate be further adjourned till Wednesday the 12th day of May next.

The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Merchandise Marks Acts (1887 to 1911) Amendment Bill;

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

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

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time on Wednesday the 5th day of May next.

The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Asylums Officers' Superannuation (Amendment) Bill;

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time on Friday next.

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

Then the Bill was read the third time and Ordered, That the Clerk do carry the Bill to the Lords, and desire their concurrence.

The House proceeded to take into consideration the Kingston-upon-Hull Corporation Bill, as amended in the Committee.

Ordered, That the Bill be read the third time.

The House proceeded to take into consideration the Ramseytown Urban District Council Bill, as amended in the Committee.

Ordered, That the Bill be read the third time.

The Ministry of Health Provisional Orders (No. 4) Bill, was, according to Order, read a second time, and committed.

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Lord Eustace Percy presented, pursuant to the directions of an Act of Parliament,—Copy of Regulations, dated 31st March 1926, made by the Board of Education with the consent of the Treasury, and after consultation with representatives of Local Education Authorities and teachers affected, under the Teachers (Superannuation) Act, 1922.

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

Mr. Neville Chamberlain presented, pursuant to the directions of several Acts of Parliament,—Copy of Regulations, dated 19th April 1926, entitled the Contributory Pensions (Regulation for Death Certificates) Regulations, 1926.

Copy of Regulations, dated 31st March 1926, entitled the National Health Insurance (Deposits and Contributions) Amendment Regulations, 1926.

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

Mr. Neville presented, by His Majesty's Remembrancer Command,—Copy of Report of the Committee, on Schemes of Assistance to Necessitous Areas.

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

Mr. Neville reported from the Select Committee on Standing Orders a Resolution; which was read as follows:

That in the case of the Southern Railway Southern Bill, Petition for additional Provision, the Railway Bill, 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.

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 Dunfermline (Towns and District Tramways) (Extension) Order Confirmation Bill, without any Amendment.

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

The Lords have passed a Bill, intituled An Act to amend the Law with respect to the constitution and extension of County Boroughs and to amend the Local Government (Adjustments) Act, 1912; to which the Lords desire the concurrence of this House.

The Lords have passed a Bill, intituled An Act to amend the Local Government (Extensions) Ordinance, 1887, relating to appeal in criminal cases tried on indictment to the Courts of Session; to which the Lords desire the concurrence of this House.

The Lords have passed a Bill, intituled An Act to amend the Law of Scotland relating to appeals in criminal cases tried on indictment to the Court of Session; to which the Lords desire the concurrence of this House.

The Lords have passed a Bill, intituled An Act to provide for the transfer of the water undertaking of the Connah's Quay Gas, Water and Coal Company, Limited, to the Urban District Council of Connah's Quay; to authorise the Council to supply water in their district; and for other purposes; to which the Lords desire the concurrence of this House.

The Lords have passed a Bill, intituled An Act to empower the Taf Fechan Water Supply Board to acquire lands; to extend the time for the construction of waterworks by

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Wednesday, 28th April 1926.

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

PRAYERS.

A MOTION being made, That the Great Western Railway Bill be now read the third time;

Captain Fitzroy, 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 acquainted the House, That His Majesty, gives His Consent, as far as His Majesty's having been informed of the purport of the Bill, as 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 Kingston-upon-Hull Corporation Bill, as amended in the Committee.

Ordered, That the Bill be read the third time.

The House proceeded to take into consideration the Ramseytown Urban District Council Bill, as amended in the Committee.

Ordered, That the Bill be read the third time.

The Ministry of Health Provisional Orders (No. 4) Bill, was, according to Order, read a second time, and committed.

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the Board, and for other purposes; to which the Lords desire the concurrence of this House.

The Lords have passed a Bill, intituled An Act to provide a new constitution for the London Road Congregational Chapel and the net proceeds of the sale of the trust property in Hanover Place, to re-incorporate the same, and for other purposes; to which the Lords desire the concurrence of this House.

The Connoah’s Quay Urban District Council Water Bill (Lords) was read the first time.

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

The Taf Fechan Water Supply Bill (Lords) was read the first time.

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

Messrs. Spender-Clay presented a Bill to confirm a Scheme of the Charity Commissioners for the application or management of the two charities consisting of the Allhallows Charity and the charity called the Hospital of Robert Earl of Leicester, in Warwick, in the County of Warwick: And the same was ordered to be read a second time upon Monday next; and to be printed.

Colonel Spender-Clay presented a Bill to confirm a Scheme of the Charity Commissioners for the application or management of the charity called the Hospital of Robert Earl of Leicester, in Warwick, in the County of Warwick: And the same was ordered to be read a second time upon Monday next; and to be printed.

Colonel Spender-Clay presented a Bill to confirm a Scheme of the Charity Commissioners for the application or management of the charity called the Hospital of Robert Earl of Leicester, in Warwick, in the County of Warwick: And the same was ordered to be read a second time upon Monday next; and to be printed.

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

In the Committee.

Amendment 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 to make further provision in connection with Finance.

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

Ordered, That the Report be referred to the Committee on Finance (National Debt), a Resolution; which was read, as followeth:

That for the purposes of any Act of the present Session to make provision, among other matters, for amending the Law relating to the National Debt, it is expedient—

(a) to charge on the Consolidated Fund the principal and interest of any securities issued under the said Act in exchange for war savings certificates or national savings certificates, and any expenses incurred in connection with such exchange and the issue of the new securities; and

(b) to charge on the Consolidated Fund any additional remuneration to the Bank of England or the Bank of Ireland in respect of the management of securities issued as aforesaid.

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

Major Cope reported from the Committee on Finance (Sinking Fund), a Resolution; which was read, as followeth:

That for the purposes of any Act of the present Session to make provision, among other matters, for amending the Law relating to the National Debt, it is expedient to authorise as respects the current financial year the issue out of the Consolidated Fund, in respect of the New Sinking Fund (1923), of the sum of ten million pounds in addition to the sum now authorised to be so issued in that respect.

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

Resolved, That the Government should insist on the urgent necessity for Local Authorities to make adequate provision in town-planning schemes for the reservation of open spaces, and, if necessary, to provide some more effective power to enable Local Authorities to acquire land for recreation in all cases where it cannot be purchased on fair terms by negotiation.—(Mr. Cadogan.)

The Order of the day being read, for the Protection of Animals (Sinking Fund) Bill; the Committee of Ways and Means resolved itself into Committee of the Whole House.

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

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

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

Mr. Arthur Michael Samuel reported from Finance, the Committee on Finance (National Debt), a Resolution; which was read, as followeth:

Resolved, That the Report be received to-morrow.

Moved, That the Bill be read a second time, and to be printed.

The Order of the day being read, for the Protection of Animals (Sinking Fund) Bill;
Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time upon Monday next.

The Order of the day being read, for receiving the Report from the Committee of Ways and Means of the 29th day of this instant April;
Ordered, That the Report be received upon Monday next.

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

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

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

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

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Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time the said Paper do lie upon the Table.

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

Ordered, That the Minutes of the Proceedings No. 71.

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Ordered, That this House will, to-morrow, 

Ordered, That the Standing Orders have not been complied with, viz. —
Stoke-on-Trent Corporation (Lords).

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

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

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

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

The Lords have agreed to the Army and Air Force (Annual) Bill, without any Amendment.

Mr. William Nicholson reported from the Standing Committee B (in respect of the Weights and Measures (Amendment) Bill [Lords]) and the Bankruptcy (Amendment) Bill [Lords]:—Sir Burton Chadwick and Mr. Solness General.

Ordered, That the Reports do lie upon the Table.

Mr. Herbert Williams, supported by Sir Martin Conway, Rear-Admiral Scudder, Mr. Colonel Broseck and Mr. Pollock, presented a Bill to provide for the registration of Engineers: And the same was ordered to be printed.

A Motion was made, and the Question being put, That the Proceedings on Government Business be exempted, at this day’s Sitting, from the provisions of the Standing Order (Sittings of the House)—(Secretary Sir WilliamJoyce-Hicks);

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

Tellers for the [Colonel Gibbs, Yeas, ]
Sir Harry Barnston;
Tellers for the [Mr. Warne, Noses, ]
Mr. Benjamin Smith;

So it was resolved in the Affirmative.

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 Committee on the Civil Services and Revenue Departments Estimates)—(Colonel Gibbs);

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 urges the need of utilising every opportunity to develop trade within the Empire"—(Mr. Waddington),—instead thereof.

And the Question being proposed, That the words proposed to be left out stand part of the Question:

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, 1919, 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. Allotments (Scotland) Act, 1926.
3. Dunfermline and District Tramways (Extensions) Order Confirmation Act, 1926.

Parish of Manchester Division Act, 1890 (Amendment), Measure, 1926.

And the Question being again proposed, That the words proposed to be left out stand part of the Question, That Mr. Speaker do now leave the Chair;

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

And the Main Question being put;

Ordered, That Mr. Speaker do now leave the Chair.

The House accordingly resolved itself into Supply, the Committee of Supply.

(In the Committee.)

Civil Services and Revenue Departments Estimates, 1926-27.

Class I.

1. £984,100 for Expenditure in respect of Customs and Excise, Inland Revenue, Post Office and Telegraph Buildings in Great Britain, certain Post Offices Abroad, and for certain Expenses in connection with Boats and Launches belonging to the Customs and Excise Department.

2. £348,200 for Expenditure in respect of Employment Exchange and Insurance Buildings, Great Britain (including Ministries of Labour and Health).

3. £142,550 for Expenditure in respect of Royal Parks and Pleasure Gardens.

4. £129,475, for Expenditure in respect of Diplomatic and Consular Buildings.

5. £1,075,110 for Expenditure in respect of sundry Public Buildings in Great Britain not provided for on other Votes, including Historic Buildings, Ancient Monuments, and Brompton Cemetery.


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

Ordered, That the Report be received tomorrow.

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

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

The Order of the day being read, for the Post Office (Sites) Bill.

Ordered, That the Bill be committed to a Select Committee of Five Members, Three to be nominated by the House and Two by the Committee of Selection.

Ordered, That all Petitions against the Bill, presented Five clear days before the meeting of the Committee, be referred to the Committee.

Ordered, That the Petitioners praying to be heard by themselves, their Counsel, or Agents, be heard against the Bill, and Counsel or Agents heard in support of the Bill.

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

Ordered, That Three be the quorum of the Committee. — (Viscount Wolmer.)

The Order of the day being read, for receiving the Report from the Committee of Ways and Means of the 28th day of this instant April.

Ordered, That the Report be received upon Monday next.

The Order of the day being read, for the Rating (Scotland) 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 Bermondsey Borough Council (Street Trading) Bill, as amended in the Standing Committee;

Ordered, That the Bill be read the third time.

The Order of the day being read, for taking into consideration the Bermondsey Borough Council (Street Trading) Bill, as amended in the Standing Committee;

Ordered, That the Bill be read the third time.

The House proceeded to take into consideration the Bristol Water Bill [Lords.], as amended in the Committee.

Ordered, That the Bill be read the third time.

The House proceeded to take into consideration the Bristol Water Bill [Lords.], as amended in the Committee.

Ordered, That the Bill be read the third time.

Ordered, That the Petitioners praying to be heard against the Bill, and Counsel or Agents heard by themselves, their Counsel, or Agents, be heard in support of the Bill.

Ordered, That the Petitioners praying to be heard in support of the Bill.

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

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

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

The Order of the day being read, for the Lead Paint (Protection against Poisoning) Bill;

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

The Order of the day being read, for the Execution of Diligence (Scotland) Bill [Lords.]

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

The Order of the day being read, for the Secretaries of State Bill;

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

The Order of the day being read, for the Environmental Commodities (Protection from Dangers) Bill;

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

The Order of the day being read, for the Post Office (Sites) Bill.

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The Order of the day being read, for the Rating (Scotland) Bill;

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

The Order of the day being read, for the Coroners (Amendment) Bill [Lords.]

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

The Order of the day being read, for the Lead Paint (Protection against Poisoning) Bill;

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

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The Order of the day being read, for the Rating (Scotland) Bill;

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

The Order of the day being read, for the Coroners (Amendment) Bill [Lords.]

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

The House met at Eleven of the clock.

PRAYERS.

The House proceeded to take into consideration the Bristol Cemetery Bill [Lords.], as amended in the Committee.

Ordered, That the Bill be read the third time.

The House proceeded to take into consideration the Bristol Water Bill [Lords.], as amended in the Committee.

Ordered, That the Bill be read the third time.

Ordered, That the Petitioners praying to be heard against the Bill, and Counsel or Agents heard by themselves, their Counsel, or Agents, be heard in support of the Bill.

Ordered, That the Petitioners praying to be heard in support of the Bill.

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

Ordered, That the Moveable Dwellings Bill Moveable Dwellings Bill be read a second time upon Monday the 10th day of May next.

Ordered, That the Heather Burning (Scotland) Bill, as amended in the Standing Committee, be taken into consideration upon Monday next.
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<td>An Amendment was proposed to be made to the Question, by leaving out the word &quot;now,&quot; and, at the end of the Question, adding the words &quot;upon this day six months.&quot;—(Major Kindersley.)</td>
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<td>And the Question being proposed, That the word &quot;now&quot; stand part of the Question:—And a Debate arising thereupon;</td>
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<td>Resolved, That this House will, upon Monday next, resolve itself into the said Committee.</td>
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<td>Whereupon Mr. Speaker adjourned the House without Question put, pursuant to Standing Order No. 3, it being then four minutes after Four of the clock, till Monday next.</td>
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**[No. 58.]**

**Monday, 3rd May 1926.**

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

**PRAYERS.**

A MOTION being made, That the Kingston-upon-Hull Corporation Bill be now read a second time;

Mr. Hope, 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 Ramsbottom Urban District Council Bill was read the third time and passed.

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

The House proceeded to take into consideration the Middlesbrough Corporation Bill, as amended in the Committee.

Ordered, That the Bill be read the third time.

The House proceeded to take into consideration the Mynyddislwyn Urban District Council Bill, as amended in the Committee.

Ordered, That the Bill be read the third time.

The Halifax Corporation Bill [Lords] was read a second time, and committed.

The Trent Falls Improvement Bill [Lords] was read a second time, and committed.


Ordered, That the said Paper do lie upon the Table.
Prisons (Visiting Committee.)

Secretary Sir William Joynson Hicks presented, pursuant to the directions of an Act of Parliament.—Copies of Draft Rules proposed to be made by the Secretary of State for the Home Department, under the Prisons Acts, 1877 and 1898, with respect to the constitution of the Visiting Committees of—

(1) Gloucester prison;  
(2) Swansea prison.

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

Treaty Series (No. 5, 1926.)

Secretary Sir Austen Chamberlain presented, by His Majesty’s Command,—Copy of Treaty between the United Kingdom and Siam for the revision of their Mutual Treaty Arrangements and Protocol concerning Jurisdiction applicable in Siam to British subjects, &c. Signed at London, 14th July 1925 (Ratifications exchanged at London, 30th March 1926).

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

Treaty Series (No. 6, 1926.)

Copy of Notes exchanged between the United Kingdom and Siam. Signed at London, 14th July 1925 (Ratifications exchanged at London, 30th March 1926).

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

Treaty Series (No. 9, 1926.)

Copy of Notes exchanged between the United Kingdom and Siam in connection with the General and Commercial Treaties between the United Kingdom and Siam. Signed at London, 14th July 1925. London, 14th July to 15th September 1925.

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

League of Nations (Miscellanea- 
ous, No. 4, 1926.)


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

League of Nations (Miscellaneous, No. 5, 1926.)

Copy of Report of the British Delegates to the Special Assembly of the League of Nations held at Geneva, 8th to 17th March 1926.

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

United States (No. 1, 1926.)

Copy of Correspondence between His Majesty’s Government and the United States Government regarding Administrative Measures to be taken by the British Authorities in order to assist the United States Government in the Prevention of Liquefied Smuggling from the sea. Washington, 27th March to 26th April 1926.

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

Teachers (Superannuation) Act, 1922.

Lord Eustace Percy presented, pursuant to the directions of an Act of Parliament,—Copy of the Report of the Board of Education, with the consent of the Treasury, under Section 21 (1) (b) of the Teachers (Superannuation) Act, 1922, relating to Juveniles Unemployment Centres and Home Training Centres aid granted from the Minister of Labour.

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

Navy, Army, and Air Force (Supernumerary.)

Mr. M’Neill presented, by His Majesty’s Command,—Copy of Report of the Committee on the Training of Officers common to the Navy, Army, and Air Force.

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

London Bridges.

Colonel Ashley presented, by His Majesty’s Command,—Copy of Report, dated 1st April 1926, on London Bridges, by Sir Henry Maybury, R.C.M.O., Director-General of Roads to the Ministry of Transport, and an Addendum to the Report by the London and Home Counties Traffic Advisory Committee.

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

Sir John Ganasci reported from the Committee of Private Bills, that the Bill (Group A) had adjourned till Thursday next, at half-past Eleven of the clock.

Ordered, That the Report do lie upon the Table.

The Prime Minister, at the Bar, acquainted the House, That, His Majesty has 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 is as follows:—

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 30th day of April 1926, to declare that a state of emergency exists.

A Motion was made, and the Question being put, That an humble Address be presented to His Majesty thanking His Majesty for His Most Gracious Message communicating to this House that His Majesty has deemed it proper by Proclamation, made in pursuance of the Emergency Powers Act, 1926, and dated the 30th day of April 1926, to declare that a state of emergency exists—(The Prime Minister);  

The House divided.

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

Tellers for the Yeas—[Commander Eyres-Monsell, Colonel Gibbs; Mr. Warne, Mr. Maybury, County Traffic Advisory Committee.]

Tellers for the Noses—[Commander Eyres-Monsell; Mr. Hayes:]

So it was resolved in the Affirmative.

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 Members of His Majesty’s Household.

A Motion was made, and the Question being Agreed to, That this House do now adjourn—(Commander Eyres-Monsell; Mr. Hayes:).
And it being Eleven of the clock the Motion for the Adjournment of the House lapsed without Question put.

Colonel Sir John Gilmour reported from the Committee of Ways and Means of the 26th day of April last, several Resolutions; which were read, as follow:

CUSTOMS AND EXCISE.

Continuation of Duty on Tea.

1. That the Customs duty charged on tea until the first day of August, nineteen hundred and twenty-six, shall continue to be charged on and after that date until the first day of August, nineteen hundred and twenty-seven, that is to say:—

Tea - the pound fourpence.

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 Duty (Excise).

2. That the additional duties of Excise imposed by section eleven of the Finance (No. 2) Act, 1915, and continued by section two of the Finance Act, 1925, until the first day of August, nineteen hundred and twenty-six, shall continue to be charged on and after that date until the first day of August, nineteen hundred and twenty-seven.

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 Duty (Excise).

3. That on and after the first day of November, nineteen hundred and twenty-six, there shall be charged the following Excise duties:—

(1) On every bet made with a bookmaker, a duty equal to five per centum of the amount paid or offered or promised to be paid to, or on the order for the use of, the bookmaker;

(2) On a certificate to be taken out annually by a person carrying on the business of a bookmaker a duty of ten pounds;

(3) On a certificate to be taken out annually in respect of the entry for premises to be used or kept by a bookmaker for the purposes of his business a duty of ten pounds.

Provided that neither the imposition of the duties aforesaid nor anything done in pursuance of this Resolution or in connection with the said duties shall operate so as to render lawful any betting in any manner or place in which it is now unlawful.

Trade Motor Cars.

4. That the exemption from Customs duty which is given by subsection (4) of section thirteen of the Finance (No. 2) Act, 1915, as applied by section three of the Finance Act, 1925, in respect of such motor cars, chassis, component parts and accessories as are mentioned in the said subsection (4) shall, as from the first day of May, nineteen hundred and twenty-six, cease to have effect, except as respects any such cars, chassis, parts or accessories which are shown to the satisfaction of the Commissioners of Customs and Excise to have been imported and entered before the said first day of May.

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.

Antiques.

5. That as from the first day of May, nineteen hundred and twenty-six, Customs duties shall not be charged in respect of any goods (other than spirits or wines) which are proved to the satisfaction of the Commissioners of Customs and Excise to have been manufactured or produced more than one hundred years before the date of importation.

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.

SAFEGUARDING OF KEY INDUSTRIES.

Continuance of Section 1 of Safeguarding of Industries Act, 1921.

6. That—

(a) the duties of Customs imposed by section one of the Safeguarding of Industries Act, 1921, for a period of five years expiring on the nineteenth day of August, nineteen hundred and twenty-six, be modified in the case of optical glass and the other goods specified in the Schedule to that Act, subject to the provisions of this Resolution, continue to be charged for a further period of ten years from the said date at the rates at which they are then in force; and

(b) in the case of optical glass and the other goods specified in the first paragraph of the Schedule to the said Act, the duties of Customs chargeable thereon shall, as from the first day of May, nineteen hundred and twenty-six, be duties equal to one-half instead of one-third of the value of the goods; and

(c) in the case of arc-lamp carbons the duty of Customs chargeable thereon by section one of the said Act shall, as from the first day of May, nineteen hundred and twenty-six, be a duty at the rate of one shilling per pound instead of a duty equal to one-third of the value of the goods.

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.

Component part of Articles charged under Section 1 of the Safeguarding of Industries Act, 1921.

7. That as from the first day of May, nineteen hundred and twenty-six, the duties of Customs imposed by section one of the said Act shall, as from the first day of May, nineteen hundred and twenty-six, be modified in the case of optical glass and the other goods specified in the Schedule to that Act, subject to the provisions of this Resolution, continue to be charged for a further period of ten years from the said date at the rates at which they are then in force; and

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.
under Section 1 of the Safeguarding of Industries Act, 1921, a duty of Customs equal to one-third of the value of the goods, and the provisions of the said Section 1 (other than the provision relating to the rate of duty) shall apply for the purpose of the duty charged by this Resolution as they apply for the purpose of duties under that section.

Duty on Amorphous Carbon Electrodes.

8. That as from the first day of May, nineteen hundred and twenty-six, until the nineteenth day of August, nineteen hundred and thirty-six, there shall be charged on the importation into Great Britain or Northern Ireland of amorphous carbon electrodes, but not including primary battery carbons or arc-lamp carbons, a duty of Customs equal to one-third of the value of the goods, and the provisions of the said Section 1 (other than the provision relating to the rate of duty) shall apply for the purpose of the duty charged by this Resolution as they apply for the purpose of duties under that section.

Duty on Molybdenum, &c.

9. That as from the first day of May, nineteen hundred and twenty-six, until the nineteenth day of August, nineteen hundred and thirty-six, there shall be charged on the importation into Great Britain or Northern Ireland of molybdenum, ferro-molybdenum and molybdenum compounds, and vanadium, ferro-vanadium and vanadium compounds, but not including ores or minerals of molybdenum or vanadium, a duty of Customs equal to one-third of the value of the goods, and the provisions of the said Section 1 (other than the provision relating to the rate of duty), shall apply for the purpose of the duty charged by this Resolution as they apply for the purpose of duties under that section.

Packing and Wrapping Paper.

10. That during a period of five years beginning on the first day of May, nineteen hundred and twenty-six, a duty of Customs equal to sixteen and two-thirds per cent, of the value of the goods shall be charged on the importation into Great Britain or Northern Ireland of the following goods, that is to say:—

Paper, whether in sheets or rolls or otherwise, of any description known as packing or wrapping paper, including tissue paper, of a weight when fully extended equivalent to more than ten pounds but not more than ninety pounds to the ream of four hundred and eighty sheets of double crown measuring thirty inches by twenty inches, and articles made either entirely from such paper or from such paper with the addition only of some adhesive substance or other material the value of which does not exceed one-sixth of the total value of the whole article.

For the purpose of this Resolution packing or wrapping paper and tissue paper include any such paper which has been coated or otherwise treated in any manner, but this Resolution shall not extend to vegetable parchment, glazed transparent paper, greaseproof paper, paper which forms part of another article, or paper, or any article made of paper, which at the time of importation is in use as wrapping or packing or as a container of other goods.

Mechanically-propelled Vehicles.

11. That in lieu of the Excise duties mechanically-propelled vehicles under paragraphs 3, 4, and 5 of the Second Schedule to the Finance Act, 1920, there shall, on and after the first day of January, nineteen hundred and twenty-seven, be charged the duties of Excise specified in the following paragraphs 3, 4, and 5, and references in any other enactment to the full amount of the duties chargeable in respect of such vehicles shall be construed accordingly.

3. Vehicles, being hackney carriages as defined in Section 4 of the Customs and Inland Revenue Act, 1888:—

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<td>For the purposes of this paragraph the number of persons mentioned does not include the driver of the vehicle, and the seating capacity of the vehicle shall be determined in accordance with provisions to be made by regulations under Section 12 of the Roads Act, 1920,</td>
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<td>4.—(1) Locomotive ploughing engines, tractors, agricultural tractors, and other agricultural engines, not being engines or tractors used for hauling on roads any objects except their own necessary gear, threshing appliances, farming implements, or supplies of fuel or water required for the purposes of the vehicle or for agricultural purposes</td>
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<td>(2) Tractors, agricultural tractors, and agricultural engines, other than such tractors or engines in respect of which a duty of 5s. is chargeable, used for haulage solely in connection with agriculture— Not exceeding 5 tons in weight unladen</td>
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<td>(3) Road locomotives used solely in agriculture and agricultural engines, other than such engines in respect of which duty is chargeable under paragraph (1) or paragraph (2):— Not exceeding 8 tons in weight unladen</td>
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<td>(4) Vehicles of the following descriptions, used at any time otherwise than in connection with agriculture, that is to say, vehicles which are constructed for haulage solely and not for the purpose of carrying or having superimposed upon them any load except such as is necessary for their propulsion or equipment and which are not used for that purpose— Not exceeding 2 tons in weight unladen</td>
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<td>5. Vehicles (including tricycles weighing more than 8 cwt. unladen) constructed or adapted for use and used for the conveyance of goods or burden of any description, whether in the course of trade or otherwise:— Being vehicles which are electrically-propelled and which do not exceed 25 cwt. in weight unladen</td>
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12. That—

(a) Income tax shall be charged for the income tax.

year beginning the sixth day of April, nineteen hundred and twenty-six, at the rate of four 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-five; and

(b) all such enactments as had effect with respect to the income tax and super-tax charged for the year beginning the sixth day of April, nineteen hundred and twenty-five, shall have effect with respect to the tax charged for the year beginning the sixth day of April, nineteen hundred and twenty-six, subject to the provisions of the Tithe Act, 1896; and

(c) The annual value of any property which has been adopted for the purposes of income tax under Schedules A and B for the year beginning the sixth day of April, nineteen hundred and twenty-five, shall be taken as the annual value of that property for the same purpose for the year beginning the sixth day of April, nineteen hundred and twenty-six:

Provided that the foregoing provision relating to annual value shall not apply to lands, tenements, and hereditaments in the administrative County of London with respect to which the valuation list for the year beginning the sixth day of April, nineteen hundred and twenty-five, at the rate of four shillings in the pound, and the same super-tax shall be charged for the year beginning the sixth day of April, nineteen hundred and twenty-five; and

13. That—

(a) where under the provisions of the income tax acts income tax in respect of profits or gains or income from any previous period is required to be computed by reference to the amount of the profits or gains or income of some

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**INCOME TAX.**

**Charge of Tax.**
period preceding the year of assessment, Income tax as so computed shall be charged for the year of assessment notwithstanding that no profits or gains or income arise from that source or that property for or within the year of assessment; and

(b) the foregoing provision shall be deemed always to have had effect in relation to Income tax chargeable in respect of the annual value of lands, tenements, hereditaments, or heritage\textsuperscript{s} falling within No. II. or No. III. of Schedule A, in relation to profits falling within Rule 8 of the Rules applicable to Schedule B, and in relation to profits or gains falling within Cases I., II., or VI. of Schedule D.

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.


14. That the agreement made the fourteenth day of April, nineteen hundred and twenty-six, between the British Government and the Government of the Irish Free State in respect of double Income tax be confirmed, and that for the purposes of the said agreement persons resident in Great Britain or Northern Ireland, whether or not also resident in the Irish Free State, shall be chargeable with Income tax (including Super-tax) in respect of property situate and profits or gains arising in the Irish Free State in such manner and subject to such rules as Parliament may provide by any Act of the present Session relating to finance.

Income Tax on Dividends payable out of Revenue of Northern Ireland.

15. That Income tax charged on interest, annuities, dividends, and shares of annuities payable out of the public revenue of Northern Ireland shall be paid on behalf of the persons, whether in Great Britain or Northern Ireland or elsewhere, entitled thereto by the persons intrusted with the payment thereof.

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.

Deduction of Income Tax in computing Tax for purposes of Excess Profits Duty.

16. That—

(a) notwithstanding that an appeal is pending against an assessment to Income tax in respect of the profits of a trade or business, the tax chargeable in accordance with that assessment shall, so far as unpaid, be deemed to be a debt within the meaning of paragraph 2 of Part III. of the Fourth Schedule to the Finance (No. 2) Act, 1915, and the deduction in respect of any such tax shall be made as on the date of the commencement of the first accounting period commencing after the date on which the certificate of assessment which includes the assessment in question was in fact signed by the General or Special Commissioners, as the case may be, or as on the date of the commencement of the first accounting period commencing after the thirty-first day of December in the year for which the tax is assessed, whichever such date of commencement is the later;

Provided that where such an assessment is reduced on appeal, the amount to be deducted shall be treated as having been the amount of the Income tax on the reduced assessment; and

(b) the foregoing provisions shall be deemed to have had effect as from the commencement of Part III. of the said Act.

Road Fund and General.

Transfer of Sums from Road Fund to Exchequer.

17. That the sum of seven million pounds\textsuperscript{a} Road Fund shall be transferred to the Exchequer from the Road Fund.

The First and Second Resolutions, being read a second time, were agreed to. Ordered, That consideration of the Third and subsequent Resolutions be now adjourned. (Commander Eyres-Monsell.)

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

The Order of the day being read, for receiving Ways and Means of the 28th day of April last, several Resolutions; which were read, as follow:

Civil Services and Revenue Departments

1. That a sum not exceeding £884,100 be Revenues Buildings, granted to His Majesty, to complete the sum necessary to defray the charge which will in course of payment during the year ending on the 31st day of March 1927 for Expenditure in respect of Customs and Excise, Inland Revenue, Post Office and Telegraph Buildings in Great Britain, certain Post Offices Abroad, and for certain Expenses in connection with Posts and Launches belonging to the Customs and Excise Department.

2. That a sum not exceeding £348,200 be Labour and Health Buildings, granted to His Majesty, to complete the sum necessary to defray the charge which will in course of payment during the year ending on the 31st day of March 1927 for Expenditure in respect of Employment Exchange and Insurance Buildings, Great Britain (including Ministries of Labour and Health).

3. That a sum not exceeding £145,550 be Royal Parks and Gardens, granted to His Majesty, to complete the sum necessary to defray the charge which will in course of payment during the year ending on the 31st day of March 1927 for Expenditure in respect of Royal Parks and Pleasure Gardens.

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4. That a sum not exceeding £150,475 be granted to His Majesty, to complete the sum necessary to defray the charge which will come in course of payment during the year ending on the 31st day of March 1927 for Expenditure in respect of Diplomatic and Consular Buildings.

5. That a sum not exceeding £1,057,110 be granted to His Majesty, to complete the sum necessary to defray the charge which will come in course of payment during the year ending on the 31st day of March 1927 for Expenditure in respect of sundry Public Buildings in Great Britain not provided for on other Votes, including Historic Buildings, Ancient Monuments, and Brompton Cemetery.

6. That a sum not exceeding £215,700 be granted to His Majesty, to complete the sum necessary to defray the charge which will come in course of payment during the year ending on the 31st day of March 1927 for Expenditure in respect of Art and Science Buildings, Great Britain.

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

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 Merchandise Marks (Imported Goods) 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 Rating (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 Lead Paint (Protection against Poisoning) Bill;
Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time to-morrow.

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

The Order of the day being read, for the Local Taxation 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 Secretaries of State 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 Execution of Diligence Bill; ('B.U* [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 Coroners (Amendment) Bill [Lords];
Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time to-morrow.

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

The Order of the day being read, for resuming Workmen's Compensation upon the 23rd day of April last, That the Workmen's Compensation 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 Blind Persons Second Reading of the Blind Persons Bill;
Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time upon Monday next.

The Robert Earl of Leicester's Hospital, Robert Warwick, 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 Spender-Clay.)

The Brighton (London Road) Congregational Chapel Charities Bill was, according to Order, read a second time.
Ordered, That the Bill be committed to a Committee of the whole House for to-morrow.—(Colonel Spender-Clay.)
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, 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 Bills be read a second time upon Thursday next.

A Motion was made, and the Question being put, That on Wednesdays, the 5th, 12th, and 19th May, and on Fridays, the 7th, 14th and 21st May, Government Business do have precedence,—(The Prime Minister);

The House divided.

The Yeas to the Right;

The Noes to the Left.

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, 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 Bills be read a second time.

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The House, according to Order, proceeded to take into consideration the Third and subsequent Resolutions which, upon the 3rd day of this instant May, were reported from the Committee of Ways and Means of the 26th day of April last.

The Third 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
Yea,
Mr. Frederick Thorne
282
Lord Stanley:

Noe,
Mr. Benjamin Smith:
122
So it was resolved in the Affirmative.

The Fourth Resolution being read a second time;
And a Motion being made, and the Question being put, That this House doth agree with the Committee in the said Resolution;
The House divided.
The Yeas to the Right;
The Noes to the Left.
Tellers for the
Yea,
Lord Stanley:
301
Captain Bowyer:

Noe,
Mr. Benjamin Smith:
119
So it was resolved in the Affirmative.

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

The Sixth 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
Yea,
Captain Margesson:
314
Captain Bowyer:

Noe,
Mr. Benjamin Smith:
120
So it was resolved in the Affirmative.

The Seventh 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
Yea,
Mr. Harry Barnston:
307

Noe,
Mr. Thomas Hender:
123
So it was resolved in the Affirmative.

Lord Eustace Percy reported from the Ways and Means Committee of Ways and Means of the 28th 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.

Ordered, That a Bill be brought in upon the said Resolutions and upon the Resolutions reported from the Committee of Ways and Means on the 3rd day of this instant May, and agreed to by the House on that day, and upon the Resolutions reported from the Committees of the whole House on the 28th day of April last and agreed to by the House on that day, and that the Chairman of Ways and Means, Mr. Chancellor of the Exchequer, and Mr. M'Neill do prepare and bring it in.

Finance. Mr. Chancellor of the Exchequer accordingly presented a Bill to grant certain duties of Customs and Inland Revenue (including Excise) to alter other duties, and to amend the Law relating to Customs and Inland Revenue (including Excise), and the National Debt, and to make further provision in connection with Finance: And the same was read the first time, and ordered to be read a second time upon Thursday next; and to be printed.

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.

Merchandise Marks (Imported Goods) Bill. The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Merchandise Marks (Imported Goods) Bill;

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

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

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

Local Authorities (Emergency Provisions) Bill. The Order of the day being read, for taking into consideration the Local Authorities (Emergency Provisions) Bill, not amended in the Standing Committee;

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

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

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

Markets and Fairs (Weighing of Cattle) Bill (Lords.) The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Markets and Fairs (Weighing of Cattle) Bill (Lords);

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

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The Order of the day being read, for the Lead Paint (Protection against Poisoning) Bill;

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

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

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

The Order of the day being read, for the Merchandise Marks Bill;

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

The Order of the day being read, for the Executions of the Exchequer, and Mi.

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

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

Ordered, That the House do now adjourn.— Adjournment. (Commander Eyres-Monell.)

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

Wednesday, 5th May 1926.

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

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The Bristol Cemetery Bill [Lords] was Bristol

Ordered, That the Clerk do carry the Bill to the Lords; and acquaint them that this House hath agreed to the same, with Amend-
ments; to which this House doth desire the concurrence of their Lordships.

The Bristol Water Bill [Lords] was Bristol-

Ordered, That the Clerk do carry the Bill to the Lords; and acquaint them that this House hath agreed to the same, with Amend-
ments; to which this House doth desire the concurrence of their Lordships.

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Ministry of Health Provisional Orders (No. 5) Bill was, according to Order, read a second time, and committed.

Ministry of Health Provisional Order (Ilfracombe) Bill was, according to Order, read a second time, and committed.

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


The Ministry of Health Provisional Order (Ilfracombe) Bill was, according to Order, read a second time, and committed.

Secretary Sir Samuel Hoare presented, pursuant to the directions of an Act of Parliament, Copy of Order under the Air Force (Constitution) Act, 1917, amending in certain respects the Regulations appended to His Majesty's Order of 26th October 1924, amending the Regulations which were appended to His Majesty's Order of 29th July 1924, and which are included in a volume entitled the King's Regulations and Air Council Instructions for the Royal Air Force.

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

Electricity (Supply) Acts.

Colonel Asley presented, pursuant to the directions of an Act of Parliament, 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 the Royal Burgh of Inverness.

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

Private Bills (Group A.)

Ordered, That the Committee on Group A of Private Bills, which stands adjourned until to-morrow, be further adjourned for the convenience of parties until Tuesday next, at half-past Eleven of the clock.—(Sir John Ganzoni.)

Message from the Lords.

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

The Lords have agreed to the City of London (Various Powers) Bill, with Amendments; to which the Lords desire the concurrence of this House.

The Lords have passed a Bill, intituled An Act to authorize the Leicestershire and Warwickshire Electric Power Company to raise additional capital; to confer further powers upon the company, and for other purposes; to which the Lords desire the concurrence of this House.

The Leicestershire and Warwickshire Electric Power 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 proposed, that the Regulations made by His Majesty in Council under the Emergency Powers Act, 1926, by Orders dated the 30th day of April 1926 and the 2nd day of May 1926, shall continue in force, subject however to the provisions of Section 2 (4) of the said Act—(Secretary Sir William Joynson-Hicks);

An Amendment was proposed to be made to the Question, in l. 2, by inserting after the word "Regulations" the words "other than Regulation 6"—(Mr. Benjamin Smith.)

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. Warner, Year.]

Mr. Benjamin Smith; 91.

Tellers for the [Mr. Frederick Thom- son.]

Sir Harry Barnston; 329.

So it passed in the Negative.

Another Amendment was proposed to be made to the Question, in l. 2, by inserting after the word "Regulations" the words "other than Regulation 16"—(Mr. Ammon.)

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. Parkinson, Year.]

Mr. Warner: 92.

Tellers for the [Captain Vincent Cur- son.]

Captain Margesson: 301.

So it passed in the Negative.

Another Amendment was proposed to be made to the Question, in l. 2, by inserting after the word "Regulations" the words "other than paragraph 4 of Regulation 19."—(Mr. Bayry.)

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. Thomas Kennedy, Year.]

Mr. Barnes: 85.

Tellers for the [Mr. Frederick Thom- son.]

Captain Bowyer: 305.

So it passed in the Negative.

Another Amendment was proposed to be made to the Question, in l. 2, by inserting after the word "Regulations" the words "other than Regulation 30."—(Mr. Stephen.)

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

—(Mr. Attorney General.)

Ordered, That the Debate be now adjourned.

Ordered, That the Debate be resumed to-morrow.

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

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

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

Resolved, That this House will, to-morrow, resolve itself into the said Committee.
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The Order of the day being read, for taking into consideration the Local Authorities (Emergency Provisions) 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 Second Reading of the Secretaries of State 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 Markets and Fairs (Weighing of Cattle) 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 Execution of Diligence 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 Local Authorities (Emergency Provisions) 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 Local Authorities (Emergency Provisions) Bill [Lords.] and the Amendments thereto;

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

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

Copy of the Railway and Canal Commission (Payment into Court) Rules, 1926.

Copy of the Rules of the Supreme Courts (Scotland) Bill [Lords.]

Mr. Samuel Roberts reported from Standing Committee B, to whom the Bankruptcy (Amendment) Bill [Lords.]

was referred; That they had gone through the Bill and made an Amendment 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.

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The Local Government (County Boroughs and Adjustments) Bill [Lords.] was read the first time, and ordered to be read a second time on Monday next; and to be printed.

The Criminal Appeal (Scotland) Bill [Lords.]

was read the first time, and ordered to be read a second time on Monday next; and to be printed.

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

The Lords have passed a Bill, intituled An Petroleum Act to amend the Petroleum Acts, 1871 and 1879; to which the Lords desire the concurrence of this House.
The Lords have appointed a Committee, consisting of eleven Lords, to join with a Committee of the Commons, as a Standing Joint Committee on Indian Affairs, and request the Commons to appoint an equal number of their Members to be joined with the said Lords.

The Chairman of Ways and Means reported from the Committee on the Land Drainage Provisional Order (No. 1) Bill; that they had considered the Order therein contained; that the said Order ought to be confirmed; and that they had directed him to report the Bill, 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 Ascot District Gas and Electricity Bill (Lords); that they had examined the allegations contained in the Preamble of the Bill, and amended the same so as to make it consistent with the provisions of the Bill as passed by the Committee, and found the same, as amended, to be true; and had gone through the Bill and made Amendments thereunto.

Ordered, That the Report do lie upon the Table.

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

The Chairman of Ways and Means reported from the Committee on the Birkenhead Corporation Bill (Lords); that they had examined the allegations contained in the Preamble of the Bill, and amended the same so as to make it consistent with the provisions of the Bill as passed by the Committee, and found the same, as amended, to be true; and had gone through the Bill and made Amendments thereunto.

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

The Chairman of Ways and Means reported from the Committee on the Brompton, Chatham, Gillingham and Rochester Water Bill (Lords) (changed to Chatham and District Water Bill (Lords)), with Amendments.

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

The Chairman of Ways and Means reported from the Committee on the Rhymney Valley Water Bill; that in pursuance of the Resolution of the House of the 4th March last the Committee had inserted in the Bill the additional proviso referred to in the said Resolution.

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 thereunto.

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

The Chairman of Ways and Means reported Midway the Medway Conservancy Bill, with Amendments.

Ordered, That the Report do lie upon the Table.

The Chairman of Ways and Means reported from the Committee on the Serle Street and Cook’s Court Improvement Company Bill (Lords) (changed to Serle Street and Cook’s Court Improvement Bill (Lords)), that they had examined the allegations contained in the Preamble of the Bill, and amended the same so as to make it consistent with the provisions of the Bill as passed by the Committee, and found the same as amended, to be true; and had gone through the Bill and made Amendments thereunto.

Ordered, That the Report do lie upon the Table.

The Chairman of Ways and Means reported the Birmingham Canal Bill (Lords), without Amendment.

Ordered, That the Bill be read the third time.

Arabella Susan Lawrence, Member for the New Member Borough of East Ham (North Division), was sworn.

Colonel Sir Arthur Holbrook, supported by Candidates Mr. Hannam, Mr. Smillers, Colonel Vivian Henderson, and Colonel Sir Alan Burgoyne, presented a Bill to require candidates at Local Government elections to deposit a sum of money to be forfeited under certain conditions; and the same was ordered to be read a second time upon Monday the 17th day of this instant May; and to be printed.

A Motion was made, and the Question being Business of put, That other Government Business have the House precedence this day of the Business of Supply—

(The Prime Minster); the House divided.

The Yeas to the Right;

The Noes to the Left.

Tellers for the [Colonel Gibbs, 274.]

[Mr. Stanley: Yeas]

Tellers for the [Mr. Parkinson, 98.]

[Mr. Warne: Noes.

So it was resolved in the Affirmative.

The Order of the day being read, for resuming Emergency the adjourned Debate on the Amendment Powers Act, 1926, which, upon the 5th day of this instant May, was proposed to be made to the Question, That the Regulations made by His Majesty in Council under the Emergency Powers Act, 1926, by Orders dated the 30th day of April 1926 and the 3rd day of May 1926, shall continue in force, subject however to the provisions of Section 2 (4) of the said Act:
Which Amendment was, in I. 2, after the word "Regulations," to insert the words "other than Regulation 20."

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

And the Question being put; The House divided.

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

Tellers for the Mr. Kennedy, Yeas, [Mr. Warne]: 95.

Tellers for the Frederick Thomsom, Lord Stanley: 317.

So it passed in the Negative.

Another Amendment was proposed to be made to the Question, in I. 2, by inserting, after the word "Regulations," the words "other than Regulation 21."—(Mr. Lansbury.)

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. Parkinson, Yeas, [Mr. Warne]: 67.

Tellers for the Frederick Thomsom, Captain Margesson: 307.

So it passed in the Negative.

And the Main Question being again proposed:—And a Debate arising thereupon; The House having continued to sit till after Twelve of the clock on Friday morning;

Friday, 7th May 1926:

Commander Eyres-Monsell 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 Main Question being accordingly put; Resolved, That the Regulations made by His Majesty in Council under the Emergency Powers Act, 1926, by Orders dated the 30th day of April 1926 and the 3rd day of May 1926, shall continue in force, subject however to the provisions of Section 2 (4) of the said Act.

The Order of the day being read, for taking Local Authorities (Emergency Provisions) Bill, not amended in the Standing Committee; Ordered, That the Bill be taken into consideration this day.

The Order of the day being read, for the Secretaries of State Bill; Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time this day.

The Order of the day being read, for the Markets and Fairs Bill; Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time [Lords] this day.
The Order of the day being read, for the Committee of Supply; 

Resolved, That this House will, this day, resolve itself into the said Committee.

Ways and Means.

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

Resolved, That this House will, this day, resolve itself into the said Committee.

Unemployment Insurance Bill.

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

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

Finance Bill.

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

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

Merchandise Marks (Imported Goods) Bill.

The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Merchandise Marks (Imported Goods) Bill; 

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

Racing (Scotland) Bill.

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

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

Land Drainage Bill (Lords.)

The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Land Drainage Bill [Lords]; 

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

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.

Lead Paint (Protection against Poisoning) Bill.

The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Lead Paint (Protection against Poisoning) Bill; 

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

Commissions (Amendment) Bill (Lords.)

The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Commissions (Amendment) Bill (Lords); 

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

Execution of Bills (Scotland) Bill (Lords.)

The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Execution of Bills (Scotland) Bill [Lords]; 

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

Roman Catholic Relief Bill.

The Order of the day being read, for taking into consideration the Roman Catholic Relief Bill, as amended in the Standing Committee; 

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

Engineers Bill.

The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Engineers 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 Executive of Bills (Scotland) Bill (Lords); 

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Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time on Wednesday the 19th day of this instant May.

The Order of the day being read, for resuming the adjourned Debate on the Question proposed upon the 31st day of March last, That the Rating of Land Values Bill be now read a second time;

Ordered, That the Debate be further adjourned till Wednesday the 19th day of this instant May.

The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Merchandise Marks Acts (1887 to 1911) Amendment Bill;

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

The Order of the day being read, for resuming the adjourned Debate on the Question proposed upon the 23rd day of April last, That the Workmen’s Compensation Bill be now read a second time;

Ordered, That the Debate be further adjourned till Wednesday the 19th day of this instant May.

The House, according to Order, received itself into a Committee on the Passmore Edwards (Tilbury) Cottage Hospital Charity Bill.

(In the Committee.)

Clauses No. 1 and No. 2 agreed to.

Schedule agreed to.

Preamble agreed to.

Bill to be reported.

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

Ordered, That the Bill be now read the third time.—The Bill was accordingly read the third time and passed.

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

The House, according to Order, resolved itself into a Committee on the Brighton (London Road) Congregational Chapel Charities Bill.

(In the Committee.)

Clauses No. 1 and No. 2 agreed to.

Schedule agreed to.

Preamble agreed to.

Bill to be reported.

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

Ordered, That the Bill be now read the third time.—The Bill was accordingly read the third time and passed.

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

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

The House met at Eleven of the clock.

PRAYERS.

THE Order of the day being read, for taking Bermondsey Borough Council (Street Trading) Bill, as amended in the Committee;
Ordered, That the Bill be taken into consideration upon Tuesday next, at a quarter of an hour after Eight of the clock.

The Ministry of Health Provisional Orders (No. 3) Bill was, according to Order, read the third time and passed.

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

The House, according to Order, proceeded to take into consideration the Land Drainage Provisional Order (No. 1) Bill, as amended in the Committee.

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. Speaker acquainted the House, That he had received the following letters from Sir Chartres Biron, Chief Magistrate, relating to the arrest and imprisonment of Mr. Saklatvala, a Member of this House:—

Bow Street Police Court, W.C., 4th May 1926.

Sir,

I have the honour to acquaint you that Mr. Shapurji Saklatvala, a Member of the House of Commons, has been arrested and brought before me this day under a warrant issued by me on the 3rd instant upon an information laid by the Director of Public Prosecutions against him as a disturber of the peace and an inciter of other persons to cause breaches of the peace and other offences who should be ordered to enter into his recognisances and further to find sureties for his future good behaviour.

I have adjourned the further hearing of the case until Thursday the 6th instant, at 2 p.m., and I have agreed to admit the defendant to bail in the meantime, on his own recognisances in £100 with two sureties in £100 each.

I have the honour to be,

Sir,

Your obedient Servant,

C. BIRON,
Chief Magistrate.

The Right Honourable the Speaker of the House of Commons.

Bow Street Police Court, W.C., 6th May 1926.

Sir,

Adverting to my letter of the 4th instant, I have the honour to inform you that I have this day committed Mr. Shapurji Saklatvala, M.P., to His Majesty’s prison at Wormwood Scrubs for making default in obeying an order to enter into a recognisance in the sum of £500, with two sureties each in the sum of £250, to keep the peace and be of good behaviour towards His Majesty and all his liege people for the term of 12 months. The order was made upon the proceedings instituted by the Director of Public Prosecutions, in respect of which Mr. Saklatvala was arrested as reported in my previous letter. Upon his making default in complying with the order, I committed Mr. Saklatvala to the said prison, in the second division, for the space of two months, unless he should sooner comply with the order.

I have the honour to be,

Sir,

Your obedient Servant,

C. BIRON,
Chief Magistrate.

The Right Honourable the Speaker of the House of Commons.

The House, according to Order, proceeded to Local take into consideration the Local Authorities (Emergency Provisions) Bill, not amended in the Standing Committee.

Ordered, That the Bill be now read the third time:—The Bill was accordingly read the third time and passed.

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

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

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

An Amendment was proposed to be made to the Question, by leaving out from the word “That” to the end of the Question, and adding the words “This House declines to increase the number of Secretaries of State capable of sitting in this House, but would favour a reduction by making the political heads of the Army and Air Force parallel in status with the First Lord of the Admiralty” —(Commander Bellure),—instead thereof.

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

And the Main Question being put;

Ordered, That the Bill be now read a second time:—The Bill was accordingly read a second time, and committed to a Standing Committee.

The Markets and Fairs (Weighing of Cattle) Markets Bill [Lords] was, according to Order, read a second time; and committed to a Standing Committee.

The Land Drainage Bill [Lords] was, according to Order, read a second time; and committed to a Standing Committee.

The Execution of Diligence (Scotland) Bill Execution [Lords] was, according to Order, read a second time, and committed to a Standing Committee. Bill [Lords].

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.
The House, according to Order, proceeded to take into consideration the Weights and Measures (Amendment) Bill [Lords], 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 acquaint them that this House hath agreed to the same, with an Amendment; to which this House doth desire the concurrence of their Lordships.

The House, according to Order, proceeded to take into consideration the Bankruptcy (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 Second Reading of the Rating (Scotland) Bill; Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time upon Monday next.

The Land Drainage Provisional Order (No. 1) Bill was, according to Order, read the third time and passed.

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

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


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

Secretary Sir Samuel Hoare presented, pursuant to the directions of an Act of Parliament,—Copy of Provisional Amendment to the Rules of Procedure (Air Force), 1920.

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

Ordered, That the Committee on Group A Private Bills, which stands adjourned until Monday, 18th May, be further adjourned for the convenience of parties until Tuesday, 18th May, at half-past Eleven of the clock.—(Sir John Omanoni.)

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

The Lords have passed a Bill, intituled An Act to amend the Law relating to smoke nuisances, and for other purposes connected therewith; to which the Lords desire the concurrence of this House.

Ordered, That all Standing Committees have Standing leave to print and circulate with the Votes and Minutes of their Proceedings, and any amended Clauses of Bills committed to them.—(Mr. William Nicholson.)

The House, according to Order, resolved Supply itself into the Committee of Supply. (5th allotted Day.)

(In the Committee.)

Civil Services and Revenue Departments Estimates, 1926-27.

Motion made, and Question proposed, That a sum not exceeding £243,976 be granted to His Majesty, to complete the sum necessary to defray the charge which will come in course of payment during the year ending on
the 31st day of March 1927 for the Salaries and Expenses of the Office of His Majesty’s Secretary of State for the Home Department and Subordinate Offices, including Liquidation Expenses of the Royal Irish Constabulary and Contributions (including certain extra-statutory Payments) towards the expenses of a System of Probation:

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

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

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

The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Local Government (County Boroughs and Adjustments) Bill [Lords];

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

Ways and Means.

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

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

Local Government (County Boroughs and Adjustments) 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 Local Government (County Boroughs and Adjustments) Bill (Lords);

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

Criminal Appeal (Scotland) Bill (Lords).

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

Unemployed Insurance Bill.

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

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

Finance Bill.

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

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

Merchandise Marks (Imported Goods) Bill.

The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Merchandise Marks (Imported Goods) Bill;

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

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 to-morrow.

Lead Paint (Protection against Poisoning) Bill.

The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Lead Paint (Protection against Poisoning) Bill;

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

Coroners (Amendment) Bill (Lords).

The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Coroners (Amendment) Bill [Lords];

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

And accordingly the House, having continued to sit till thirteen minutes before Nine 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 Execution of Diligence (Scotland) Bill [Lords] is a Bill relating exclusively to Scotland, the Bill will be considered by the Standing Committee on Scottish Bills.

[No. 64.]
Tuesday, 11th May 1926.

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

PRAYERS.

Private Bills [Lords]

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, which are applicable thereto, have been complied with, viz.—Leicestershire and Warwickshire Electric Power Bill [Lords].

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time.

London County Council (Money) Bill.

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 Friday next.

Ayrshire Electricity Order under the Private Legislation Procedure (Scotland) Act, 1899, relating to Ayrshire Electricity: 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.


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

Mr. Guinness presented, pursuant to the directions of an Act of Parliament,—Copy of Order under the Diseases of Animals Acts, dated 30th April 1926, enabling an Inspector of the Ministry of Agriculture and Fisheries to serve a notice on the master of a s.s. "Helenus" to prevent the landing of infected animals.

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

Private Bills [Lords]

Mr. McNell presented, by His Majesty's Ex-Service Command,—Copy of Statement relating to the employment of Ex-Service Men in Government Departments, 1926, compiled from Returns furnished to the Treasury.

Copy of Statement showing the Staffs of Government Departments on 1st April 1926, compiled from Returns furnished to the Treasury.


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


Copy of the Tithe Rentcharge Recovery County Court, 1926, dated 26th April 1926.

Ordered, That the said Accounts be printed.

The Public Health (Smoke Abatement) Bill [Lords] was read the first time, and ordered to be read a second time to-morrow; and to be printed.

Bill 110.

A Motion was made, and the Question being put, That this day, notwithstanding anything in Standing Order No. 15, Business other than Business of Supply may be taken before Eleven of the clock, and that the Proceedings on other Government Business be expedited at this day's Sitting from the provisions of the Standing Order (Sittings of the House)—(The Prime Minister):

The House divided.

The Yeas to the Right.

The Noes to the Left.

Tellers for the Yeas, 
Sir Harry Barnston: 240.
Mr. Warne: 79.

Tellers for the Noes, 
Mr. Benjamin Smith: 79.

So it was resolved in the Affirmative.

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

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

The Order of the day being read, for the Coroners (Amendment) Bill (Lords); Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time to-morrow.

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

Resolved, That this House do now adjourn. Adjournment.—(Captain Bowyer.)

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

[No. 65.]

Wednesday, 12th May 1926.

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 City of London (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 Order of the day being read, for taking into consideration the Bermondsey Borough Council (Street Trading) Bill, as amended in the Committee; Ordered, That the Bill be taken into consideration to-morrow at a quarter of an hour after Eight of the clock.

The House, according to Order, proceeded to Ayshire take into consideration the Ayshire Electricity (Electricity Order Confirmation Bill; Ordered, That the Bill be read the third time to-morrow.

Colonel Ashley presented a Bill to confirm a Provisional Order under the General Pier and Harbour Act, 1841, relating to Inverness Harbour: And the same was read the first time. Ordered, That the Bill be referred to the Examiners of Petitions for Private Bills; and be printed.
Several Public Petitions were presented, and read; and ordered to lie upon the Table.

Mr. Neville Chamberlain, pursuant to the directions of an Act of Parliament,—Copy of the Rating and Valuation (Tamborough Rural District) Order, 1926, dated 12th May 1926, for the removal of a difficulty arising in connection with the application of the Rating and Valuation Act, 1925, to the Rural District of Tamborough, in the Administrative Counties of Stafford and Warwick, and for the modification of Section 68 of the Act in relation to that district.

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

Mr. William Nicholson reported from the Committee of Selection, that they had discharged the following Member from Standing Committee B (added in respect of the Law of Property (Amendment) Bill [Lords]):—Mr. Orme.

Mr. William Nicholson further reported from the Committee, that they had added the following Members to Standing Committee B (in respect of the Law of Property (Amendment) Bill [Lords]):—Sir William Bull and Mr. Dennis Herbert.

Ordered, That the Reports do lie upon the Table.

Major-General Sir Newton Moore reported from the Select Committee on Standing Orders, severa Resolutions; which were read, as follow:—

1. That in the case of the Stoke-on-Trent Corporation Petition for Bill, the Standing Orders ought to be dispensed with; that the parties be permitted to proceed with their Bill.

2. That in the case of the Falmouth Docks 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 had been brought from the Lords by one of their Clerks, as follows:—

The Lords have agreed to the Amendment made by this House to the Weights and Measures (Amendment) Bill [Lords], without any Amendment.

To require an indication of origin to be given with respect to the origin of articles exposed for sale, this House cannot consent to the Second Reading of a Bill containing provisions which, by creating obstacles in the importation of certain classes of goods would increase prices, encourage monopolies, and constitute another step in the policy of protection initiated by His Majesty's present Government (Mr. Webb),—instead thereof.

And the Question being put, That the words proposed to be left out stand part of the Question; the Yeas to the Right; the Noes to the Left; Tellers for the Yeas, Sir Harry Barnston; Tellers for the Noes, Mr. Warne, Mr. Benjamin Smith; So it was resolved in the Affirmative.

The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Merchandise Marks (Imported Goods) 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 realising the necessity for protecting the purchaser from fraud with respect to the origin of articles exposed or advertised for sale, this House cannot consent to the Second Reading of a Bill containing provisions which, by creating obstacles in the importation of certain classes of goods would increase prices, encourage monopolies, and constitute another step in the policy of protection initiated by His Majesty's present Government"—(Mr. Webb),—instead thereof.

And the Question being put, That the words proposed to be left out stand part of the Question; the Yeas to the Right; the Noes to the Left; Tellers for the Yeas, Mr. Frederick Thompson, Mr. Warne; Tellers for the Noes, Captain Bowyer, Mr. Warne; So it was resolved in the Affirmative.

The Bill was read a second time, and committed to a Standing Committee.

Sir Philip Cunliffe-Lestrer, by His Majesty's Mercantile Command, acquainted the House that His Marks Majesty, having been informed of the subject matter of the Motion relating to Mercantile Marks (Imported Goods) [Expenses] proposed to be moved, under Standing Order No. 71a, in Committee of the whole House, recommends it to the consideration of the House.

Then the House, pursuant to Standing Order No. 71a, resolved itself into Committee.

(In the Committee.)

Motion made, and Question put, That for the purposes of any Act of the present Session to require an indication of origin to be given in the case of certain imported goods, it is expedient to authorise any expenses incurred by or in connection with any committee appointed for the purposes of the said Act, up to such amount as the Treasury may approve, to be defrayed out of moneys provided by Parliament.—(Sir Philip Cunliffe-Lestrer.)
The Committee divided.

Tellers for the Yeas—Mr. Frederick Thomson; (Captain Bowyer: 199.
Tellers for the Nays—Mr. Parkinson; (Mr. Frederick Hall: 57.
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 Petroleum Bill [Lords] was, according to Order, read a second time, and committed to a Standing Committee.

The Coroners (Amendment) Bill [Lords] was, according to Order, read a second time, and committed to a Standing Committee.

Adjournment. Resolved, That this House do now adjourn.

—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—(Mr. Neville Chamberlain)—put, and agreed to.

STANDING COMMITTEES.

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

Name of Bill. Standing Committee.

Unemployment Insurance Bill—B.

[No. 66.]

Thursday, 13th May 1926.

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

Prayers.

The Arnside Electricity Order Confirmation Bill was, according to Order, read the third time and passed.

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

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

Mr. M'Neil presented, pursuant to the directions of an Act of Parliament—Copy of Provisional Treasury Rules, dated 12th May 1925, under Sections 11, 12, and 13 of the Northern Ireland Land Act, 1925.

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

The Industrial Assurance (Juvenile Societies) Bill [Lords] was read the first time, and ordered to be read a second time upon Monday next; and to be printed.

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

In the Committee.

Civil Services and Revenue Departments Estimates, 1926-27.

Unclassified Services.

Motion made, and Question proposed, That a sum not exceeding £396,100 be granted to His Majesty, to complete the sum necessary to defray the charge which will come in course of payment during the year ending on the 31st day of March 1927 for Relief arising out of Unemployment:

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

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

The Order of the day being read, for the Police 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 Local Second Reading of the Local Government (County Boroughs and Adjustments) Bill [Lords];

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

The Order of the day being read, for the Criminal Second Reading of the Criminal Appeal (Scotland) Bill [Lords];

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

The Order of the day being read, for the Finance Bill;

Second Reading of the Finance Bill;

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

The Order of the day being read, for the Lead Paint Second Reading of the Lead Paint (Protection against Poisoning) Bill;

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

The Order of the day being read, for the Rating Second Reading of the Rating (Scotland) 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 Public Health (Smoke Abatement) 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 on Merchandise Marks (Imported Goods) [Expenses];
Ordered, That the Report be received upon Monday next.

A Motion was made, and the Question being proposed, That this House do now adjourn—(Commander Eyres-Monsell)—The said Motion was, with leave of the House, withdrawn.

The Order of the day being read, for taking into consideration the Bermondsey Borough Council (Street Trading) Bill, as amended in the Committee;
And a Motion being made, and the Question being proposed, That the Bill 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 six months"—(Major Tasker.)
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 'Dr. Salter,' Yeas, Mr. Womersley : 81. 
 Tellers for the 'Major Tasker,' Noes, Captain Garro-Jones : 26. 

So it was resolved in the Affirmative.

And the Main Question being put;
Ordered, That the Bill be now taken into consideration.—The House accordingly proceeded to take the Bill into consideration.
Ordered, That the Bill be read the third time.

Resolved, That this House do now adjourn.—(Captain Bourger.)

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

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

Name of Bill. Standing Committees.

Merchandise Marks (Imported Goods) Bill. B.
Petroleum Bill [Lords].
Coroners (Amendment) Bill [Lords].

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Motion made, and Question proposed, That it is expedient to charge on the Consolidated Fund any sums required by the Treasury for fulfilling any guarantees of the payment of interest or principal on any loans raised under any Act of the present Session to amend the law with respect to the supply of electricity which may be given by the Treasury under that Act.—(Mr. McNeill.)

Amendment proposed, in 1. 3., after the word "sums," to insert the words "not exceeding ten thousand pounds."—(Major Kindersley.)

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

Main question put, and agreed to.

Resolution to be reported.

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

Ordered, That the Report be received upon Monday next.

The Local Government (County Boroughs and Adjustments) Bill (Lords) was, according to Order, read a second time, and committed to a Standing Committee.

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

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

And a Motion was 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.

Ordered, That the Debate be resumed upon Monday next.

The Criminal Appeal (Scotland) Bill (Lords) was, according to Order, read a second time, and committed to a Standing Committee.

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 Lead Paint (Protection against Poisoning) Bill;

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

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

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

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

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

Ordered, That the Lords' Message of the 6th day of this instant May relating to the appointment of a Committee on Indian Affairs be now taken into consideration.—(Commander Eyres-Monsell.)

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.—(Commander Eyres-Monsell.)

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

Brigadier-General Charteris, Sir Henry Cooil, Sir Robert Hamilton, Major-General Sir Alfred Knox, Mr. Wardlaw-Milne, Sir Frank Nelson, Mr. Pelcher, Mr. Scour, Mr. Snell, Mr. Wellhead, and Sir Victor Warrender were nominated Members of the Select Committee.

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

Ordered, That Fire be the quorum of the Committee.—(Commander Eyres-Monsell.)

Resolved, That the draft of a Special Order Gas proposed to be made by the Board of Trade under Section 10 of the Gas Regulation Act, 1920, on the application of the Knottingley Gas Company which was presented on the 17th March and published, be approved.—(Sir Burton Chadwick.)

Resolved, That the draft of a Special Order Gas 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 Darlington, which was presented on the 22nd March and published, be approved.—(Sir Burton Chadwick.)

A Motion was made, and the Question being Adjourned, proposed, That this House do now adjourn—(Commander Eyres-Monsell);

And notice being taken at a quarter of an hour before Two of the clock that Forty Members were not present, the House was told by Mr. Deputy Speaker, and Forty Members not being present, Mr. Deputy Speaker retired from the Chair; and it being Four of the clock, and other Members having come into the House, Mr. Speaker again counted the House, and Forty Members being present, Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair.

And it being Four of the clock, the Motion for the adjournment of the House lapsed without Question put.

The Order of the day being read, for the Hotels and Restaurants Bill;

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time upon Monday the 7th day of June next.

The Order of the day being read, for the Hotels and Restaurants Bill (No. 2) Bill;

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time upon Monday the 7th day of June next.
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|           | [No. 68.]
| Monday, 17th May 1926 | The House met at a quarter of an hour before Three of the clock. |
|           | **PRAYERS.** |
|           | The Bermondsey Borough Council (Street Trading) 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 Medway Conservancy Bill, as amended in the Committee. Ordered, That the Bill be read the third time. |
|           | The House proceeded to take into consideration the Oldham Extension Bill, as amended in the Committee. Ordered, That the Bill be read the third time. |

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The Leicestershire and Warwickshire Electric Power Bill [Lords.] was read a second time, and committed.

The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Bethlem Hospital Bill [Lords.]

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

Marriages (Provisional Orders) Bill, 1926

Secretary Sir William Joynson-Hicks presented a Bill to confirm a Provisional Order made by one of His Majesty's Principal Secretaries of State under the Marriages Validity (Provisional Orders) Acts, 1905 and 1924: 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.

Land Drainage (Miscellaneous Provisions) Order Confirmation Bill, 1926

Mr. Guinness presented a Bill to confirm a Provisional Order under the Land Drainage (Miscellaneous Provisions) Order Confirmation Act, 1925: 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.

Public Petitions. Vote Second Report, 1926

Several Public Petitions were presented, and ordered to 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 1926.

Message from the Lords.

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

The Lords have agreed to the Amendments made by this House to the Bristol Water Bill [Lords.], without any Amendment.

The Lords have agreed to the Amendments made by this House to the Bristol Cemetery Bill [Lords.], without any Amendment.

The Lords have passed a Bill, intituled An Act to authorise the Provost, Magistrates, and Councillors of the Borough of Helensburgh to extend their gasworks, and for other purposes; to which the Lords desire the concurrence of this House.

17th May, 1926.

The Helensburgh Gas Order Confirmation Bill [Lords.] was ordered (under Section 7 of the Private Legislation Procedure (Scotland) Act, 1899) to be taken into consideration to-morrow.

Ordered, That the Amendments made by the Lords to the Economy (Miscellaneous Provisions) Bills, which stands adjourned until to-morrow, be further adjourned, for the convenience of parties, until Tuesday 1st June at Twelve of the clock.—(Sir John Gennys.)

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

(In the Committee).

Civil Services and Revenue Departments Estimates, 1926–27.

Class II.

Motion made, and Question proposed, That a sum not exceeding £311,101 be granted to His Majesty, to complete the sum necessary to defray the charge which will come in course of payment during the year ending on the 31st day of March 1927 for the Salaries and Expenses of the Office of the Privy Council for Trade, and Subordinate Departments, including certain Services arising out of the War.—Motion, by leave, withdrawn.

Ordered, That the Amendments made by the Lords to the Economy (Miscellaneous Provisions) Bills, which stands adjourned until to-morrow, be further adjourned, for the convenience of parties, until Tuesday 1st June at Twelve of the clock.—(Sir John Gennys.)

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

(In the Committee).

Civil Services and Revenue Departments Estimates, 1926–27.
The Order of the day being read, for receiving the Report from the Committee on Merchandise Marks (Imported Goods) [Expenses];

Ordered, That the Report be received to­

morrow.

The Order of the day being read, for receiving the Report from the Committee on Electricity (Supply) [Money];

Ordered, That the Report be received to­

morrow.

The Order of the day being read, for resuming the adjourned Debate on the Question proposed upon the 14th day of this instant May, That the Police Pensions Bill be now read a second time;

Ordered, That the Debate be further ad­

journed till Wednesday next.

The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Industrial Assurance (Juvenile Societies) 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 Rating (Scotland) Bill;

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

The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Lead Paint (Protection against Poisoning) Bill;

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

Resolved, That this House do now adjourn.—

(Captain Viscount Curzon.)

And accordingly the House, having con­

tinued to sit till nineteen minutes before Nine of the clock, adjourned till to­

morrow.

STANDING COMMITTEES.

Distribution by Mr. Speaker, pursuant to the directions of an Act of Parliament,—Copies of (Supply) Acts. Special Orders made by the Electricity Commissioners, and confirmed by the Minister of Transport under the Electricity (Supply) Act, 1919, in respect of—

(1) the Parish of Bonhill and parts of the Parishes of Row, Cardross, Dunbarton, Old Kilpatrick, New Kilpatrick, and Kirk­

intilloch, in the County of Dunbarton; and

(2) part of the Parish of Llantrisant, in the Rural District of Llantrisant and Llantwit Fardre, in the County of Glamorgan.

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

Colonel Ashley presented, pursuant to the directions of an Act of Parliament,—Copies of Provisional Amendment to the Rules of Procedure under the Army Act.

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

Mr. Samuel Roberts reported from Standing Committee B, to whom the Law of Property (Amendment) Bill [Lords] was referred; That they had gone through the Bill and made Amendments thereunto.

Ordered, That the Report do lie upon the No. 75. Table; and be printed.

Ordered, That the Minutes of the Proceedings of the Standing Committee be printed.

Mr. Speaker, being of opinion that the Criminal Appeal (Scotland) Bill [Lords] is a Bill relating exclusively to Scotland, the Bill will be considered by the Standing Committee on Scottish Bills.

The Order of the day being read, for receiving the Report from the Committee on Merchandise Marks (Imported Goods) [Expenses];

Ordered, That the Report be received to­

morrow.

Mr. Speaker, being of opinion that the Criminal Appeal (Scotland) Bill [Lords] is a Bill relating exclusively to Scotland, the Bill will be considered by the Standing Committee on Scottish Bills.

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

Ordered, That the Bill, as amended in the Bill 116. Standing Committee, be taken into con­

sideration upon Thursday next; and be printed.

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Ordered, That the Minutes of the Proceedings of the Standing Committee be printed.
18th May.

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 Birkenhead Corporation Bill [Lords], without any Amendments.

The Lords have passed a Bill, intituled An Act to empower the Mayor, Aldermen, and Citizens of the City of Worcester to provide and work tramways, light railways, trolley vehicles, and omnibuses; to make further provision with regard to the improvement of the City, and for other purposes; to which the Lords desire the concurrence of this House.

The Worcester Corporation Bill [Lords] was read the first time.

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

Chairman's Panel.

Mr. William Nicholson reported from the Chairman's Panel; That they had appointed Mr. Morgan Jones to act as Chairman of Standing Committee B (in respect of the Secretaries of State Bill), Mr. Samuel Roberts (in respect of the Markets and Fairs (Weighing of Cattle) Bill [Lords]) and the Land Drainage Bill [Lords], and Mr. Ellis Davies (in respect of the Unemployment Insurance Bill); and that they had appointed Major Sir Richard Pursell to act as Chairman of the Standing Committee on Scottish Bills (in respect of the Burgh Registers (Scotland) Bill and the Execution of Diligence (Scotland) Bill [Lords]).

Ordered, That the Report do lie upon the Table.

The Chairman of Ways and Means reported from the Committee on the Ministry of Health Provisional Order (Hillscombe) 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 Ministry of Health Provisional Orders (No. 5) 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 Teignmouth and Shaldon Bridge Bill; That they had examined the allegations contained in the Preamble of the Bill, and amended the same so as to make it consistent with the provisions of the Bill as passed by the Committee, and found the same, as amended, to be true; and had gone through the Bill and made Amendments thereunto.

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

The Chairman of Ways and Means reported Darwen Corporation Bill [Lords], with Amendments.

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

The Chairman of Ways and Means reported Southern Railway Bill; That they had examined the allegations contained in the Preamble of the Bill, and amended the same so as to make it consistent with the provisions of the Bill as passed by the Committee, and found the same, as amended, to be true; and had gone through the Bill and made Amendments thereunto.

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

The Chairman of Ways and Means reported Shoreham Harbour 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.

Mr. William Nicholson reported from the Selectors Committee of Selection, That they had added the following Member to Standing Committee B:—Colonel Heneage.

Mr. William Nicholson further reported from Standing Committee B, That they had added the following Fifteen Members to Standing Committee B (in respect of the Secretaries of State Bill)—Mr. William Adamsen, the Lord Advocate, Sir Samuel Chapman, Mr. Cooper, Mr. Cozens, Sir Henry Craik, the Earl of Dalkeith, Sir Harry Hope, Major MacAndrew, Mr. Neil Maclean, Mr. M'Neil, Mr. Robert Smith, Mr. Stephes, Colonel Thom, and Mr. Wright.

Mr. William Nicholson further reported from Standing Committee B; That they had added the following Fifteen Members to Standing Committee B (in respect of the Markets and Fairs (Weighing of Cattle) Bill [Lords] and the Land Drainage Bill [Lords])—Mr. Blandell,
Mr. William Nicholson further reported from the Committee; That they had added the following Fifteen Members to the Standing Committee B (in respect of the Unemployment Insurance Bill):—Mr. Abery, Mr. John Baker, Mr. Batey, Mr. Bettinson, Sir Warden Chilcott, Mr. Consollly, Mr. Robert Hudson, Lieutenant-Commander Kenesway, Colonel Perkins, Colonel Ascheton Pownall, Mr. Thomas Shaw, Major Oliver Stanley, Sir Arthur Steel-Maitland, Major Tucker, and Sir Granville Webster.

Mr. William Nicholson further reported from the Committee; That they had added the following Fifteen Members to the Standing Committee of Scottish Bills (in respect of the Burgh Registers (Scotland) Bill, the Execution of Diligence (Scotland) Bill [Lords], and the Criminal Appeal (Scotland) Bill [Lords])—the Lord Advocate, Lord Balnain, Captain Bourne, Mr. Crawford, Major George Davies, Lord Ferryn, Mr. Groves, Captain D'Arcy Hall, Mr. Herzoworth, Colonel James, Mr. W. C. Robinson, Mr. Bennie Smith, Mr. Stanford, Major Steel, and Mr. Charles Williams.

Ordered, That the Reports do lie upon the Table.

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

Civil Services and Revenue Departments Estimates, 1926-27.

Unclassified Services.

Motion made, and Question proposed, That a sum not exceeding £536,100 be granted to His Majesty, to complete the sum necessary to defray the charge which will come in course of payment during the year ending on the 31st day of March 1927 for Relief arising out of Unemployment, resumed.

Question again proposed:

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

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

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

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

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

Captain Hacking reported from the Committee on Merchandise Marks (Imported Goods) [Money.], a Resolution; which was read as follows:

That for the purposes of any Act of the present Session to require an indication of origin to be given in the case of certain imported goods, it is expedient to authorise any expenses incurred by or in connection with any Committee appointed for the purposes of the said Act, up to such amount as the Treasury may approve, to be defrayed out of moneys provided by Parliament.

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

Captain Hacking reported from the Committee on Electricity Supply; a Supply Resolution; which was read, as follows:

That it is expedient to charge on the Consolidated Fund any sums required by the Treasury for fulfilling any guarantees of the payment of interest or principal on any loans raised under any Act of the present Session to amend the Law with respect to the supply of electricity which may be given by the Treasury under that Act.

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

Colonel Adair-Trotter, Mr. Anson, and Post Office Mr. Smithers were nominated Members of the Select Committee on the Post Office (Sites) Bill—(Colonel Gibbes.)

The Order of the day being read, for the Leasehold Second Reading of the Leasehold Enfranchisement (No. 2) Bill;

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time upon Tuesday the 8th day of June next.

The Order of the day being read, for the Marriage Second Reading of the Marriage (Prohibited Degrees of Relationship) Bill;

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time upon Tuesday the 8th day of June next.
Works of Antiquities (Prohibition of Removal) Bill.

The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Works of Art and Antiquities (Prohibition of Removal) Bill;

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time upon Wednesday the 9th day of June next.

Moneylenders Bill (Lords.)

The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Moneylenders Bill [Lords];

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time upon Wednesday the 9th day of June next.

Public House Improvement Bill.

The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Public House Improvement Bill;

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time upon Wednesday the 9th day of June next.

Candidates (Local Government) Election Deposit Bill.

The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Candidates (Local Government) Election Deposit Bill;

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time upon Wednesday the 9th day of June next.

Roadside Petrol Pumps Bill.

The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Roadside Petrol Pumps Bill;

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time upon Thursday the 10th day of June next.

Juvenile Courts (Scotland) Bill.

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

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time upon Wednesday the 9th day of June next.

Importation of Plumage (Prohibition) Act (1921) Amendment Bill.

The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Importation of Plumage (Prohibition) Act (1921) Amendment Bill;

Ordered, That the said Order be discharged.

Ordered, That the Bill be withdrawn.

Moveable Dwellings Bill.

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

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time upon Wednesday the 2nd day of June next.

Blind Persons Bill.

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

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time upon Wednesday the 9th day of June next.

Protection of Animals Act (1911) Amendment Bill.

The Order of the day being read for the Second Reading of the Protection of Animals Act (1911) Amendment Bill;

Ordered, That the said Order be discharged.

Ordered, That the Bill be withdrawn.

Merchandise Marks Acts (1887 to 1911) Amendment Bill.

The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Merchandise Marks Acts (1887 to 1911) Amendment Bill;

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time upon Thursday the 3rd day of June next.

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

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

Prayers.

The Manchester Ship Canal (Staff Superannuation) Bill was read the third time and passed.

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

The Bethlem Hospital Bill [Lords] was, according to Order, read a second time, and committed.

Ordered, That it be an Instruction to the Committee on the Bill that they have power to insert therein such provisions as may be necessary for the purpose of confirming the agreement entered into between the Governors of the Hospital and the Right Honourable Viscount Rothermere with respect to Bethlem Hospital and for the vesting of the hospital site or part thereof in the London County Council as an open space and for any purposes incidental thereto.—(Sir George Hume.)

The Ministry of Health Provisional Order (Ilfracombe) 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 Helsburgh 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.

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 to-morrow.

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

Mr. Neville Chamberlain presented, pursuant to the directions of an Act of Parliament,—Copy of the Contributory Pensions (Mercantile Marine) Order, 1926, dated 24th April 1926.

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 Report to the Lord Chancellor of the Lores, number of Visits made, the number of Patients seen, and the number of Miles travelled by the
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The House, according to Order, proceeded London, 
to take into consideration the London, Midland, and 
Scottish Railway 
Order Provisional 
Confirmation 
Bill [Lords.]  
Ordered, That the Bill be read the third time 
upon Tuesday the 1st day of June next.

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

Sir Philip Cunliffe-Lister presented, by His
Majesty's Command,—Copy of Report of the 
Imperial Economic Committee on the marketing 
and preparing for market of foodstuffs produced 
in the overseas parts of the Empire. Third 
Report.—Fruit. 

Copy of Report of the Company Law Amend- 
ment Committee, 1925-26. 

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

Mr. M'Neill presented, pursuant to the Sinking 
directions of an Act of Parliament,—Account 
of the Commissioners for the Reduction of 
the National Debt, showing the amount issued 
from the Exchequer and applied in the year 
ended 31st March 1926, in respect of the Old 
Sinking Fund and of the New Sinking Fund 
(1923). 

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

Earl Winterton presented, pursuant to the East India 
directions of an Act of Parliament,—Copy of 
Revised Estimate of Revenue and Expenditure 
of the Governor General in India in Council 
and of the Local Governments for 1925-26. 

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

Resolved, That this House do now adjourn. 

—(Colonel Gibbe.)

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

[No. 71.]  
Thursday, 20th May 1926. 

The House met at Eleven of the clock. 

PRAYERS.

The Medway Conservancy Bill was read the 
third time and passed. 

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

Resolved, That this House, at its rising this 
day, do adjourn until Tuesday 1st June. —(The 
Prime Minister.)

The Order of the day being read, for resuming 
Finsbury Bill. 

the adjourned Debate on the Amendment 
which, upon the 19th day of this instant May, 
was proposed to be made to the Question, 
That the Finsbury Bill be now read a second 
time; 

Which Amendment was, to leave out the 
word "now," and, at the end of the Question, 
to add the words "upon this day six months."
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And the Question being again proposed, That the word "now" stand part of the Question—The House resumed the said adjourned Debate. 

And the Question being put; 
The House divided.

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

Tellers for the 

Commander Eyres-Monsell; 

Colonel Gibb: 294.

Tellers for the 

Mr. Warne; 

Mr. Charles Edwards: 117.

So it was resolved in the Affirmative.

The Bill was read a second time, and committed to a Committee of the whole House for Tuesday the 1st day of June next.

Adjournment. 

A Motion was made, and the Question being proposed, That this House do now adjourn.—Commander Eyres-Monsell.

And it being Six of the clock, Mr. Speaker adjourned the House without Question put, pursuant to the Resolution of the House of the 19th day of this instant May, till Tuesday the 1st day of June next, pursuant to the Resolution of the House of this day.

Tuesday, 1st June 1926.

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

PRAYERS.

Ascot District Gas and Electricity Bill [Lords.]

The House proceeded to take into consideration the Ascot District Gas and Electricity Bill [Lords], as amended in the Committee.

Ordered, That the Bill be read the third time.

Rhymney Valley Water Bill.

The House proceeded to take into consideration the Rhymney Valley Water Bill, as amended in the Committee.

Ordered, That the Bill be read the third time.

Teignmouth and Shaldon Bridge Bill.

The House proceeded to take into consideration the Teignmouth and Shaldon Bridge Bill, as amended in the Committee.

Ordered, That the Bill be read the third time.

London, Midland, and Scottish Railway Order Confirmation Bill [Lords.]

The London, Midland, and Scottish Railway 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. Vol. 181.

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

A Public Petition against the Post Office 

P.s. Bill was presented, and read; and ordered to be referred to the Select Committee on the Bill.

The following Papers, presented by His Parlia-

ment's Command during the Whitsuntide recess, 

Adjudgment, were delivered to the Librarian of the House of Commons during the Adjournment, pursuant to Standing Order No. 95—

Copy of Report to the Secretary for Scotland Tribunals of Inquiry :—Committee appointed by William Lyon Macdonnie, Esq., q.c., of the Inquiry held under the Tribunals of Inquiry (Evidence) Act, 1921, in connection with the disposal of Constables Hill and Moore from the Kilmarnock Police Force.

Copy of Report of the Committee appointed Sheriff Court Records by the Secretary for Scotland to inquire into the existing arrangements for custody and preservation of Sheriff Court Records, &c.

Copy of Report of the Commissioner of Police of the Metropolis for the year 1925.

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

Secretary Sir Samuel Hoare presented, pursuant to the directions of several Acts of Parliament.—Copies of Two Orders under the 1917 Air Force (Constitution) Act, 1917, further amended in certain respects the Regulations appended to His Majesty's Order of 29th July 1924, as amended by subsequent Orders and included in a volume entitled "The King's Regulations and Air Council Instructions for the Royal Air Force."

Copy of Order amending in certain respects the Auxiliary Air Force. 

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

Captain Elliot presented, pursuant to the directions of an Act of Parliament.—Copy of Orders under the Registration of Births, &c. (Scotland) Act, 1854, as applied by Section 46 (4) (b) of the Widows', Orphans', and Old Age Contributory Pensions Act, 1925.

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

Lord Eustace Percy presented, pursuant to the directions of an Act of Parliament.—Copy of Order in Council, dated 29th May 1928, making Regulations under Section 3 (1) of the Emergency Powers Act, 1930, entitled the Emergency Regulations (No. 2), 1926.

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

Secretary Sir Austen Chamberlain presented, pursuant to the directions of an Act of Parliament.—Copy of Order in Council, dated 29th May 1928, making Regulations under Section 3 (1) of the Emergency Powers Act, 1930, entitled the Emergency Regulations (No. 2), 1926.

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

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

Mission for purposes of pension, with effect from 12th April 1926.

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

Ministry of Agriculture and Fisheries

Mr. Guinness presented, by His Majesty's Command, a Return of all Alien Passengers, excluding Transmigrants, landed, embarked, and refused in the United Kingdom during the year 1926 (in four quarterly parts).

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

Secretory Sir William Joynson-Hicks presented, by His Majesty's Command, a Report of the Proceedings of the Ministry of Agriculture and Fisheries for the year 1925.

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

Copy of Edite (Supply) Acts. 

Electricity Acts.

Mr. Guinness also presented, pursuant to the directions of an Act of Parliament,—Copy of Ordinances of the Diseases of Animals Acts, dated 12th May 1926, authorising the landing of a consignment not exceeding one hundred and seventy-five Freisland cattle at the port of Southampton, and defining quarantine stations for them.

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

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Sir Philip Cunliffe-Lister presented, pursuant to the directions of several Acts of Parliament,—Copy of Return of all Alien Passengers, excluding Transmigrants, landed, embarked, and refused leave to land in the United Kingdom during the year 1926 (in four quarterly parts).

Ordered, That the said Papers do lie upon the Table.

Copy of the Table.

Merchant Shipping Acts (Dispersing the Direction) Rules, 1926. No. 83.

Copy of the Table.

His Excellency the Governor General of India in Council, with the sanction of the Secretary of State in Council under Section 67 of the East India Act, 1906, during the year 1925.

Ordered, That the said Paper do lie upon the Table.

Copy of the Table.

General Lighthouse Fund, No. 84.

Accounts of the General Lighthouse Fund for the year ended 31st March 1925.

Ordered, That the said Paper do lie upon the Table; and be printed.

Copy of the Table.

Colonel Ashley presented, pursuant to the directions of several Acts of Parliament,—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—

(1) the Urban District of Petersfield and the Parishes of Beep and Sheet Tything, in the Rural District of Petersfield, in the County of Southampton;
(2) the Urban District of Ampthill and parts of the Rural Districts of Ampthill and Biggleswade, all in the County of Bedford;
(3) part of the Rural District of Wrexham, in the County of Denbigh, and the Township of Morford and Hoseley, in the Rural District of Hawarden (detached), in the County of Flint (detached).

Ordered, That the said Paper do lie upon the Table.

Copy of Report of the Proceedings of the Ministry of Transport up to 31st December 1925 under the Light Railways Acts and Railways Act, 1921.

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Earl Winterston presented, pursuant to the East India direction of an Act of Parliament,—Copy of Finance and Revenue Accounts of the Government of India for the year 1924-25.

Ordered, That the said Paper do lie upon the Table.

Copy of Home Accounts of the Government of India.

Copy of Amendments to the Electoral Rules of the Indian Legislature and of the Provincial Legislative Councils made by the Governor General of India in Council with the sanction of the Secretary of State in Council under Sections 64, 72a, and 129A of the Government of India Act.

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 Supreme Court Documents (Supreme Court) Rules, 1926, dated 29th April 1926.

Mr. Thurtle, Member for Shoreditch, in pursuance of a supplementary Question, having directed a Member to make use of a disorderly expression, Mr. Speaker called upon him to withdraw the same, but he declined to comply with that direction:

WHEREUPON Mr. Speaker, in pursuance of Standing Order No. 20, relating to disorderly conduct, ordered Mr. Thurtle to withdraw immediately from the House during the remainder of this day's sitting; and the Honourable Member withdrew accordingly.

James Patrick Gardner, Esquire, Member for New Member Borough of Hammersmith (North Division), was sworn.

Ordered, That the said Papers do lie upon the Table.

Copy of the Table.

Secretory Sir William Joynson-Hicks, at the Emergency Star, 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 29th day of May 1925 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 29th day of May 1925, to declare that a state of emergency exists.

A Motion was made, and the Question being put, That His Majesty's Gracious Message be any Company in working the Railway, for the year 1924-25.
The Order of the day being read, for the Industrial Assurance (Guarantors Societies) 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 Industrial Assurance (Guarantors Societies) Bill (Lords).
Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time to-morrow.

The Order of the day being read, for the Police Pensions Bill; (Lords.)
Ordered, That the Debate be further adjourned till to-morrow.

The Order of the day being read, for the Police Pensions Bill; (Lords.)
Ordered, That the Debate be further adjourned till to-morrow.

The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Police Pensions 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 Police Pensions 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 Rating (Scotland) 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 Rating (Scotland) 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 Public Health (Smoke Abatement) 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 Public Health (Smoke Abatement) Bill (Lords).
Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time upon Thursday next.

The Order of the day being read, for taking Law of Crime (Amendment) Bill (Lords) into consideration to-morrow.

The Order of the day being read, for taking Law of Crime (Amendment) Bill (Lords), 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 Roman Catholic Relief (Amendment) Bill [Lords];
Ordered, That this House will, upon Monday next, resolve itself into the said Committee.

The Order of the day being read, for the Roman Catholic Relief (Amendment) Bill [Lords];
Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time to-morrow.

The Order of the day being read, for the Roman Catholic Relief (Amendment) Bill [Lords];
Ordered, That this House will, upon Monday next, resolve itself into the said Committee.

The Order of the day being read, for the Roman Catholic Relief (Amendment) Bill [Lords];
Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time to-morrow.

The Order of the day being read, for the Roman Catholic Relief (Amendment) Bill [Lords];
Ordered, That this House will, upon Monday next, resolve itself into the said Committee.

The Order of the day being read, for the Roman Catholic Relief (Amendment) Bill [Lords];
Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time to-morrow.

The Order of the day being read, for the Roman Catholic Relief (Amendment) Bill [Lords];
Ordered, That this House will, upon Monday next, resolve itself into the said Committee.

The Order of the day being read, for the Roman Catholic Relief (Amendment) Bill [Lords];
Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time upon Thursday next.

And then the House, having continued to sit till a quarter of an hour after Eleven of the clock, adjourned till to-morrow.
Wednesday, 2nd June 1926.

The House met at a quarter of an hour before Three of the clock.

PRAYERS.

SEVERAL Public Petitions were presented, and ordered to lie upon the Table.

Electricity (Supply) Act, 1920.

Colonel Ashley presented, pursuant to the directions of an Act of Parliament,—Copy of Special Order made by the Electricity Commissioners, and confirmed by the Minister of Transport under the Electricity (Supply) Act, 1910, in respect of the Borough of Southend, the Urban District of Glenford, and the Rural District of Melford, in the Administrative County of West Suffolk, and the Urban Districts of Braintree, Halstead, and Witham, and the Rural Districts of Belchamp, Braintree, and Halstead, in the County of Essex.

Ordered, That the said Paper do lie upon the Table.

Diseases of Animals Acts, (Northern Ireland.)


Ordered, That the said Paper do lie upon the Table.

Sir Philip Cunliffe-Lister presented, pursuant to the directions of an Act of Parliament,—Copies of Drafts of Special Orders proposed to be made by the Board of Trade under the Gas Regulation Act, 1920, on the application of the—

(1) Portsea Island Gas Light Company; (2) Mayor, Aldermen, and Burgesses of the Borough of Chichester.

Ordered, That the said Paper do lie upon the Table.

Wolverhampton Corporation Bill.

Sir John Ganzoni reported from the Committee on the Wolverhampton Corporation Bill; that they had examined the allegations contained in the Preamble of the Bill, and amended the same so as to make it consistent with the provisions of the Bill as passed by the Committee, and found the same, as amended, to be true; and had gone through the Bill and made Amendments thereunto.

Ordered, That the Report do lie upon the Table; and be printed.


The House, according to Order, proceeded to take into consideration His Majesty's Most Gracious Message of the 1st day of June, relative to His Majesty's Proclamation under the Emergency Powers Act, 1920.

And the same was again read by Mr. Speaker.

GEORGE R.I.

The continued cessation of work in coal mines on the 29th day of May 1926 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 29th day of May 1926, to declare that a state of emergency exists.

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 that His Majesty has deemed it proper by Proclamation, made in pursuance of the Emergency Powers Act, 1920, and dated the 29th day of May 1926, to declare that a state of emergency exists.—(Secretary Sir William Joynson-Hicks.)

Mr. Speaker called the attention of the House to the continued irrelevance on the part of Mr. Neil Maclean, Member for Dumbarton, and directed the Honourable Member to discontinue his speech.

Mr. Speaker called the attention of the House to the continued irrelevance on the part of Mr. George Barnes, Member for Dunbarton, and directed the Honourable Member to discontinue his speech.

And the Question being put;

The House divided.

The Yeas to the Right;

The Noes to the Left.

Tellers for the Yeas, Commander Eyres-Monsell, Colonel Gibbs: 249.

Tellers for the Noes, Mr. Warne, Mr. Thomas Hender- son: 190.

So it was resolved in the Affirmative.

Resolved, That an humble Address be presented to His Majesty thanking His Majesty for His Most Gracious Message, communicating to this House that His Majesty has deemed it proper by Proclamation, made in pursuance of the Emergency Powers Act, 1920, and dated the 26th day of May 1926, to declare that a state of emergency exists.

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 Members of His Majesty's Household.

A Motion was made, and the Question being proposed, That the Regulations made by His Majesty in Council under the Emergency Powers Act, 1920, by Order dated the 29th day of May 1926, shall continue in force, subject, however, to the provisos of Section 2 (4) of the Act.—(Secretary Sir William Joynson-Hicks.)

An Amendment was proposed to be made to the Question, in l. 2, by inserting, after "1926," the words "other than Regulation 3."—(Mr. Barnes.)
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. Parkinson, 104.  
Tellers for the [Major Hennessy, 268.  
So it passed in the Negative.  
Mr. Attorney General rose in his place and claimed to move, That the Question be now put.  
And the House, having continued to sit after Twelve of the clock on Thursday morning;  
Tellers for the [Mr. Warne, 303.  
Tellers for the [Mr. Charles Edwards : 78.  
So it passed in the Negative.  
Mr. Attorney General claimed, That the Main Question be now put.  
And the Main Question being accordingly put;  
The House divided.  
The Yeas to the Right;  
The Noes to the Left.  
Tellers for the [Sir Harry Barnston, 173.  
Tellers for the [Mr. Frederick Thomson, 73.  
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 29th day of May 1926, shall continue in force, subject, however, to the provisions of Section 2 (4) of the Act.  
The Order of the day being, for taking into consideration the Amendments made by the Lords to the Economy (Miscellaneous Provisions) Bill;  
Ordered, That the said Amendments be taken into consideration this day.  
The Order of the day being, for resuming the adjourned Debate on the Question proposed, upon the 14th day of May last, That the Police Pensions Bill be now read a second time;  
Ordered, That the Debate be further adjourned till this day.  
The Order of the day being, for the Second Reading of the Industrial Assurance (Juvénile Societies) Bill [Lords];  
Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time this day.
The Order of the day being read, for taking into consideration the Law of Property (Amendment) Bill [Lords], as amended in the Standing Committee;
Ordered, That the Bill be taken into consideration this day.

The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Moveable Dwellings Bill;
Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time upon Tuesday next.

And it being after half-past Twelve of the clock on Thursday morning, Mr. 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, 3rd June 1926.

The House met at a quarter of an hour before Three of the clock.

Prayers.

The House proceeded to take into consideration the Chatham and District Water Bill [Lords] (changed from Brompton, Chatham, Gillingham, and Rochester Water Bill [Lords]), as amended in the Committee.
Ordered, That the Bill be read the third time.

The House proceeded to take into consideration the Darwen Corporation Bill [Lords], as amended in the Committee.
Ordered, That the Bill be read the third time.

The House proceeded to take into consideration the Sixer Street and Cook's Court Improvement Bill [Lords] (changed from Brompton, Chatham, Gillingham, and Rochester Water Bill [Lords]), as amended in the Committee.
Ordered, That the Bill be read the third time.

The House proceeded to take into consideration the Sixer Street and Cook's Court Improvement Company Bill [Lords], as amended in the Committee.
Ordered, That the Bill be read the third time.

Ordered, That the Southern Railway Bill, as amended in the Committee, be taken into consideration to-morrow.

Several Public Petitions were presented, and read; and ordered to lie upon the Table.

Lord Eustace Percy presented, pursuant to the directions of several Acts of Parliament,—
The Chairman of Ways and Means reported the Dover Harbour Bill, with Amendments.

Ordered, That the Report do lie upon the Table; and be printed.

The Chairman of Ways and Means reported the London County Council (Money) Bill, with Amendments.

Ordered, That the Report do lie upon the Table; and be printed.

The Chairman of Ways and Means reported the Taf Fechan Water Supply Bill [Lords], with Amendments.

Ordered, That the Report do lie upon the Table; and be printed.

Message from the Lords.

Mr. Speaker acquainted the House, That a Message had been brought from the Lords by one of their Clerks, as followeth:

"The Lords have agreed to the Hackney Borough Council Bill, with Amendments; to which the Lords desire the concurrence of this House.

The Lords have agreed to the Marriages Provisional Order Bill, without any Amendment.

The Lords have agreed to the Hackney Borough Council Bill.

The Lords have passed a Bill, intituled An Act to empower the Kidderminster and Stourport Electric Tramway Company to reconstruct a tramway and execute certain other works; to confer further borrowing powers upon the Company, and for other purposes; to which the Lords desire the concurrence of this House.

The Lords have passed a Bill, intituled An Act to empower the Kidderminster and Stourport Tramways Bill [Lords] to consolidate the rates of the Borough, and for other purposes; to which the Lords desire the concurrence of this House.

The Kidderminster and Stourport Tramways Bill [Lords] was read the first time.

Ordered, That the Bill be referred to the Examiners of Petitions for Private Bills.

The Reading University Bill [Lords] was read the first time.

Ordered, That the Bill be referred to the Examiners of Petitions for Private Bills.

The Colwyn Bay and Colwyn 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 Margate Corporation Bill [Lords] was read the first time.

Ordered, That the Bill be referred to the Examiners of Petitions for Private Bills.

The Order for reading a second time, upon Monday next, the Moveable Dwellings Bill Dwelling Housing Bill was read, and discharged.

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time upon Thursday next.

Ordered, That other Government Business of have precedence this day of the Business of the House.

Ordered, That the Bill, not amended in the Standing Committee, be taken into consideration upon Monday next.

Ordered, That the Report do lie upon the Table; and be printed.

Ordered, That the Reading University Bill be read a second time.

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The Order of the day being read, for the Rating Second Reading of the Rating (Scotland) Bill [Lords], 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 in the Question, by leaving out from the word "That" to the end of the Question, and adding the words "this House, while welcoming any measure which makes for efficiency and economy in the collection of rates in Scotland, cannot agree to the Second Reading of a Bill which, especially in the proposed system of deductions, tends to give advantage to large business and kindred interests at the expense of the mass of the ratepayers"—(Secretary Sir Austen Chamberlain.)—instead thereof.

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, [Major Hanbury, Mr. Frederick Thomas]

Tellers for the Noses, [Mr. Charles Ridley, Mr. Thomas Henderson]

So 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 taking into consideration the Amendments made by the Lords to the Economy (Miscellaneous Provisions) Bill; and a Motion being made, and the Question being put, That the Lords' Amendments be now taken into consideration;
The House divided.
The Yeas to the Right; The Noes to the Left.
Tellers for the [Major Henry, Yeas, Captain Bowyer]: [Mr. Neville Chamberlain];
Tellers for the [Mr. Warne, Noes, Mr. Charles Edwards]: [82].
So it was resolved in the Affirmative.
The House accordingly proceeded to take the said Lords' Amendments into consideration.
The Lords' Amendment, in p. 5, l. 3, leave out subsection (1), the first 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. Neville Chamberlain];
The House divided.
The Yeas to the Right; The Noes to the Left.
Tellers for the [Major Henry, Yeas, Captain Bowyer]: [198];
Tellers for the [Mr. Warne, Noes, Mr. Charles Edwards]: [82].
So it was resolved in the Affirmative; it appearing that the Commons were willing to waive their privileges.
The Lords' Amendment, in p. 5, l. 14, leave out ("the said "); 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 Lords' Amendment, in p. 5, l. 15, after ("(2)") insert ("of section sixty-eight of the principal Act "); 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 Lords' Amendment, in p. 5, l. 18, leave out Committee of Ways and Means; and it appearing that the Commons were willing to waive their privileges, the same was agreed to.
The Lords' Amendment, in p. 6, l. 1, leave out from ("place") to ("the") in l. 5, 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 Lords' Amendment, in p. 6, l. 6, leave out ("in payment of the deficiency") and insert ("from time to time in defraying the amount as estimated by the Treasury of such part of the cost incurred by Government Departments in connection with the provision of insurance stamps and cards and the sale of insurance stamps as may be attributable to national health insurance "); 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 Lords' Amendment, in p. 6, l. 8, leave out ("section forty-one") and insert ("of subsection (1) in l. 21, 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.
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 (Registration of Deeds (Yorkshire).)—[Mr. Albert Alexander.]
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 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 Law of Property (Amendment) Bill [Lords], as amended in the Standing Committee.
A Clause was offered to be added to the Bill (Registration of Deeds (Yorkshire).)—[Mr. Albert Alexander.]
And the said Clause was brought up, and read the first time.
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 Debate be further adjourned till to-morrow.

The Order of the day being read, for the Supply Committee of Supply:
Resolved, That this House will, to-morrow, resolve itself into the said Committee.
The Order of the day being read, for the Ways and Means:
Resolved, That this House will, to-morrow, resolve itself into the said Committee.
The Order of the day being read, for the Lead Paint (Protection against Poisoning) 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 on the Second Reading of the Industry Pensions Bill, upon the 14th day of May last, That the Police Pensions 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 Industrial Assurance (Juvenile Societies) Bill [Lords]:
Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time to-morrow.
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The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Public Health (Smoke Abatement) Bill (Lords); Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time to-morrow.

Finance (Money.) Colonel Sir John Gilmour, by His Majesty's Command, acquainted the House that His Majesty, having been informed of the subject matter of the Motion relating to Finance (Money) proposed to be moved, under Standing Order No. 71a, in Committee of the whole House, recommends it to the consideration of the House.

Then the House, pursuant to Standing Order No. 71a, resolved itself into Committee.

(In the Committee.) Resolved, That for the purpose of any Act of the present Session to grant certain duties of Customs and Inland Revenue (including Excise), it is expedient to authorise the payment out of moneys provided by Parliament of any expenses incurred by Police Authorities in carrying out any arrangements made between the Commissioners of Customs and Excise and such Authorities in connection with the duties chargeable under the said Act in respect of betting.—(Mr. McNutt.)

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.

Adjournment. Resolved, That this House do now adjourn.

—(Commander Byers-Monsell.)

And accordingly the House, having continued to sit till nine minutes before Eight of the clock, adjourned till to-morrow.

[No. 75;]

Friday, 4th June 1926.

The House met at Eleven of the clock.

PRAYERS.

The Ascot District Gas and Electricity Bill (Lords) was read the third time and passed, with Amendments.

Ordered, That the Clerk do carry the Bill to the Lords; and acquaint them that this House hath agreed to the same, with Amendments; to which this House doth desire the concurrence of their Lordships.

The Oldham Extension Bill was 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 Rhymney Valley Water Bill was read the third time and passed.

Ordered, That the Clerk do carry the Bill to the Lords, and desire their concurrence.

A Motion being made, That the Teignmouth Teignemouth and Shaldon Bridge Bill be now read the third time;

Mr. Hope, 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 Paignton Urban District Council 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 Southern Railway Bill, as amended in the Committee.

Ordered, That the Bill be read the third time.

Several Public Petitions were presented, and read; and ordered to lie upon the Table.

Mr. William Nicholson reported from the Committee of Selection; That they had added the following Members to Standing Committee B in respect of the Secretaries of State Bill.—Captain Hacking and Secretary Sir William Jopson-Hicks.

Ordered, That the Report do lie upon the Table.

The Order of the day being read, for resuming Police the adjourned Debate on the Question proposed upon the 14th day of May last, That the Police Pensions Bill be now read a second time;

And the Question being again proposed:—

The House resumed the said adjourned Debate.

An Amendment was proposed to be made to the Question by leaving out from the word "That" to the end of Question, and adding the words "this House cannot assent to the Second Reading of a Bill which, for gratuity and pension purposes, fails to give adequate recognition of the services rendered by those officers whose connection with the police service was severed in consequence of the police strike of 1919, and who, as stated by the Committee of Inquiry, were, while in the force, men of good character and efficient officers"—(Mr. Hayes).—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, (Major Hennessy; 

{ Captain Bowyer : } 115.

Tellers for the Noes, (Mr. Hayes, 

{ Mr. Charles Edwards : } 42.

So it was resolved in the Affirmative.
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The Bill was read a second time, and committed to a Standing Committee.

The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Lead Paint (Protection against Poisoning) Bill;

And a Motion being made, and the Question being put, That the Bill be now read a second time;

The House divided.

The Yeas to the Right;

The Noses to the Left.

Tellers for the Yeas—Captain Bowyer; Mr. Charles Edwards; Mr. Thomas Hender.

Tellers for the Noses; 66.

So it was resolved in the Affirmative.

The Bill was accordingly read a second time, and committed to a Standing Committee.

The Industrial Assurance (Juvenile Societies) Bill (Lords) 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 Public Health (Smoke Abatement) Bill (Lords):

Ordered, That this House will, upon Monday next, resolve itself into the said Committee.

The Order of the day being read, for the Committee of Supply;

Resolved, That this House will, upon Monday next, resolve itself into the said Committee.

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.

Earl Winterton reported from the Committee on Finance (Money), a Resolution; which was read, as followeth:

That for the purpose of any Act of the present Session to grant certain duties of Customs and Inland Revenue (including Excise) it is expedient to authorise the payment out of moneys provided by Parliament of any expenses incurred by Police Authorities in carrying out any arrangements made between the Commissioners of Customs and Excise and such Authorities in connection with the duties chargeable under the said Act in respect of betting.

The said Resolution, being read a second time, was agreed to.

Adjourning.

Resolved, That this House do now adjourn. (Commander Eyres-Monsell.)

And accordingly the House, having continued to sit till fourteen minutes after Three of the clock, adjourned till Monday next.
Trade Boards Acts.

Sir Arthur Steel-Maitland presented, pursuant to the directions of an Act of Parliament,—Copy of Regulations, dated 3rd June 1926, made by the Minister of Labour under Section 31 of the Trade Boards Act, 1909, entitled the Trade Boards (Paper Box Trade, Great Britain) (Constitution and Proceedings) Regulations, 1926.

Ordered, That the said Paper do lie upon the Table.

Patents, Designs, and Trade Marks.


Ordered, That the said Paper do lie upon the Table; and be printed.

Intimidation and Molestation.

Secretary Sir William Joynson-Hicks presented, by His Majesty's Command,—Copy of Home Office Circular, dated 30th December 1925, addressed to Chief Constables of England and Wales, as to the provisions of the Law relating to Intimidation and Molestation.

Secretary Sir William Joynson-Hicks also presented,—Return to an Address dated the 20th day of May last, for a Return relative to Aliens (Naturalisation).

Ordered, That the said Papers do lie upon the Table; and that the said Return be printed.

Forest and Navy.

Sir Leolin Forestier-Walker presented, pursuant to the directions of an Act of Parliament,—Copy of Sixth Annual Report of the Forestry Commissioners, for the year ended 30th September 1925.

Ordered, That the said Paper do lie upon the Table; and be printed.

Finance Account.

Mr. M'Neil presented, by His Majesty's Command,—Copy of Report respecting Peterhead Harbour Works for the year ended 31st March 1925.

Mr. M'Neil also presented, pursuant to the directions of an Act of Parliament,—Copy of Accounts of the United Kingdom for the financial year 1925–26.

Ordered, That the said Papers do lie upon the Table; and that the said Accounts be printed.

National Health Insurance Fund Accounts.

Mr. Neville Chamberlain presented, by His Majesty's Command,—Copy of Appendix to the National Health Insurance Fund Accounts, 1923.

Ordered, That the said Paper do lie upon the Table.

Kist India (Constitution and Proceedings).

 Earl Winterton presented, pursuant to the directions of an Act of Parliament,—Copy of Amendments of the Devolution Rules made by the Governor-General of India in Council, with the sanction of the Secretary of State in Council, under Sections 41A and 129A of the Government of India Act.

Ordered, That the said Paper do lie upon the Table.

Committee A.—Mr. Crompton Wood; and had appointed in substitution: Lieutenant-General Sir Aylmer Hunter-Weston.

Mr. William Nicholson further reported from Standing Committee A, following Member from Standing Committee A (added in respect of the Chartered Associations (Protection of Names and Uniforms) Bill)—Major-General Sir John Davidson; and had appointed in substitution: Sir Rowland Blades.

Ordered, That the Reports do lie upon the Table.

The House, according to Order, resolved Finance Bill itself into a Committee on the Finance Bill.

(In the Committee.)

Clause No. 1 (Duty on Tea).

Amendment proposed, in p. 2, 1, 7, to leave out the words "fourpence," in order to insert the words "one penny."—(Mr. Albert Alexander.)

Question put, That the word "fourpence" stand part of the Clause.

The Committee divided.

Tellers for the Yeas, 

[Captain Viscount Crampton, Lord Stanley : 241.]

Tellers for the Noes,  

[Mr. Charles Edwards, Mr. Thomas Henderson : 103.]

Clause agreed to.

Clause No. 2 agreed to.

Clause No. 3 (Exemption of trade motor cars from Customs duty to cease).

Amendment proposed, in p. 7, 1, 13, to leave out the word "The," in order to insert the word "Any."—(Mr. Harris.)

Question put, That the word "The" stand part of the Clause.

The Committee divided.

Tellers for the 

[Sir Harry Borns ton, Major Heneage : 269.]

Tellers for the 

[Mr. Harris, Mr. Livingston : 114.]

Another Amendment proposed, in p. 2, 1, 22, to leave out the words "first day of May, nineteen hundred and twenty-six," in order to insert the words "first day of January, nineteen hundred and twenty-seven."—(Lieutenant-Commander Kenworthy.)

Question put, That the words proposed to be left out stand part of the Clause.

The Committee divided.

Tellers for the 

[Major Heneage, Captain Doung ; 252.]

Tellers for the 

[Mr. Charles Edwards, Lieutenant-Commander Kenworthy : 116.]

Question put, That the Clause stand part of the Bill.

The Committee divided.

Tellers for the 

[Major Heneage, Mr. Cope : 252.]

Tellers for the 

[Mr. Charles Edwards, Mr. Thomas Henderson : 115.]

Clause No. 4 agreed to.
Clause No. 5 (Amendment as to certain silk duties and drawbacks). Amendment proposed, in p. 3, l. 3, at the end, to insert the words,—

"(2) Where, on or after the first day of August, nineteen hundred and twenty-six, any article of apparel made wholly or partly of silk is imported by any person for his own use and not for sale, the article, instead of being charged with duty in accordance with the provisions of Part I. of the Second Schedule to the Finance Act, 1925, may, at the option of the importer, be charged with a duty calculated on the whole weight of the article at a rate equal to twice the rate of the duty chargeable under the said Part I. in respect of the class of silk contained in the article.

For the purposes of this subsection—

(i) The expression "silk" includes artificial silk;

(ii) Where silk of several classes is contained in the article the article shall be chargeable with duty as if all the silk so contained were silk of that one of those classes in respect of which the highest rate of duty is payable under the said Part I.;

(iii) In determining the class to which any silk belongs regard shall be had to the stage of manufacture in which the silk appears in the article."—(Mr. M'Neill.)

Question proposed, That those words be there inserted.

Amendment proposed to the proposed Amendment, in l. 2, to leave out the words "for his own use and not for sale."—(Captain Wedgwood Benn.)

Question put, That the words proposed to be left out stand part of the proposed Amendment.

Amendment proposed, in p. 5, l. 15, to leave out the word "ten," in order to insert the word "two."—(Mr. Lees Smith.)

Question put, That the word "ten" stand part of the Clause.

The Committee divided.

Tellers for the "Yes":—

Colonel Gibbs: 211.

Captain Marsden: 121.

Mr. Crawfurd: 123.

The Question was amended, in l. 4, by leaving out the words "in the West Riding of Yorkshire."—(Captain Crookshank.)

And the Question, so amended, being put;

Resolved, That it is expedient that a Tribunal be established for inquiring into a matter of urgent public importance, that is to say, into the conditions in regard to mining and drainage in an area around the Borough of Doncaster, in the West Riding of Yorkshire.—(Mr. Guinan.)

The Question was amended, in l. 4, by leaving out the words "in the West Riding of Yorkshire."—(Captain Crookshank.)

And the Question, so amended, being put:

Resolved, That it is expedient that a Tribunal be established for inquiring into a matter of urgent public importance, that is to say, into the conditions in regard to mining and drainage in an area around the Borough of Doncaster.

The House, according to Order, proceeded to take into consideration the Unemployment Insurance Bill, not amended in the Standing Committee.

Ordered, That the Bill be now read the third time:—The Bill was accordingly read the third time and passed.

Ordered, That the Clerk do carry the Bill to the Lords, and desire their concurrence.

The Order of the day being read, for the Supply.

Ordered, That this House will, to-morrow, resolve itself into the said Committee.

The Order of the day being read, for the Supply.

Ordered, That this House will, to-morrow, resolve itself into the said Committee.

The Order of the day being read, for the Ways and Means.

Ordered, That this House will, to-morrow, resolve itself into the said Committee.

The Order of the day being read, for the Public Health Second Reading of the Public Health (Smoke Abatement) Bill [Lords];

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time to-morrow.

Resolved, That this House do now adjourn. Adjourned.

—(Commander Eyres-Monsell.)

And accordingly the House, having continued to sit till a quarter of an hour before 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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Police Precautions Bill | B.
Lead Paint (Protection against Poisoning) Bill. |
Industrial Assurance (Juvenile Societies) Bill [Lords]. |

[No. 77.]

**Tuesday, 8th June 1926.**

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, applicable thereto, have been complied with, viz.:

1. Connah's Quay Urban District Council Water Bill [Lords].
2. Worcester Corporation Bill [Lords].
3. Aberdare and District Water Board Bill [Lords].
4. Kidderminster and Stourport Tramways Bill [Lords].
5. Reading University Bill [Lords].
6. Colwyn Bay and Colwyn Urban District Council Bill [Lords].
7. Margate 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, referred on the First Reading thereof, the Standing Orders which are applicable thereto, have been complied with, viz.:

1. Connah's Quay Urban District Council Water Bill [Lords].
2. Worcester Corporation Bill [Lords].
3. Aberdare and District Water Board Bill [Lords].
4. Kidderminster and Stourport Tramways Bill [Lords].
5. Reading University Bill [Lords].
6. Colwyn Bay and Colwyn Urban District Council Bill [Lords].
7. Margate 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, referred on the First Reading thereof, no Standing Orders are applicable, viz.:

1. Marriage Provisional Order (No. 2) Bill.
2. Pier and Harbour Provisional Order Bill.

Ordered, That the Bills be read a second time to-morrow.

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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 Local Authorities (Emergency Provisions) Bill, without any Amendment.

The Lords have agreed to the Amendments made by this House to the Ascent District Gas and Electricity Bill [Lords], without any Amendment.

The Lords have passed a Bill, intituled An Act to amend the Law relating to children born out of wedlock; to which the Lords desire the concurrence of this House.

Mr. William Nicholson reported from the Chairman's Panel, That they had appointed Sir Cyril Cobb to act as Chairman of Standing Committee A (in respect of the Judicial Proceedings (Regulation of Reports) Bill); Sir Edward Thornton of Standing Committee B (in respect of the Merchandise Marks (Imported Goods) Bill) and Mr. Short (in respect of the Petroleum Bill [Lords]); Mr. James James of the Standing Committee on Scottish Bills (in respect of the Criminal Appeal (Scotland) Bill [Lords]); and Mr. Samuel Roberts (in respect of the Rating (Scotland) Bill).

Ordered, That the Report do lie upon the Table.

Mr. William Nicholson reported from the Committee of Selection: That they had added the following Ten Members to Standing Committee A (in respect of the Home Counties (Music and Dancing) Licensing Bill):—Mr. Ernest Alexander, Sir Alfred Butt, Mr. Dunscombe, Mr. Erskine, Mr. Greson, Captain Hacking, Mr. Hore-Belisha, Mr. Locker, Sir Herbert Field, and Mr. Ryhs.

Standing Committee B: Mr. William Nicholson further reported from the Committee; That they had added the following Twenty-five Members to Standing Committee B (in respect of the Merchandise Marks (Imported Goods) Bill):—Colonel Arland-Troyke, Mr. Albert Alexander, Mr. Sandeman Allen, Mr. Barnes, Captain Brinze, Sir Henry Cautley, Sir Horace Chadwick, Sir Philip Cautley-Lister, Captain Garro-Jones, Mr. Duncan Graham, Mr. Gunness, Captain Gunston, Mr. Haslam, Mr. Hudson, Commander Knowsley, Mr. Kidd, Mr. Lamb, Miss Lawson, Mr. Lawson, Sir William Peers, Mr. Basil Peers, Mr. Ramsden, Major Reggies Brien, Mr. Shepperdson, and Mr. Webb.

Ordered, That the Reports do lie upon the Table.

Mr. James Stewart, supported by Mr. Templeton, Mr. Morgan Jones, Mr. Barr, Mr. Sutton, Mr. Robert Morrison, Mr. John Jones, Sir Samuel Chapmen, Colonel Thomas Moore, and Mr. Wensley, presented a Bill to provide for the compulsory closing of Hairdressers' and Barbers' Shops on Sundays: And the same was ordered to be read a second time upon Tuesday next; and to be printed.

Finance Bill. The House, according to Order, resolved itself into a Committee on the Finance Bill.

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(In the Committee.)

(Amendment proposed, in p. 6, l. 20, to leave out subsection (1) (Sir Robert Thomas.)

Question put, That the words proposed to be left out, to the word "ten," in l. 24, stand part of the Clause.

The Committee divided.

Tellers for the (Major Hannasye, Yeas, Captain Bouger : 282.  Mr. Charles Edwards,)

Tellers for the (Mr. Thomas Henderson : 152.)

Another Amendment proposed, in p. 6, I. 24, to leave out the word "ten," in order to insert the word "two."—(Mr. Gillett.)

Question put, That the word "ten" stand part of the Clause.

The Committee divided.

Tellers for the (Major Hannasye, Yeas, Lord Stanley : 288.  Mr. Charles Edwards,

Tellers for the (Mr. Thomas Henderson : 153.)

Another Amendment proposed, in p. 6, I. 25, to leave out subsection (2).—(Mr. Patrick Lawrence.)

Question put, That the words "As from the first day of" stand part of the Clause.

The Committee divided.

Tellers for the (Major Cope, Yeas, Mr. Frederick Thomson : 243.  Mr. Thomas Kennedy,

Tellers for the (Mr. Thomas Kennedy, Noes, Mr. Warne : 139.)

Another Amendment proposed, in p. 6, I. 25, to leave out the words "May, nineteen hundred and twenty-six," in order to insert the words "January, nineteen hundred and twenty-seven."—(Mr. Morris.)

Question put, That the words proposed to be left out stand part of the Clause.

The Committee divided.

Tellers for the (Major Cope, Yeas, Mr. Frederick Thomson : 247.  Mr. Morris,

Tellers for the (Mr. Livingstone, Noes, Mr. Livingstone : 137.)

Another Amendment proposed, in p. 6, I. 29, to leave out the words "one-half," in order to insert the words "one-quarter."—(Captain Wedgwood Benn.)

Question put, That the words "one-half" stand part of the Clause.

The Committee divided.

Tellers for the (Major Cope, Yeas, Captain Bouger : 244.  Mr. Morris,

Tellers for the (Mr. Livingstone, Noes, Mr. Morris : 134.)

Another Amendment proposed, in p. 6, I. 31, to leave out the words "one shilling," in order to insert the words "three pence."—(Mr. Fanshy.)

Question put, That the words "one shilling" stand part of the Clause.
Clause.

The Committee divided.

Tellers for the

Captain Viscount—Curzon

245.

Tellers for the

Mr. Bosby

135.

Another Amendment proposed, in p. 6, l. 34, to leave out subsection (3).—(Mr. Patrick Lawrence.)

Question put, That the words proposed to be left out, to the end of l. 37, stand part of the Clause.

The Committee divided.

Tellers for the

Major Hennessy

240.

Tellers for the

Mr. Charles Edwards

128.

Another Amendment proposed, in p. 6, l. 35, to leave out paragraph (i).—(Mr. James Hudson.)

Question put, That the words proposed to be left out stand part of the Clause.

The Committee divided.

Tellers for the

Captain Bouger

222.

Tellers for the

Mr. Barnes

122.

Another Amendment proposed, in p. 7, l. 4, to leave out paragraph (ii).—(Captain Wedgwood Benn.)

Question put, That the words proposed to be left out stand part of the Clause.

The Committee divided.

Tellers for the

Captain Margesson

241.

Tellers for the

Mr. Parkinson

131.

Another Amendment proposed, in p. 7, l. 8, to leave out paragraph (iii).—(Captain Wedgwood Benn.)

Question put, That the words proposed to be left out stand part of the Clause.

The Committee divided.

Tellers for the

Lord Stanley

241.

Tellers for the

Mr. Warne

130.

Another Amendment proposed, in p. 7, l. 12, to leave out paragraph (iv).—(Mr. Albert Alexander.)

Question put, That the words proposed to be left out stand part of the Clause.

The Committee divided.

Tellers for the

Captain Margesson

245.

Tellers for the

Mr. Parkinson

129.

Another Amendment proposed, in p. 7, l. 25, to leave out the words "or of the majority of the members thereof."—(Captain Wedgwood Benn.)

Question, That the words proposed to be left out stand part of the Clause put, and agreed to.

Another Amendment proposed, in p. 7, l. 37, to leave out the words "that there is no reasonable probability."—(Captain Wedgwood Benn.)

Question put, That the words proposed to be left out stand part of the Clause.

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The Order of the day being read, for resuming the adjourned Debate on the Question proposed upon the 23rd day of April last, That the Workmen's Compensation Bill be now read a second time;

Ordered, That the Debate be further adjourned till to-morrow.

And it being after half-past Eleven of the clock, Mr. Deputy Speaker adjourned the House without Question put, pursuant to the Standing Order, it being then thirteen minutes before Twelve of the clock, till to-morrow.

[No. 78.]

Wednesday, 9th June 1926.

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 Hackney Borough Council Bill be taken into consideration upon Friday next.

The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Saxphomy Laws (Amendment) Bill;

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time upon Tuesday the 29th day of this instant June.

The Marriage (Prohibited Degrees of Relationship) 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 Leasehold Enfranchisement (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 Hotels and Restaurants (No. 2) 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 Offices Regulation Bill;

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time to-morrow.

The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Beach Side Travellers 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 Engineers 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 Temperance (Wales and Monmouthshire) 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 Rear Reflectors on Cycles Bill;

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time to-morrow.

The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Merchandise Marks Acts (1887 to 1911 Amendment) Bill;

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time upon Thursday next.
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 Guildford to acquire from the Woking Water and Gas Company a well and pumping station situate within that Borough; to authorise the Corporation to maintain and construct waterworks; to confer further powers upon the Corporation in regard to their water and electricity undertakings and the health, local government and improvement of the Borough; to provide for the consolidation of the rates of the Borough, and for other purposes.

Ordered, That the Report do lie upon the Table; and be printed.

Mr. Speaker reported from the Local Legislation Committee (Section B); That in the case of the Halifax 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 thereunto.

Ordered, That the Report do lie upon the Table; and be printed.

The Lords have agreed to the Amendments made by this House to the Chatham and District Water Bill [Lords], without any Amendment.

Another Amendment proposed, in p. 7, l. 43, to leave out the words "five years," in order to insert the words "one year."—(Mr. MacKenzie.)

Question proposed. That the words proposed to be left out stand part of the Clause:—Debate arising;

Sir Philip Curzillo-Lister rose in his place and claimed to move, That the Question be now put; but the Chairman withheld his assent, and declined them to put that Question, as he thought that the Committee would soon be willing to come to a decision without that Motion.—Debate resumed.

Another Amendment proposed, in p. 7, l. 15, to leave out the words "sixteen and two-thirds."—(Mr. Robert Richardson.)

Another Amendment proposed, in p. 8, l. 13, at the end, to insert the words,—

"Provided that there shall be allowed and paid in the case of any manufactured or made-up article exported from Great Britain or Northern Ireland, and consisting wholly or partly of paper subject to the duty imposed by this section, a drawback equal to the amount shown to the satisfaction of the Commissioners to have been paid as duty on the paper used or wasted in the manufacture of the article."

—(Mr. Lea Smith.)

Ordered, That the Words proposed to be left out stand part of the Clause.

The Committee divided.

Tellers for the Yeas,
Mr. Barnes : 140.

Tellers for the Noes,
Mr. Parkinson : 135.

Another Amendment proposed, in p. 8, l. 13, at the end, to insert the words,—

"Provided that there shall be allowed and paid in the case of any manufactured or made-up article exported from Great Britain or Northern Ireland, and consisting wholly or partly of paper subject to the duty imposed by this section, a drawback equal to the amount shown to the satisfaction of the Commissioners to have been paid as duty on the paper used or wasted in the manufacture of the article."

—(Mr. Lea Smith.)

Question put.

That the Words proposed to be left out stand part of the Clause.

The Committee divided.

Tellers for the Yeas,
Mr. Barnes : 140.

Tellers for the Noes,
Mr. Parkinson : 135.

Another Amendment proposed, in p. 8, l. 13, at the end, to insert the words,—

"Provided that there shall be allowed and paid in the case of any manufactured or made-up article exported from Great Britain or Northern Ireland, and consisting wholly or partly of paper subject to the duty imposed by this section, a drawback equal to the amount shown to the satisfaction of the Commissioners to have been paid as duty on the paper used or wasted in the manufacture of the article."

—(Mr. Lea Smith.)

Question put, That those Words be there inserted.

The Committee divided.

Tellers for the Yeas,
Mr. Barnes : 140.

Tellers for the Noes,
Mr. Parkinson : 135.

Another Amendment proposed, in p. 8, l. 12, after the first word "paper," to insert the words "vulcanising paper."—(Mr. MacKenzie Livingston.)

Ordered, That the Licensing Act (1921) Licensing Amendment Bill be read a second time upon Thursday the 24th day of this instant June.

The House, according to Order, resolved Finance Bill itself into a Committee on the Finance Bill.

(In the Committee.)

Clause No. 11 (Customs duty on wrapping paper).

Amendment proposed, in p. 7, l. 41, to leave out the words "five years," in order to insert the words "one year."—(Mr. MacKenzie.)

Question proposed. That the words proposed to be left out stand part of the Clause:—Debate arising;

Sir Philip Curzillo-Lister rose in his place and claimed to move, That the Question be now put; but the Chairman withheld his assent, and declined them to put that Question, as he thought that the Committee would soon be willing to come to a decision without that Motion.—Debate resumed.
Another Amendment proposed, in p. 8, l. 24, at the end, to insert the words,—

"3) There shall be allowed and paid in the case of any manufactured or made up article exported from Great Britain or Northern Ireland a drawback equal to the amount shown to the satisfaction of the Commissioners to have been paid as duty on the paper used for packing or wrapping."—(Sir John Marriott.)

Question put, That those words be there inserted.

The Committee divided.

Tellers for the Yeas, 
Mr. MacKenzie Livingstone: 127.
Mr. Fenby: 127.

Tellers for the Nays, 
Captain Viscount Curzon: 223.
Captain Bouger: 223.

Another Amendment proposed, in p. 8, l. 21, after the first word "paper," to insert the words "wall paper body paper."—(Mr. MacKenzie Livingstone.)

Question put, That those words be there inserted.

The Committee divided.

Tellers for the Yeas, 
Mr. MacKenzie Livingstone: 188.

Tellers for the Nays, 
Mr. Frederick Thomas: 215.

Another Amendment proposed, in p. 8, l. 21, after the first word "paper," to insert the words "flints, enamels, leatherettes, calf, and suede, and other papers imitating cloth."—(Mr. Atkinson.)

Question put, That those words be there inserted.

The Committee divided.

Tellers for the Yeas, 
Mr. Fremont: 129.
Mr. Crawford: 129.

Tellers for the Nays, 
Mr. Frederick Thomas: 213.
Captain Bouger: 213.

Another Amendment proposed, in p. 8, l. 21, after the first word "paper," to insert the words "flints, enamels, leatherettes, calf, and suede, and other papers imitating cloth."—(Mr. Atkinson.)

Question put, That those words be there inserted.

The Committee divided.

Tellers for the Yeas, 
Mr. Charles Edwards: 133.
Mr. Hayes: 133.

Tellers for the Nays, 
Mr. Frederick Thomas: 218.
Captain Bouger: 218.

Another Amendment proposed, in p. 8, l. 21, after the first word "paper," to insert the words "flints, enamels, leatherettes, calf, and suede, and other papers imitating cloth."—(Mr. Atkinson.)

Question put, That those words be there inserted.

The Committee divided.

Tellers for the Yeas, 
Mr. Charles Edwards: 120.
Mr. Hayes: 120.

Tellers for the Nays, 
Captain Margesson: 234.
Lord Stanley: 234.

Another Amendment proposed, in p. 8, l. 21, after the word "article," to insert the words "straw paper."—(Colonel Horlick.)

Question put, That those words be there inserted.

The Committee divided.

Tellers for the Yeas, 
Colonel Horlick: 136.
Mr. Crawford: 136.

Tellers for the Noes, 
Lord Stanley: 220.
Captain Margesson: 220.

Another Amendment proposed, in p. 9, l. 10, at the end, to add the words "and as if the rates of duties set out in paragraphs 1 and 6 of the Second Schedule to the said Act were reduced by one-third."—(Mr. Crawford.)
The Public Health (Smoke Abatement) Bill [Lords] was, according to Order, read a second time, and committed to a Standing Committee. [Lords.]

Resolved, That the Special Order made by the Electricity Commissioners under the Electricity (Supply) Acts, 1882 to 1922, and confirmed by the Minister of Transport under the Electricity (Supply) Act, 1919, in respect of the Borough of Richmond, in the North Riding of the County of York, which was presented on the 23rd day of March 1926, be approved.—[Colonel Ashley.]

Resolved, That the Special Order made by the Electricity Commissioners under the Electricity (Supply) Acts, 1882 to 1922, and confirmed by the Minister of Transport under the Electricity (Supply) Act, 1919, in respect of the Borough of Richmond and part of the Rural District of Richmond, in the North Riding of the County of York, which was presented on the 18th day of March 1926, be approved.—[Colonel Ashley.]

Resolved, That the Special Order made by the Electricity Commissioners under the Electricity (Supply) Acts, 1882 to 1922, and confirmed by the Minister of Transport under the Electricity (Supply) Act, 1919, in respect of the Urban District of Wellington, in the County of Shropshire, which was presented on the 29th day of March 1926, be approved.—[Colonel Ashley.]

The Order of the day being read, for taking into consideration the Vinegar 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 Works of Art and Antiquities (Prohibition of Removal) Bill:—(Mr. Harry Brittain.)

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time upon Monday next.

The Order of the day being read, for the Provision of Urban Slum Clearance in Scotland Bill [Lords.]

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time upon Tuesday next.

The Order of the day being read, for the Juvenile Courts (Scotland) Bill:

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time upon Tuesday next.

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The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Blind Persons Bill; 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 19th day of February last, That the Town Tenants Bill be now read a second time; Ordered, That the Debate be further adjourned till Tuesday next.

The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Offices Regulation Bill; Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time 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 Wolverinehpton Corporation Bill was Wolverhamp­ton Corporation Bill; read the third time and passed.

Ordered, That the Clerk do carry the Bill to the Lords, and desire their concurrence.

Colonel Sir John Gilmour presented a Bill to Edinburgh confirm a Provisional Order under the Private Corporation Legislation Procedure (Scotland) Act, 1899, (General Powers) : 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 1st Thursday morning, till this day.

Several Public Petitions were presented, and read; and ordered to lie upon the Table.

Colonel Ashley presented, pursuant to the directions of an Act of Parliament,—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 the Urban District of Millom, in the County of Cumberland.

Ordered, That the said Paper do lie upon the Table.

Mr. William Nicholson reported from the Selection Committee of Selection; That they had discharged the following Members from Standing Committee B:—Rear-Admiral Beamish and Admiral Sir Reginald Hall; and had appointed in substitution: Mr. Edmund Wood and Mr. Herbert Williams.

Mr. William Nicholson further reported from Standing Committee B:—That they had discharged the following Member from Standing Committee B (added in respect of the Merchandise Marks (Imported Goods) Bill):—Mr. Shepperson; and had appointed in substitution: Colonel Windsor-Clive.

Mr. William Nicholson further reported from Standing Committee D:—That they had nominated the following Members to serve on Standing Committee D:—Lieutenant-Commander Astbury.
Mr. John Baker, Mr. Batey, Commander Belshes, Mr. Bay Bed, Sir Harry Brittain, Brigadier-General Brooke, Commander Burney, Mr. Campbell, Mr. Cloose, Mr. Coxe, Mr. David Davies, Mr. Dene, Captain Arthur Evans, Sir Harry Foster, Mr. Harrington, Mr. William Hicks, Mr. Human, Colonel Horlick, Sir John Leigh, Dr. Liddle, Mr. Livingstone, Captain Peter Macdonald, Colonel McDonnell, Mr. Scarr, Captain Styles, Major the Marquess of Titchfield, Sir Francis Watton, Mr. David Williams, and Mr. Robert Young.

Mr. William Nicholson further reported from the Committee: That they had added the following Ten Members to Standing Committee D (in respect of the Petroleum Bill [Lords], the Coroners (Amendment) Bill [Lords], and the Local Government (County Boroughs and Adjustments) Bill [Lords]):—Mr. Barr, Sir Henry Cavagley, Mr. Rhyce Davies, Mr. Fenby, Colonel Freame, Mr. Gata, Captain Hacking, Sir Douglas Newton, Mr. March, and Major Salmon; and (in respect of the Petroleum Bill [Lords] and the Coroners (Amendment) Bill [Lords] only) Secretary Sir William Lyon-Hicks and (in respect of the Local Government (County Boroughs and Adjustments) Bill [Lords] only) Sir Kingsley Wood.

Ordered, That the Reports do lie upon the Table.

Message from the Lords.

Mr. Speaker acquainted the House, That a Message had been brought from the Lords by one of their Clerks, as followeth:

The Lords have agreed to the Amendments made by this House to the Law of Property (Amendment) Bill [Lords], without any Amendment.

Ordered, That the Reports do lie upon the Table.

Sir William Bull reported from the Select Committee on Public Petitions; That they had examined the Petitions presented upon the 21st, 22d, and 29th days of April last; the 4th, 5th, 6th, 7th, 10th, 11th, 12th, 13th, 14th, 17th, 18th, 19th, and 20th days of May last, and the 1st, 2nd, 3rd, 4th, 7th, 8th, 9th and 10th days of this instant June, and had directed him to make a Report thereof to the House.

Ordered, That the Report do lie upon the Table; and be printed.

Mr. Morgan Jones reported from Standing Committee B, to whom the Secretaries of State 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.

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The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Legitimacy 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 Roadside Petrol Pumps Bill: 
Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time upon Monday next.

The Order of the day being read, for the Moveable Dwellings Bill: 
Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time upon Monday next.

And then the House, having continued to sit till twenty 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. 80.]

Friday, 11th June 1926.

The House met at Eleven of the clock.

The Order of the day being read, for the Southern Railway Bill; 
Ordered, That the Bill be taken into consideration.

PRAYRS.

THE HOUSE proceeded to take into consideration the Amendments made by the Lords to the Hackney Borough Council Bill; 
Ordered, That the Clerk do carry the Bill to the Lords; and acquaint them that this House has agreed to the Amendments made by their Lordships.

The Order of the day being read, for the Southern Railway Bill; 
Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time.
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.

Lord Eustace Percy presented, pursuant to the directions of an Act of Parliament,—Copy of Statements made under the Universities of Oxford and Cambridge Acts by the University of Cambridge Commissioners for—

(1) Corpus Christi College; and

(2) Selwyn College.

Ordered, That the said Papers do lie upon the Table.

The Lord Advocate presented, by His Majesty's Command,—Copy of Fourteenth Report of the Board of Agriculture for Scotland, for 1925.

The Lord Advocate also presented, pursuant to the directions of an Act of Parliament,—Copy of General Rules for the management of the Gorvan District Asylum under the Lunacy Act, 1857.

Ordered, That the said Papers do lie upon the Table.

Captain Elliot presented, by His Majesty's Command,—Copy of the Housing (Local Bonds) Regulations (Scotland), 1926, made by the Scottish Board of Health, with the approval of the Treasury, under the Housing (Scotland) Act, 1925.

Ordered, That the said Paper do lie upon the Table.

Mr. Secretary Amery presented, by His Majesty's Command,—Copy of Report on the Group Settlements in Western Australia.

Western Australia (Group Settlements.)

Copy of Report of the West Indian Conference.

Ordered, That the said Paper do lie upon the Table.

Mr. William Nicholson reported from the Committee of Selection; That they had discharged the following Members from Standing Committee B:—Sir Vansittart Bowen and Mr. Ernest Crookshank; and had appointed in substitution: Mr. Tiney and Mr. Womersley.

Ordered, That the Report do lie upon the Table.

The Chairman of Ways and Means reported from the Committee on the Pontefract Corporation Bill; That they had examined the allegations contained in the Preamble of the Bill, and amended the same so as to make it consistent with the provisions of the Bill as passed by the Committee, and found the same, as amended, to be true; and had gone through the Bill and made Amendments thereto.

Ordered, That the Report do lie upon the Table; and be printed.

The Chairman of Ways and Means reported from the Committee on the London Electric and Metropolitan District Railway Companies Bill, with Amendments.

Ordered, That the Report do lie upon the Table; and be printed.

Ordered, That the Bill be read the third time upon Monday next.

The House, according to Order, proceeded to Re-election of Ministers 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 the words "passing of this Act," and inserting the words "issue of the next proclamation summoning a new Parliament."—(Mr. Rhys Davies)—instead thereof.

And the Question being proposed, That the words proposed to be left out stand part of the Bill;—And a Debate arising thereupon;

Mr. Clayton rose in his place and claimed to move, That the Question be now put.

And the Question being put, That the Question be now put:

The House divided.

The Yeas to the Right; The Noses to the Left.

Tellers for the / Captain Bowyer: Mr. O'Neill: 162.

Tellers for the / Mr. Charles Edwards; Mr. Hayes: 90.

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 Bill;

The House divided.

The Yeas to the Right; The Noses to the Left.

Tellers for the / Captain Margesson; Mr. Hayes: 165.

Tellers for the / Mr. Charles Edwards; Mr. Hayes: 69.

So it was resolved in the Affirmative.

Another Amendment was proposed to be made to the Bill, in p. 1, l. 11, by inserting, at the end thereof, the words,—

"(2) Notwithstanding anything in any Act, a Member of the Commons House of Parliament who accepts one of the offices of profit mentioned in the Schedule to this Act shall vacate his seat:

Provided that more than nine months have elapsed since the issue of a Proclamation summoning a new Parliament."—(Captain Crookshank.)
And the Question being proposed, That those words be there inserted in the Bill;

The proposed words were amended by adding, at the end thereof, the words, "Provided also that where a Member holds an office mentioned in the Schedule the acceptance by him of another office so mentioned in lieu of or in addition to the office which he so holds and in immediate succession thereto shall not vacate his seat."—(Captain Waterhouse.)

And the Question being proposed, That the proposed words, as amended, be there inserted in the Bill:—And a Debate arising thereupon;

Mr. Clayton 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. O'Neill, 167.

Tellers for the Noes, 

Mr. Barnes, 82.

So it was resolved in the Affirmative.

And the Question being accordingly put, That the proposed words, as amended, be there inserted in the Bill;

The House divided.

The Yeas to the Right;
The Noes to the Left.

Tellers for the Yeas, 

Mr. Frederick Thomson, 183.

Tellers for the Noes, 

Mr. Hayes, 88.

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 taking into consideration the Births and Deaths Registration 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 Finance Bill, Committee on the Finance Bill:

Resolved, That this House will, upon Monday next, resolve itself into the said Committee.

The Order of the day being read, for the 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.

The Order of the day being read, for the Legitimacy Bill [Lords];

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time upon Monday next.

Whereupon Mr. Speaker adjourned the House without Question put, pursuant to Standing Order No. 3, it being then seventeen minutes after Four of the clock, till Monday next.

[No. 81.]

Monday, 14th June 1926.

The House met at a quarter of an hour before Three of the clock.

PRAYERS.

THE House proceeded to take into consideration the Guildford Corporation Bill, as amended in the Committee.

Ordered, That the Bill be read the third time.

The House proceeded to take into consideration the London County Council (Money) Bill, as amended in the Committee.

Ordered, That the Bill be read the third time.
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<td><strong>Ordered, That for the remainder of the Session, Three be the quorum of the Committee.</strong></td>
<td>Motion made, and Question proposed, That the Chairman do report Progress; and ask leave to sit again.—(Mr. Snowden):—Motion, by leave, withdrawn.</td>
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<td><strong>Mr. Guinness presented, pursuant to the directions of an Act of Parliament,—Copy of the Importation of Raw Cherries Order of 1926, dated 11th June 1926, made under the Deportation Insects and Pests Acts.</strong></td>
<td>Another Amendment proposed, in p. 10, l. 7, to leave out paragraph (a).—(Mr. Snowden:) Question put, That paragraph (a) stand part of the Clause.</td>
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<td><strong>Colonel Alden</strong> 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, in respect of an arrangement made in pursuance of Section 19 of that Act, between the Mayor, Aldermen, and Burgesses of the Borough of Ipswich and the Urban District Council of Palmatree.</td>
<td>Another Amendment proposed, in p. 10, l. 13, to leave out paragraph (b).—(Mr. Ammon:) Question put, That paragraph (b) stand part of the Clause.</td>
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The Committee divided.

Tellers for the |
Yes, |
—Captain 
Viscount |
—263. |

Tellers for the |
Noes, |
—Mr. Parkinson. |
—114. |

Clause No. 16 agreed to.

Clause No. 17 (Penalties, disqualification, &c.)

Amendment proposed, in p. 13, l. 5, to leave out subsection (2).—(Sir Henry Page.)

Question put, That that subsection stand part of the Clause.

The Committee divided.

Tellers for the |
Yes, |
—Major 
Viscount |
—265. |

Tellers for the |
Noes, |
—Mr. Charles Edwards. |
—114. |

Clause agreed to.

Clauses No. 18 to No. 24 agreed to.

Clause No. 25 amended, and agreed to.

Clause No. 26 agreed to.

Clause No. 27 (Method of computing profits under Schedule D). Amendment proposed, in p. 18, l. 39, at the end, to insert the words "and income tax now charged or chargeable under Schedule E shall be computed on the full amount of the profits or gains or income of the year preceding the year of assessment."—(Sir Henry Buckingham.)

Question proposed, That those words be there inserted:—Amendment, by leave, withdrawn.

Another Amendment proposed, in p. 20, l. 16, to leave out from the word "the" to the second word "he" in l. 21, in order to insert the words "three years upon which the assessment has been made."—(Sir Henry Buckingham.)

Question proposed, That those words be there inserted:—Amendment, by leave, withdrawn.

Clause agreed to.

Clauses No. 28 and No. 29 agreed to.

Clause No. 30 (Amendment of Rule 11 of Rules applicable to Cases I and II of Schedule D).

Amendment proposed, in p. 22, l. 37, to leave out the word "two," in order to insert the word "twelve."—(Sir Henry Buckingham.)

Question, That the word "two" stand part of the Clause, put, and agreed to.

Another Amendment proposed, in p. 24, l. 20, at the end, to insert the words,—

"Provided always that where any person is the proprietor of, or partner in, any trade or business and—

(a) the interest, or any part of the interest, in that trade or business passes by a voluntary disposition inter vivos made by that person, or under his will, or on his intestacy to the husband or the wife, or any ancestor or lineal descendant of that person; or
(b) the proprietor or partner has registered a limited company to acquire the trade or business with substantial continuity of interest,

and where any company is reconstructed and a new limited company has been registered to carry on substantially the same trade or business, if the proprietor, partners, or company suffered losses before the change in ownership, which losses, but for the change in ownership, would have been carried forward under section thirty-one of this Act, the new proprietor of or partner in the trade or business on application, or the new company on application of the directors, to the Commissioners of Income Tax by whom the assessment was made may be assessed, as if no change in proprietorship had taken place."—(Mr. Womersley.)

Question proposed, That those words be there inserted:—Amendment, by leave, withdrawn.

Clause agreed to.

Clause No. 31 (Relief in respect of certain losses).

Amendment proposed, in p. 25, l. 30, to leave out the word "six."—(Sir Henry Slesser.)

Question proposed, That the word "six" stand part of the Clause:—Amendment, by leave, withdrawn.

Clause agreed to.

Clause No. 32 (Period of computation of profits and gains).

Amendment proposed, in p. 27, l. 21, after the word "against," to insert the words "any decision of the Commissioners of Inland Revenue under paragraph (b), subsection (1) of this section, or."—(Mr. Womersley.)

Question proposed, That those words be there inserted:—Amendment, by leave, withdrawn.

An Amendment made.

Clause, as amended, agreed to.

Clauses No. 33 to No. 38 agreed to.

Clause No. 37 (Provision as to deduction of income tax in computing capital for purposes of excess profits duty.)

Amendment proposed, in p. 31, l. 12, at the end, to add the words, "but shall not apply to those cases in respect of which notices of claim were given prior to the introduction of the Finance Act, 1920."—(Sir Henry Page Croft.)

Question proposed, That those words be there added:—Amendment, by leave, withdrawn.

Clause agreed to.

Clauses No. 38 and No. 39 agreed to.

Clause No. 40 (Amendment as to sum to be paid into Road Fund).

Motion made, and Question, That the Chairman do report Progress; and ask leave to sit again—(Mr. McNeth), put, and agreed to.

Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair; and the Deputy Chairman reported, That the Committee had made Progress in the Bill, and that he was directed to move, That the Committee may have leave to sit again.

Resolved, That this House will, upon Wednesday next, again resolve itself into the said Committee.
Resolved, That this House do now adjourn. Adjournment.

(Major Cope.)

And accordingly the House, having continued to sit till twelve minutes before Ten of the clock, adjourned till to-morrow.

[No. 82.]

Tuesday, 15th June 1926.

The House met at a quarter of an hour before Three of the clock.

Mr. Speaker laid upon the Table,—Report of the Committee on the Post Office (Sites) Bill, referred on the First Reading thereof, no Standing Orders not previously inquired into, which are applicable thereto, have been complied with, viz. :—

Chorley Corporation Bill [Lords].

Ordered, That the Bill be a second time to-morrow.

Mr. Speaker laid upon the Table,—Report of the Committee on the Post Office (Sites) Bill, referred on the First Reading thereof, no Standing Orders not previously inquired into, which are applicable thereto, have been complied with, viz. :—

Land Drainage Provisional Order (No. 2) Bill.

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time to-morrow.

Several Public Petitions were presented, and read; and ordered to lie upon the Table.
15th June, 1926.

Ordered, That the Minutes of the Proceedings of the Standing Committee be printed.

Mr. Speaker acquainted the House, That a Message from the Lords had been brought from the Lords by one of their Clerks, as follows:

The Lords have passed a Bill, intituled An Act to empower the Manchester Ship Canal Company to construct railways and harbours in the Borough of Berwick-upon-Tweed; to make further provisions with respect to the said lands, tenements, and hereditaments, and for other purposes; to which the Lords desire the concurrence of this House.

The Lords have passed a Bill, intituled Berwick-upon-Tweed Corporation Bill, with Amendments; to which the Lords desire the concurrence of this House.

Ordered, That the Bill be referred to the Examiners of Petitions for Private Bills.

Mr. William Nicholson reported from the selection Committee of Selection; That they had disapproved of the following Members from Standing Committee D—Mr. Bird and Sir Harry Committee D.

Ordered, That the Report do lie upon the Table.

Mr. Gove, supported by Mr. Viant, Mr. Vaccination Board, Mr. Westwood, Mr. March, Mr. Bromley, Bill 125.

Ordered, That the Report be given in to the House for the Rag Flock Act, 1911: And that Mr. Mackinder, Sir John Simon, Sir Frank.
The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Legitimacy Act (1911) Amendment Bill; 
Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time to-morrow.

The Order of the day being read, for taking into consideration the Roman Catholic Relief Bill, as amended in the Standing Committee; 
Ordered, That the Bill be taken into consideration upon Monday next.

The Order of the day being read, for taking into consideration the Vinager Bill, as amended in the Standing Committee; 
Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time to-morrow.

The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Access to Mountains Bill; 
Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time upon Monday next.

The Order of the day being read, for the Equalisation of the Sale of Food and Drugs Act (1875) Amendment Bill; 
Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time to-morrow.

The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Equalisation of the Sale of Food and Franchise Bill; 
Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time to-morrow.

The Order of the day being read, for the Shops (Hours of Employment) Act (1875) Amendment Bill; 
Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time to-morrow.

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Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time to-morrow.

The Order of the day being read, for the Public House Improvement Bill; 
Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time upon Thursday next.

The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Public House Improvement 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 Juvenile Courts (Scotland) Bill; 
Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time upon Tuesday next.

The Order of the day being read, for the Blind Persons Bill; 
Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time upon Thursday next.

The Order of the day being read, for resuming Town Tenants Bill; 
Ordered, That the Debate be further adjourned till Tuesday next.

The House, according to Order, resolved itself into the Committee of Supply.

(Visited)

The House, according to Order, resolved itself into the Committee of Supply.

(Roman Catholic Relief Bill)
The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Offices Regulation 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 Leasehold Enfranchisement (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 Works of Art and Antiquities (Prohibition of Removal) 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 Temperance (Wales and Monmouthshire) 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 Rear Reflectors on Cycles 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 Engineers Bill; Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time to-morrow.

The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Merchandise Marks Acts (1887 to 1911) Amendment Bill; Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time to-morrow.

A Motion was made, and the Question being proposed, That this House do now adjourn—(Commander Eyres-Monsell); 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.

The Prayer Book. The House met at a quarter of an hour before Three of the clock.

Wednesday, 16th June 1926.

The House proceeded to take into considera-

London and Metropolitan District Railway Companies Bill, as amended in the Committee. Ordered, That the Bill be read the third time.

The Lord Advocate presented, by His Majesty's Command,—Copy of Report of the Committee of Council on Education in Scotland, 1925-26. The Lord Advocate also presented, pursuant to the directions of several Acts of Parliament, (Scotland.)—Copy of Minute of the Committee of Council on Education in Scotland, dated 16th June 1926, providing for the payment of grants from the Education (Scotland) Fund, under Section 21 (3) (a) of the Education (Scotland) Act, 1918.

Copy of Report by the Chairman of Com-

mittees 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 (1) that the Greenock Burgh Extension, &c., Order is of such a nature that it ought to be dealt with by Private Bill and not by Provisional Order; (2) 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 Papers do lie upon the Table.

Secretary Sir William Joynson-Hicks presented, pursuant to the directions of several Acts 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 Loughborough.

Copy of the Summary Jurisdiction Rules, Summary 1926, dated 11th June 1926, made by the Lord Chancellor under the Criminal Justice Act, 1925.

Ordered, That the said Papers do lie upon the Table.

Ordered, That leave be given to bring in a Venereal Disease Act, 1911, by the Council of the undermentioned Local Authority, and confirmed by the Secretary of State for the Home Department:—Borough of Loughborough.

Copy of the Summary Jurisdiction Rules, Summary 1926, dated 11th June 1926, made by the Lord Chancellor under the Criminal Justice Act, 1925.

Ordered, That the said Papers do lie upon the Table.
The House, according to Order, resolved to the said Acts, as follow:

Thereby authorised, had declared the Royal notifying the Royal Assent to the several Acts returned; therein mentioned; and that the Lords, went hear the Commission read. The Honourable House in the House of Peers, to desire the immediate attendance of this Assent to Acts agreed upon by both Houses. Majesty's Commission, for declaring His Royal of His Majesty's Commission, had been at the House of Peers, where a Commission under the Great Seal was read, giving, declaring, and giving, declaring, and notifying the Royal Assent to several Acts, as follow:

1. Bankruptcy (Amendment) Act, 1926.
2. Weights and Measures (Amendment) Act, 1926.
5. Law of Property (Amendment) Act, 1926.
6. Ayrshire Electricity Order Confirmation Act, 1926.
10. Ministry of Health Provisional Orders Confirmation (No. 1) Act, 1926.
11. Ministry of Health Provisional Orders Confirmation (No. 2) Act, 1926.
17. Accot District Gas and Electricity Act, 1926.
18. Chatham and District Water Act, 1926.
21. Serle Street and Cook's Court Improvement Act, 1926.

Then the House again resolved itself into a Finance Bill Committee on the Finance Bill.

(The Committee.)

Question put, That the words proposed to be left out stand part of the Clause.

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-General Sir William Pulleiney, K.C.B., K.C.M.G., D.S.O., Gentleman Usher of the Black Rod.

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 Acts agreed upon by both Houses, desire the immediate attendance of this Honourable House in the House of Peers, to hear the Commission read.

Accordingly Mr. Speaker, with the House, went up to the House of Peers;—and having returned;

Mr. Speaker reported, That the House, at the desire of the Lords, authorised by virtue of His Majesty's Commission, had been at the House of Peers, where a Commission under the Great Seal was read, giving, declaring, and notifying the Royal Assent to several Acts, as follow:

1. Bankruptcy (Amendment) Act, 1926.
2. Weights and Measures (Amendment) Act, 1926.
5. Law of Property (Amendment) Act, 1926.
6. Ayrshire Electricity Order Confirmation Act, 1926.
10. Ministry of Health Provisional Orders Confirmation (No. 1) Act, 1926.
11. Ministry of Health Provisional Orders Confirmation (No. 2) Act, 1926.
Amendment proposed, in p. 32, 1. 18, to leave out the word "seven," in order to insert the word "one."—(Mr. Snowden.)

Question put, That the word "seven" stand part of the Clause.

The Committee divided.

Tellers for the [Captain Margesson, Yeas, ] 224.

Tellers for the [Mr. Barnes, Noes, ] 129.

Question put, That the Clause stand part of the Bill.

The Committee divided.

Tellers for the [Major Hennessy, Yeas, ] 236.

Tellers for the [Mr. Barnes, Noes, ] 126.

Clauses No. 43 to No. 45 agreed to.

A Clause (Amendment of 15 and 16 Geo. V., c. 36, s. 15)—(Mr. Dabol,)—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. Charles Edwards, Yeas, ] 122.

Tellers for the [Captain Margesson, Noes, ] 237.

Another Clause (Amendment of 10 and 11 Geo. V., c. 18, s. 21)—(Mr. Charles Edwards),—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. Charles Edwards, Yeas, ] 125.

Tellers for the [Mr. Parkinson, Noes, ] 233.

Another Clause (Amendment of 10 and 11 Geo. V., c. 18, s. 22)—(Mr. Charlton),—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. Charles Edwards, Yeas, ] 127.

Tellers for the [Major Hennessy, Noes, ] 233.

Motion made, and Question, That the Chairman do report Progress; and ask leave to sit again—(Mr. Snowden),—put, and agreed to.

Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair; and the Chairman of Ways and Means reported, That the Committee had made Progress in the Bill, and that he was directed to move, That the Committee may have leave to sit again.

Resolved, That this House will, upon Monday next, again resolve itself into the said Committee.

And accordingly the House, having continued to sit till three minutes before Eleven of the clock, adjourned till to-morrow.
The House met at a quarter of an hour before Three of the clock.

**PRAYERS.**

The Guildford 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 London County Council (Money) Bill was read the third time and passed.

Ordered, That the Clerk do carry the Bill to the Lords, and desire their concurrence.

A Public Petition was presented, and read; and ordered to lie upon the Table.

Colonel Ashley presented, pursuant to the directions of an Act of Parliament—Copy of Provisional Regulations, dated 8th June 1926, made by the Minister of Transport under the London Traffic Act, 1926, entitled the London Traffic (Restricted Streets) (Beacons No. 74 and 33) Provisional Regulations, 1926.

Ordered, That the said Paper do lie upon the Table.

[No. 84.] Expenses of the Office of His Majesty's Secretary for Scotland and Subordinate Offices, including Grants and other Expenses in connection with Housing, Grants to Local Authorities, &c., Grants in respect of Benefits and Expenses of Administration under the National Health Insurance Acts, certain expenses in connection with the Widows', Orphans', and Old Age Contributory Pensions Act, 1925, and certain Grants in Aid:

Whereupon Motion made, and Question proposed, That a sum not exceeding £1,858,245 be granted for the said Service—(Mr. Dunoon Graham)—Motion, by leave, withdrawn.

Original Question again proposed.—Motion, by leave, withdrawn.

Class VII.

Motion made, and Question proposed, That a sum not exceeding £1,858,345 be granted to His Majesty, to complete the sum necessary to defray the charge which will come in course of payment during the year ending on the 31st day of March 1927 for the Salaries and Expenses of the Office of His Majesty's Secretary for Scotland and Subordinate Offices, Expenses under the Inebriates Acts, 1879 to 1900, Expenses under the Private Legislation Procedure (Scotland) Act, 1899, a Subsidy for Steamers Services to the Hebrides, and Grants in respect of Unemployment Schemes:

Whereupon Motion made, and Question proposed, That a sum not exceeding £102,609 be granted for the said Service—(Mr. Dunoon Graham)—Motion, by leave, withdrawn.

Original Question again proposed.—Motion, by leave, withdrawn.

Class II.

Motion made, and Question proposed, That a sum not exceeding £433,111 be granted to His Majesty, to complete the sum necessary to defray the charge which will come in course of payment during the year ending on the 31st day of March 1927 for the Salaries and Expenses of the Scottish Board of Health, including Grants and other Expenses in connection with Housing, Grants to Local Authorities, &c., Grants in respect of Benefits and Expenses of Administration under the National Health Insurance Acts, certain expenses in connection with the Widows', Orphans', and Old Age Contributory Pensions Act, 1925, and certain Grants in Aid:

Whereupon Motion made, and Question proposed, That a sum not exceeding £1,878,245 be granted for the said Service—(Mr. Stephen)—Motion, by leave, withdrawn.

Original Question again proposed.—Motion, by leave, withdrawn.

Class VII.

Motion made, and Question proposed, That a sum not exceeding £433,111 be granted to His Majesty, to complete the sum necessary to defray the charge which will come in course of payment during the year ending on the 31st day of March 1927 for the Salaries and Expenses of the Scottish Board of Health, including Grants and other Expenses in connection with Housing, Grants to Local Authorities, &c., Grants in respect of Benefits and Expenses of Administration under the National Health Insurance Acts, certain expenses in connection with the Widows', Orphans', and Old Age Contributory Pensions Act, 1925, and certain Grants in Aid:

Whereupon Motion made, and Question proposed, That a sum not exceeding £1,878,245 be granted for the said Service—(Mr. Stephen)—Motion, by leave, withdrawn.

Original Question again proposed.—Motion, by leave, withdrawn.

Class II.

Motion made, and Question proposed, That a sum not exceeding £433,111 be granted to His Majesty, to complete the sum necessary to defray the charge which will come in course of payment during the year ending on the 31st day of March 1927 for the Salaries and Expenses of the Scottish Board of Health, including Grants and other Expenses in connection with Housing, Grants to Local Authorities, &c., Grants in respect of Benefits and Expenses of Administration under the National Health Insurance Acts, certain expenses in connection with the Widows', Orphans', and Old Age Contributory Pensions Act, 1925, and certain Grants in Aid:

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.

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The Order of the day being read, for the Legitimacy Bill; [ Lords. ]
Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time upon Monday next.

Commander Eyres-Monsell reported from the Committee on Criminal Appeal (Scotland) [Money], a Resolution; which was read, as (Money.) follows:

That it is expedient to authorise the payment, out of moneys provided by Parliament, of the cost of taking shorthand notes and of making transcripts, in pursuance of any Act of the present Session to amend the Law of Scotland relating to appeal in criminal cases tried on indictment.

The said Resolution, being read a second time, was agreed to.

The Order of the day being read, for Vinegar Bill, taking into consideration the Vinegar 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 Blind Persons Second Reading of the Blind Persons Bill;
Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time upon Monday next.

The Order of the day being read, for the Office of Second Reading of the Offices Regulation Bill;
Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time upon Monday next.

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The Order of the day being read, for the Protection of Animals Bill;
Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time to-morrow.

The Order of the day being read, for the Equalisation of the Franchise Bill;
Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time to-morrow.

The Order of the day being read, for the Post Office (Sites) (re-committed) Bill;
Ordered, That this House will, upon Monday next, resolve itself into the said Committee.
June 1926 [with a Map] (Ratifications have not yet been exchanged).

Ordered, That the said Papers do lie upon the Table.

Ordered, That the Public House Improvement Bill be read a second time upon Monday next.

Mr. Speaker acquainted the House, That a Message from the Lords by one of their Clerks, as follows:

The Lords have agreed to the Midwives and Maternity Homes Bill, with Amendments; to which the Lords desire the concurrence of this House.

The Lords have agreed to the London, Midland, and Scottish Railway Bill, with Amendments; to which the Lords desire the concurrence of this House.

The Chairman of Ways and Means reported from the Committee on the Marriage Provisional Order (No. 2) Bill; That they had considered the Order therein contained; that the said Order ought to be confirmed; and that they had directed him to report the Bill, without Amendment, to the House.

Ordered, That the Bill be read the third time upon Monday next.

The Chairman of Ways and Means reported from the Committee on the Pier and Harbour 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 upon Monday next.

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The House, according to Order, proceeded to consider the Criminal Justice (Increase of Penalties) Bill, as amended in the Standing Committee:

Ordered, That the Bill be read the third time upon Monday next.

Ordered, That the Proceedings of the 9th Public Health day of this instant June in relation to the Public Health (Smoke Abatement) Bill [Lords] be null and void; and that the Bill be read a second time upon Monday next.—(Commander Eyres-Monson.)

The House, according to Order, proceeded to consider the Criminal Justice (Increase of Penalties) Bill, as 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 "indicent," the words "otherwise than at quarter sessions."—[Sir Henry Stessens.]

And the Question being put, That those words be there inserted in the Bill:
18th June.

The House divided.
The Yeas to the Right;
The Noes to the Left.

Tellers for the [Lord Henry Cavendish-Bentinck, 43,
Yeas, Mr. Patrick-Lawrence :]
Tellers for the [Mr. Grose-Loatd, 74,
Noes, Mr. Atkinson :]

So it passed in the Negative.

Another Amendment was proposed to be made to the Bill, in p. 2, l. 16, by leaving out the word "seven," and inserting the word "five."—(Mr. Patrick-Lawrence).—instead thereof.

And the Question being put, That the word "seven" stand part of the Bill;
The House divided.
The Yeas to the Right;
The Noes to the Left.

Tellers for the [Mr. Grose-Lord, 94,
Yeas, Mr. Atkinson :]
Tellers for the [Lord Henry Cavendish-Bentinck, 32,
Noes, Mr. Patrick-Lawrence :]

So it was resolved in the Affirmative.

Then an Amendment was made to the Bill.
A Motion was made, and the Question being put, That the Bill be now read the third time;
The House divided.
The Yeas to the Right;
The Noes to the Left.

Tellers for the [Mr. Grose-Lord, 88,
Yeas, Sir Henry Cavendish-Bentinck :]
Tellers for the [Lord Henry Cavendish-Bentinck, 54,
Noes, Mr. Patrick-Lawrence :]

So it was resolved in the Affirmative.

The Bill was accordingly read the third time and passed.

Ordered, That the Clerk do carry the Bill to the Lords, and desire their concurrence.

The House, according to Order, proceeded to take into consideration the Adoption of ChildrenBill, as amended in the Standing Committee.

A Clause was offered to be added to the Bill (Power to court to cancel or vary adoption order).—(Sir Charles Oman.)

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. 2, l. 1, by leaving out subsection (2).—(Sir Robert Neumann.)

And the Question being put, That the words proposed to be left out stand part of the Bill:—The said proposed Amendment was, with leave of the House, withdrawn.

Then another Amendment was made to the Bill.

Another Amendment was proposed to be made to the Bill, in p. 2, l. 11, by inserting, at the end thereof, the words—

"Nor shall an adoption order be made on the application of the parent, or parents, of the infant if any grandparent, or grandparents, uncle, or aunt of the infant shall have promised themselves ready to take charge of and responsibility of the infant, and shall, in the opinion of the court, be fit and proper persons to assume that responsibility."—(Sir Charles Oman.)

And the Question being put, That those words be there inserted in the Bill:—It passed in the Negative.

Another Amendment was proposed to be made to the Bill, in p. 2, l. 18, by inserting, at the end thereof, the words '"or that it would be of advantage to the infant for the order to be made.'—(Sir Robert Neumann.)

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. 25, by inserting, at the end thereof, the words "or has been judicially separated for not less than fifteen years from his or her spouse."—(Mr. Gerald Hurst.)

And the Question being proposed, That those words be there inserted in the Bill:—The said proposed Amendment was, with leave of the House, withdrawn.

Another Amendment was proposed to be made to the Bill, in p. 2, l. 26, by inserting, after the word "not," the words "save as hereinafter provided."—(Captain Bourne.)

And the Question being proposed, That those words be there inserted in the Bill:—The said proposed Amendment was, with leave of the House, withdrawn.

Then another Amendment was made to the Bill.

Another Amendment was proposed to be made to the Bill, in p. 2, l. 29, by inserting, at the end thereof, the words "except in special circumstances where the applicant is resident and domiciled elsewhere within His Majesty's dominions."—(Mr. Gerald Hurst.)

And the Question being put, That those words be there inserted in the Bill:—It passed in the Negative.

Another Amendment was proposed to be made to the Bill, in p. 2, l. 29, by inserting, at the end thereof, the words—

"Nor shall an adoption order be made on the application of the parent, or parents, of the infant if any grandparent, or grandparents, uncle, or aunt of the infant shall have promised themselves ready to take charge of and responsibility of the infant, and shall, in the opinion of the court, be fit and proper persons to assume that responsibility."—(Sir Charles Oman.)

And the Question being put, That those words be there inserted in the Bill:—It passed in the Negative.

Another Amendment was proposed to be made to the Bill, in p. 2, l. 34, by inserting, after the word "to," the words "either orally or by affidavit."—(Mr. Gerald Hurst.)
17 G. V. 18th—21st June.

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. 42, by leaving out from the word "infant" to the end of Clause 3, and inserting the words "and that if the infant is twelve years of age or over the consent of the infant has been given, and that if the infant is below twelve years of age the proposal for adoption by the adopter has the approval of the infant so far as, having regard to age and understanding, the infant is capable of appreciating it"—(Sir Robert Newman)—instead thereof.

And the Question being put, That the words proposed to be left out, to the word "adopter," in p. 3, l. 5, stand part of the Bill:—It was resolved in the Affirmative.

Then other Amendments were made to the Bill.

Ordered, That the Bill be now read the third time:—The Bill was accordingly read the third time and passed.

Ordered, That the Clerk do carry the Bill to the Lords, and desire their concurrence.

The House, according to Order, proceeded to take into consideration the Births and Deaths Registration Bill, as amended in the Standing Committee.

And an Amendment was made to the Bill.

Ordered, That the Bill be now read the third time:—The Bill was accordingly read the third time and passed.

Ordered, That the Clerk do carry the Bill to the Lords, and desire their concurrence.

The House, according to Order, proceeded to take into consideration the Heather Burning (Scotland) Bill, as amended in the Standing Committee.

And an Amendment was made to the Bill.

Ordered, That the Bill be now read the third time:—The Bill was accordingly read the third time and passed.

Ordered, That the Clerk do carry the Bill to the Lords, and desire their concurrence.

A Clause (Conditions as to registration and inspection) was twice read; and made part of the Bill.

Then an Amendment was made to the Bill.

Ordered, That the Bill be read the third time.

The House proceeded to take into consideration the Dover Harbour Bill, as amended in the Standing Committee.

A Clause (Crown minerals) was twice read; and made part of the Bill.

Then an Amendment was made to the Bill.

Ordered, That the Bill be read the third time.

The House proceeded to take into consideration the Halifax Corporation Bill [Lords], as amended in the Standing Committee.

And Amendments were made to the Bill.

Ordered, That the Bill be read the third time.

The House proceeded to take into consideration the Swindon Corporation Bill, as amended in the Standing Committee.

Ordered, That the Bill be read the third time.

The Chailey Corporation Bill [Lords] was Chailey Corporation Bill [Lords] read a second time, and committed.
Mr. William Nicholson reported from Standing Committee D, to whom the Land Drainage 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 to-morrow; and be printed.

Mr. William Nicholson reported from Standing Committee D, to whom the Market and Fairs (Weighing of Cattle) Bill [Lords] 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 to-morrow.

Mr. William Nicholson reported from the Committee of Selection: That they had discharged the following Member from Standing Committee D.—Major the Marquis of Titchfield; and had appointed in substitution: Sir Douglas Newton.

Mr. William Nicholson further reported from Standing Committee D, that they had added the following Member to Standing Committee D in respect of the Local Government (County Boroughs and Adjustments) Bill [Lords]:—Mr. Mitchell Banks.

Ordered, That the Reports do lie upon the Table.

Colonel Lane-Fox, supported by Secretary of State for India in Council, under section 97 of the Government of India Act, presented a Bill to amend temporarily the Coal Mines Acts, 1897 to 1919, with respect to the hours of employment below ground; and the same was ordered to be read a second time upon Wednesday next; and to be printed.

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The House, according to Order, resolved itself into a Committee on the Finance Bill.

(In the Committee.)
Another Clause (Repeal of sugar duties) (Mr. Stephen),—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 Amendment proposed, in p. 35, l. 11, at the end, to insert the words "in the Metropolitan police area."—(Mr. Macquisten.)

Question, That those words be there inserted, put, and negatived.

Colonel Sir Arthur Holbrook.

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Another Amendment proposed, in p. 38, after the word "tractors," to insert the words "timber tractors."—(Colonel Sir Arthur Holbrook.)

Another Amendment proposed, in p. 38, after the word "used," to insert the word "solely."—(Captain Crookshank.)
Question proposed, That the word "solely" be there inserted:—Amendment, by leave, withdrawn.

Another Amendment proposed, in p. 37, l. 5, at the end, to insert the words "other than vehicles kept by a local authority and used in the performance of their duties relating to the removal of refuse and the cleaning, watering, and repairing of streets."—(Mr. Womersley.)

Question put, That those words be there inserted.

The Committee divided.

Tellers for the

Yeas, Mr. James Hudson : 27.
Mr. Frederick Thom- son : 131.


Another Amendment proposed, in p. 37, l. 5, to leave out the words "12 cwt.," in order to insert the words "15 cwt."—(Mr. Crawfurd.)

Question, That the words "12 cwt." stand part of the Schedule, put, and agreed to.

Another Amendment proposed, in p. 37, l. 7, after the word "unladen," to insert the words "such weight not to include the weight of apparatus used in the vehicle for a specific trade and not supplied with the vehicle by the manufacturer thereof."—(Mr. Albert Alexander.)

Question put, That those words be there inserted.

The Committee divided.

Tellers for the

Mr. Charles Edwards : 17.

Mr. Frederick Thom- son : 136.

Another Amendment proposed, in p. 37, l. 18, to leave out the words "of - £10.," in order to insert the words—

"Being a trailer not exceeding 2 tons in weight unladen - £2
Being a trailer exceeding 2 tons in weight unladen - - - - £4."—(Colonel Horlick.)

Question proposed, That the words proposed to be left out stand part of the Schedule:—Amendment, by leave, withdrawn.

Another Amendment proposed, in p. 37, l. 18, at the end, to add the words,—

"Vehicles propelled by electricity stored in and conveyed by the vehicle and exceeding twenty-five hundredweight in weight unladen to be charged at fifty per cent. only of the before-mentioned rates of duty for the appropriate weight."—(Captain Arthur Evans.)

Question proposed, That those words be there added:—Amendment, by leave, withdrawn.

Schedule agreed to.

Schedules No. 2 to No. 5 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 Standing Committee, be taken into consideration upon Monday next; and be printed.

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 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 Public Health Second Reading of the Public Health (Smoke Abatement) Bill [Lords];

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time this day.

The Order of the day being read, for taking Executive of into consideration the Execution of Diligence (Scotland) Bill [Lords], as amended in the Standing Committee.

Ordered, That the Bill be taken into consideration this day.

The Order of the day being read, for the Criminal Justice (Amendment) Bill;

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time this day.

The Order of the day being read, for taking Secretaries of into consideration the Secretaries of State Bill, as amended in the Standing Committee;

Ordered, That the Bill be taken into consideration this day.

The Order of the day being read, for the Post Office 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 Legitimacy Second Reading of the Legitimacy (Amendment) Bill [Lords];

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time this day.

Resolved, That the draft of a Special Order Gas proposed to be made by the Board of Trade Regulation under Section 10 of the Gas Regulation Act, 1920, on the application of the Leatherhead Gas and Lighting Company, which was presented on the 29th April and published, be approved.—(Sir Burton Chadwick.)

Resolved, That the draft of a Special Order Gas proposed to be made by the Board of Trade Regulation under Section 10 of the Gas Regulation Act, 1920, on the application of the Tawe Valley Gas Company, which was presented on the 29th April and published, be approved.—(Sir Burton Chadwick.)

Resolved, That the draft of a Special Order Gas proposed to be made by the Board of Trade Regulation under Section 10 of the Gas Regulation Act, 1920, on the application of the Chapel Whaley
and District Gas Company, which was presented on the 29th April and published, be approved.—(Sir Burton Constable.)

The Order of the day being read, for taking into consideration the Roman Catholic Relief 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 Vinegar 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 resuming the adjourned Debate on the Question proposed upon the 18th day of this instant June, That the Clause (Conditions as to registration and inspection) proposed on consideration of the Births and Deaths Registration Bill, as amended in the Standing Committee, be read a second time;

Ordered, That the Debate be further adjourned till Friday next.

The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Access to Mountains 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 Leasehold Enfranchisement (No. 2) 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 Blind Persons 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 Offices Regulation Bill;

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time this day.

The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Engineers 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 Merchandise Marks Acts (1887 to 1911) Amendment Bill;

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time this day.

And it being after half-past Eleven of the clock on Monday evening, Mr. Deputy Speaker adjourned the House without Question put, pursuant to the Standing Order, it being then twenty-one minutes after One of the clock on Tuesday morning, till this day.

Ordered, That the said Paper do lie upon the Table.

PRAYERS.

Mr. Speaker laid upon the Table,—Report Private Bills

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, with which are applicable thereto, have been complied with, viz.:

Falmouth Docks Bill [Lords].
Berwick-upon-Tweed Corporation (Freemen) Bill [Lords].
Manchester Ship Canal (General Powers) Bill [Lords].
Ordered, That the Bills be read a second time.

A Motion being made, That the Pontefract, Pendleton, Corporation Bill be now read the third time; and notice being taken, that the interest of His Majesty, as Duke of Lancaster, is concerned therein;

Mr. Hope, 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 Edinburgh Corporation (General Powers) 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.

Colonel Sir John Gilmore presented a Bill to Glasgow University, for the Promotion of Education and the Establishment of a University at Glasgow. The Bill was brought in and read the First and Second time. Ordered, That the same be referred to the Standing Committee to be further considered. Ordered, That the said Paper do lie upon the Table.

A Public Petition was presented, and read; Public Petition. Ordered, That the same be referred to the Standing Committee to be further considered. Ordered, That the same be referred to the Standing Committee to be further considered. Ordered, That the said Paper do lie upon the Table.
Communist Papers. presented, by His Majesty's Command,—Copy of Documents selected from those obtained on the arrest of the Communist Leaders on 14th and 21st October 1925.

Secretary Sir William Joyce-Hicks presented, pursuant to the directions of an Act of Parliament,—Copy of Regulations, dated 21st June 1926, made under the Factory and Workshop Act, 1901, in respect of certain building operations.

Ordered, That the said Papers do lie upon the Table.

Factory and Workshop (Dangerous and Unhealthy Industries.) Secretary Sir William Joyce-Hicks also presented, pursuant to the directions of an Act of Parliament,—Copy of the Bill as passed by the Committee, and 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 Abertillery and District Water Board Bill [Lords]; That they had examined the allegations contained in the Preamble of the Bill, and amended the same so as to make it consistent with the provisions of the Bill as passed by the Committee, and found the same, as amended, to be true; and had gone through the Bill and made Amendments thereto.

Ordered, That the Report do lie upon the Table; and be printed.

The Chairman of Ways and Means reported from the Committee on the Bethlem Hospital Bill [Lords]; That in accordance with the instruction of the House of the 19th May, the Committee found that provision had been made in the Bill as laid before them for confirming the agreement between the governors of the hospital and the Right Honourable Viscount Rothermere, with respect to the hospital, and for the vesting of the hospital site or part thereof in the London County Council as an open space; that there are no other circumstances of which, in the opinion of the Committee, it is desirable that the House should be informed.

Ordered, That the said Paper do lie upon the Table.

The Chairman of Ways and Means reported from the Committee on the Bethlem Hospital Bill [Lords]; That they had examined the allegations contained in the Preamble of the Bill, and amended the same, so as to make it consistent with the provisions of the Bill as passed by the Committee, and found the same, as amended, to be true; and had gone through the Bill and made Amendments thereto, and had amended the Title of the Bill as follows:—"An Act to provide for the removal of Bethlem Hospital to the Monk's completed.

Ordered, That the said Paper do lie upon the Table.

Ashley presented, pursuant to the directions of an Act of Parliament,—Copy of Provisional Regulations, dated 16th June 1926, made by the Minister of Transport under the London Traffic Act, 1924, entitled the London Traffic (Restricted Streets) Amendment Provisional Regulations, 1926.

Ordered, That the said Paper do lie upon the Table.

Post Office Savings Banks. Mr. M'Neil presented, pursuant to the directions of an Act of Parliament,—Accounts of all Deposits received and paid during the year ended 31st December 1925, 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 1925, and the nature and amount of the Securities held by the Commissioners for the Reduction of the National Debt to meet those Liabilities at that date.

Ordered, That the said Paper do lie upon the Table.

Sir Philip Cunliffe-Lister presented, pursuant to the directions of an Act of Parliament,—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 Dunstable Gas and Water Company.

Ordered, That the said Paper do lie upon the Table.


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Ordered, That the Report do lie upon the Table.

Voting Areas in Counties in Scotland. The Lord Advocate presented, by His Majesty's Command,—Copy of Return of Voting Areas in Counties in Scotland in which polls were taken in 1922 and 1923 under the Temperance (Scotland) Act, 1913, showing the number of electors on the registers on which polls were taken, the results of the polls, and the cost of the polls so far as falling upon Local Authorities.

Ordered, That the said Paper do lie upon the Table.

Ordered, That the Report do lie upon the Table; and be printed.

The Chairman of Ways and Means reported the Connah's Quay Urban District Council Water Bill [Lords], with Amendments.

Ordered, That the Report do lie upon the Table; and be printed.

Sir Park Goff reported from the Committee on Tramways on Group E of Private Bills; That in the case of the Tramways Provisional Order Bill, 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; and be printed.

Ordered, That the Bill, as amended in the Committee, be taken into consideration tomorrow.

Sir Park Goff reported from the Committee on Group E of Private Bills; That Mr. Buckett, 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. WilliamNicholas reported from the Committee of Selection; That they had added the following Members to the Standing Committee on Scottish Bills (in respect of the Racing (Scotland) Bill)—The Lord Advocate, Lord Balfour, Sir Charles Cogger, Mr. Connolly, Lord Colquhoun-Stuart, Mr. John O'Keefe, Mr. Hayden Jones, Mr. Lawson, Major Alex McLean, Mr. Sunniman, Captain Geoffrey Shaw, Major Steel, Mr. Charles Williams, and Mr. Winder.

Ordered, That the Report do lie upon the Table.

Mr. James Brown reported from the Standing Committee on Scottish Bills, to whom the Criminal Appeal (Scotland) Bill (Lords) was referred; That they had gone through the Bill, and made Amendments thereto.

Ordered, That the Report do lie upon the Table; and be printed.

Ordered, That the Minutes of the Proceedings of the Standing Committee be printed.

Bill 132.

Mr. Speaker informed the House that he had been honoured by a proposal of the University of Oxford to confer upon him a Degree, which he had received. He had therefore to ask the indulgence and leave of the House to absent himself.

The House signified its assent, for which Mr. Speaker returned his thanks.

Ordered, That the Bill to be reported from the Committee, be taken into consideration upon Thursday next; and be printed.

Ordered, That the Law relating to order in streets or public places be directed to report the same, without Amendment.

The Legitimacy Bill (Lords) was, according to Order, read a second time, and committed to a 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 cause the Bill to the Lords, and desire their concurrence.

The Public Health (Smoke Abatement) Bill Public Health (Scotland) Bill was, according to Order, read a second time, and committed to a 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 Secretaries of State 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 Execution of the Order in Council of 1860, and the Bill, and a second time upon Tuesday next; and be printed. 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 Post Office (Sites) Bill, and committed to a 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 report the Bill to the Lords, and acquiesce in the Bill, and directed him to report the same, without Amendment.

Ordered, That the Clerk do carry the Bill to the Lords, and desire their concurrence.

The House, according to Order, resolved itself into a Committee of Ways and Means.
(In the Committee.)

MONEYLenders (Excise).

Resolved, That on and after the first day of January, nineteen hundred and twenty-seven, there shall be charged on a licence to be taken out annually by a moneylender an Excise duty of fifteen pounds, or, if the licence be taken out not more than six months before the expiration thereof, of ten pounds.—(Mr. Solicitor General.)

Resolution to be reported.

Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair; and the Chairman of Ways and Means reported, That the Committee had come to a Resolution.

Ordered, That the Report be received to-morrow.

The Chairman of Ways and Means also acquainted the House that he was directed to sit again.

Resolved, That this House will, to-morrow, again resolve itself into the said Committee.

The Order of the day being read, for taking 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 taking into consideration the Markets and Fairs (Weighing of Cattle) Bill [Lords], not 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 Land Drainage Bill [Lords], as amended in the Standing Committee;

Ordered, That the Bill be taken into consideration to-morrow.

Adjourned. Resolved, That this House do now adjourn.—(Commander Eyres-Monsell.)

And accordingly the House, having continued to sit till six minutes after Eight of the clock, adjourned till to-morrow.

[No. 88.]

Wednesday, 23rd June 1926.

The House met at a quarter of an hour before Three of the clock.

Mr. Speaker's Absence.

TRETHE Clerk at the Table informed the House of the unavoidable absence of Mr. Speaker from this day's Sitting.—Whereupon Mr. Hope, the Chairman of Ways and Means, proceeded to the Table, and, after Prayers, took the Chair as Deputy Speaker, pursuant to the Standing Order.

Ordered, That the Amendments made by the London, Lords to the London, Midland, and Scottish Railway Bill be taken into consideration upon Railway Bill, Monday next.

The Order of the day being read, for taking Ministry of Health Provisional Orders (No. 4) Bill, as amended in the Committee;

Ordered, That the Bill be taken into consideration upon Monday next.

The Order of the day being read, for taking Tramways Provisional Order Bill, as amended in the Committee;

Ordered, That the Bill be taken into consideration upon Monday next.

The Order of the day being read, for taking into consideration the Glasgow Education Authority (Juvenile Delinquency) Order Confirmation Bill;

Ordered, That the Bill be taken into consideration upon Monday next.

Secretaries Sir Austen Chamberlain presented; Treaty Series by His Majesty's Command,—Copy of Notes (No. 14, 1926.) exchanged between the United Kingdom and Italy respecting Lake Tana. Rome, 14th to 26th December 1925.


Ordered, That the said Papers do lie upon the Table.

Mr. Secretary Amery presented, by His Australian Majesty's Command,—Copy of Correspondence relating to the Appointment of Governors of the Australian States.

Ordered, That the said Paper do lie upon the Table.

Mr. Neville Chamberlain presented, pursuant Contributions to the directions of an Act of Parliament,—Pensions (Regulations.) Copy of the Contributory Pensions (Appropriation in Aid) Regulations, 1926, dated 18th June 1926.

Ordered, That the said Paper do lie upon the Table.

Sir Edmund Turton reported from Standing Committee A, to whom the Chartered Associations (Protection of Names and Uniforms) 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.

Ordered, That the Shops (Hours of Employment) Bill be read a second time upon Tuesday next.
Mr. Speaker acquainted the House, That a Message had been brought from the Lords by one of their Clerks, as followeth:

The Lords have passed a Bill, intituled An Act to amend the law with respect to the constitution of the Judicial Committee of the Privy Council; to which the Lords desire the concurrence of this House.

The Lords have passed a Bill, intituled An Act to confirm certain Provincial Orders of the Minister of Health relating to Hythe, King's Lynn, Liverpool, Middletown, Sandown and Shanklin Joint Hospital District and Isle of Wight Joint Hospital District, and Sheffield; to which the Lords desire the concurrence of this House.

The Lords have passed a Bill, intituled An Act to confirm certain Provincial Orders of the Minister of Health relating to Cradleigh District Water, Southwold, and West Surrey Water; to which the Lords desire the concurrence of this House.

The Lords have passed a Bill, intituled An Act to confirm certain Provincial Orders of the Minister of Health relating to Dunstable Water, Harefield and District Water; to which the Lords desire the concurrence of this House.

The Lords have passed a Bill, intituled An Act to confirm certain Provincial Orders of the Minister of Health relating to Hertford and Middlesex and Watford; to which the Lords desire the concurrence of this House.

The Lords have passed a Bill, intituled An Act to confer further powers upon the Mayor, Aldermen, and Burgesses of the Borough of Southend-on-Sea with respect to the disposal of sewage; to make further provision with regard to the improvement of the borough and the health and good government thereof, and for other purposes; to which the Lords desire the concurrence of this House.

The Lords have passed a Bill, intituled An Act to confirm certain Provincial Orders of the Minister of Health relating to Thorne and District Water, Trowbridge Water, and Wokingham District Water; to which the Lords desire the concurrence of this House.

The Lords have passed a Bill, intituled An Act to confirm certain Provincial Orders of the Minister of Health relating to Cranleigh and Middlesex and Watford; to which the Lords desire the concurrence of this House.

The Lords have passed a Bill, intituled An Act to extend the time limited for the construction of certain tramways and street works; to confer further powers upon the Rhondda Urban District Council with respect to their water undertaking, and for other purposes; to which the Lords desire the concurrence of this House.

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The Ministry of Health Provisional Orders Confirmation (No. 7) 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 Confirmation (No. 8) 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 Confirmation (No. 9) 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 Confirmation (No. 10) 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 Confirmation (No. 11) 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 West Hampshire Water Bill [Lords] was read the first time.

Ordered, That the Bill be referred to the Examiners of Petitions for Private Bills.

The Rhondda Urban District Council Bill [Lords] was read the first time.

Ordered, That the Bill be referred to the Examiners of Petitions for Private Bills.

Sir Philip Richardson, supported by Colonel Seddons and Sir Arthur Holbrook, Sir Rowland Blades, Sir Nicholas Granton Dougall, Sir Wilfrid Sugden, Sir Douglas Newton, Mrs. Philpsoen, Colonel Sir Alistair Buroghe, Mr. Penny, Colonel Burton, and Mr. Smudley Cooke, presented a Bill to prevent the teaching of Seditions and Blasphemous Doctrines and Methods to Children, and for other purposes connected therewith: And the same was ordered to be read a second time upon Wednesday next; and to be printed.

The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Mining Industry 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, believing that a comprehensive policy of unification in the coal industry under public ownership and control, with progressive development of the scientific treatment of coal, is essential to secure the prosperity of the industry and the
interests of the public, declines to assent to the Second Reading of a Bill which not only fails to provide for systematic unification but also, by leaving amalgamation to the voluntary act of the owners without compulsion in case of default at the end of a specified period, and by omitting any provision for the transfer of minerals to the State, the establishment of selling agencies, and the municipal sale of coal disregards the recommendations of the Royal Commission."—(Mr. Hartshorn),—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
Colonel Gibbs,
Sir Harry Barnston:
Yea,
336.
Tellers for the
Mr. Parkinson,
Mr. Charles Edwards:
Nee;
147.

So 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 Second Reading of the Coal Mines 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 receiving the Report from the Committee of Ways and Means of the 22nd day of this instant June;

Ordered, That the Report be received to-morrow.

The Order of the day being read, for taking into consideration the Markets and Fairs (Weighing of Cattle) Bill (Lords), not 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 Land Drainage Bill (Lords), 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 Roman Catholic Relief 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 Vinegar Bill into consideration the Vinegar Bill as amended in the Standing Committee;

Ordered, That the Bill be taken into consideration to-morrow.

The Rag Flock Act (1911) Amendment Bill Rag Flock was, according to Order, read a second time, and committed to a Standing Committee.

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time upon Monday next.

The Order of the day being read, for resuming Town Tenants Bill; the adjourned Debate on the Question proposed upon the 19th day of February last, That the Town Tenants 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 Asylums Officers' Superannuation (Amendment) Bill;

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time upon Monday next.

The Order of the day being read, for the Leasehold Enfranchisement (No. 2) Bill;

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time upon Monday next.

The Order of the day being read, for the Blind Persons Bill;

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time upon Monday next.

The Order of the day being read, for the Offices Regulation Bill;

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time upon Monday next.

The Order of the day being read, for the Merchandise Marks Acts (1887 to 1911) Amendment Bill;

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time upon Monday next.

And then the House, having continued to sit till six minutes after Eleven of the clock, adjourned till to-morrow.
The House met at a quarter of an hour before Three of the clock.

P R A Y E R S.

Ordered, That the Halifax Corporation Bill [Lords.] be read the third time upon Monday next.

Ordered, That the Swindon Corporation Bill be read the third time upon Monday next.

Mr. Secretary Amery presented, by His Majesty's Command,—Copy of Report of a Committee appointed to consider certain Questions relating to Thirty-nine Pictures bequeathed under the Will of the late Sir Hugh Lane.

Ordered, That the said Paper be upon the Table.

Colonel Ashley presented, pursuant to the directions of an Act of Parliament,—Copy of Provisional Regulations, dated 21st June 1926, made by the Minister of Transport under the London Traffic Act, 1924, entitled the London Traffic (Restricted Streets) Amendment (Church Street, Enfield) Provisional Regulations, 1926.

Ordered, That the said Paper be upon the Table.

Mr. McNell presented, by His Majesty's Command,—Copy of Treasury Minute, dated 21st June 1926, relative to the Gifts of Naval Prize to the Governments of the Commonwealth of Australia, the Union of South Africa, and India.

Mr. McNell also presented, pursuant to the directions of several Acts of Parliament,—Account of Revenue and Expenditure in respect of the Duties of the Customs of the Isle of Man, and Accounts of the Accumulated Fund, and of Passenger Tax and Harbour Dues, for the year ended 31st March 1926, with the Report of the Comptroller and Auditor General thereon.

Copy of Treasury Minute, dated 18th June 1926, directing the application of moneys received by the Board of Trade in the year ended 31st March 1926, in respect of the rights and interests of the Crown in the Foreshores of the United Kingdom.

Ordered, That the said Papers be upon the Table.

Resolved, That an humble Address be presented to His Majesty that He will graciously pleased to give directions that there be laid before this House a Return of the Budget of the Governor-General of India in Council for 1926-27.—(Mr. Winterbottom.)

Mr. William Nicholson reported from the Chairman's Panel; That they had appointed him to act as Chairman of Standing Committee D (in respect of the Mining Industry).
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further powers upon that company, and for other purposes; to which the Lords desire the concurrence of this House.

The Lords have passed a Bill, intituled An Act to authorise the Mexborough and Swinton Tramways Company to provide and work trolley vehicles on additional routes, and for other purposes; to which the Lords desire the concurrence of this House.

Ordered, That the Bill be referred to the Examiners of Petitions for Private Bills.

The Scottish Widows' Fund and Life Assurance Society Bill [Lords.] was read the first time.

Ordered, That the Bill be referred to the Examiners of Petitions for Private Bills.

The Newcastle-upon-Tyne and Gateshead Corporations (Bridge) Bill [Lords.] was read the first time.

Ordered, That the Bill be referred to the Examiners of Petitions for Private Bills.

The Shropshire, Worcestershire, and Staffordshire Electric Power Bill [Lords.] was read the first time.

Ordered, That the Bill be referred to the Examiners of Petitions for Private Bills.

The Mexborough and Swinton Tramways Bill [Lords.] was read the first time.

Ordered, That the Bill be referred to the Examiners of Petitions for Private Bills.

Mr. William Nicholson reported from the Committee of Selection; that they had discharged the following Members from the Standing Committee on Scottish Bills (added in respect of the Rating (Scotland) Bill):—Mr. Campbell, Mr. Sundemann, and Mr. Charles W. Williams; and had appointed in substitution: Sir Edward Bouverie, Lord Perceval, and Mr. Russell.

Mr. William Nicholson further reported from the Committee; that they had discharged the following Members from Standing Committee D:—Mr. John Baker, Mr. Close, Mr. Cope, Mr. Drew, Mr. William Hirst, and Mr. Spencer; and had appointed in substitution: Sir Gerome Beckett, Mr. Cope, Mr. Charles Edmonds, Mr. John, Mr. Lee, and Mr. Spencer.

Mr. William Nicholson further reported from the Committee; that they had added the following Twenty-three Members to Standing Committee D (in respect of the Mining Industry Bill):—Lord Balcarres, Mr. Bennett, Major Boyd-Carpenter, Colonel Douglas Clifton Brown, Sir William Bull, Lord Henry Cawood-Henstich, the Marquess of Hartington, Mr. Robert Hudson, Colonel Lane-Poole, Mr. Lawson, Captain Macmillan, Sir Alfred Mond, Mr. Parke, Major Repiner, Mr. Skelton, Mr. Smillie, Mr. Selborne, Sir John Hope, Lady Lyttelton, Viscountess Manvers, Mr. Varley, Mr. Walsh, Captain Waterhouse, Mr. Westwood, and Secretary Sir Lionel Worthington-Evans.

Ordered, That the Reports do lie upon the Table.

The Judicial Committee Bill [Lords.] was read the first time, and ordered to be read a second time to-morrow; and to be printed.

Secretary Sir William Joyce, supported by Captain Hacking, presented a Bill to amend the Law with respect to the salaries and pensions of persons hereafter appointed to be judges of the Supreme Court of Judicature of Northern Ireland, and with respect to certain matters connected with that Court: And the same was ordered to be read a second time upon Monday next; and to be printed.

The House, according to Order, resolved itself into the Committee of Supply.

(Class II.)

Civil Services and Revenue Departments Estimates, 1926-27.

Motion made, and Question proposed, That a sum not exceeding £709,028 be granted to His Majesty, to complete the sum necessary to defray the charge which will come in course of payment during the year ending on the 31st day of March 1927 for the Salaries and Expenses of the Ministry of Agriculture and Fisheries, Expenses under the Agricultural Wages (Regulation) Act, 1924, Loans to Agricultural Co-operative Societies, Grants for Agricultural Education and Research, Grants for Eradication of Tuberculosis in Cattle, Grants for Land Drainage, a Grant in Aid of the Small Holdings Account, and certain other Grants in Aid; and of the Royal Botanic Gardens, Kew: Whereupon Motion made, and Question put, That a sum not exceeding £709,028 be granted for the said Service.—(Sir Robert Thomas.)

The Committee divided.

Tellers for the Ayes:—Sir Godfrey Collison, 77. Sir Robert Hutchinson, Captain Viscount.: 182.

Tellers for the Noes:—Major Cope, Carson: Original Question again proposed:—Motion, by leave, withdrawn.

Motion made, and Question proposed, That a sum not exceeding £4,162,111 be granted to His Majesty, to complete the sum necessary to defray the charge which will come in course of payment during the year ending on the 31st day of March 1927 for the Salaries and Expenses of the Board of Agriculture for Scotland, including Grants for Agricultural...
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Education and Training, Loans to Co-operative Societies, and certain Grants in Aid:

Whereupon Motion made, and Question proposed, That a sum not exceeding £433,011 be granted for the said Service.—(Sir Robert Hamilton)—Motion, by leave, withdrawn.

Original Question again proposed;

And it being Eleven of the clock, the Chairman left the Chair to make his Report to the House.

Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair; and the Chairman of Ways and Means acquainted the House, That the Committee had made Progress in the matter to them referred; and that he was directed to move, That the Committee may have leave to sit again.

Resolved, That this House will, 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.

Criminal Appeal (Scotland) Bill (Lords).

The Order of the day being read, for taking into consideration the Criminal Appeal (Scotland) Bill (Lords), as amended in the Standing Committee;

Ordered, That the Bill be taken into consideration to-morrow.

Markets and Fairs (Weighing of Cattle) Bill (Lords).

The Order of the day being read, for taking into consideration the Markets and Fairs (Weighing of Cattle) Bill (Lords), not amended in the Standing Committee;

Ordered, That the Bill be taken into consideration to-morrow.

Land Drainage Bill (Lords).

The Order of the day being read, for taking into consideration the Land Drainage Bill (Lords), as amended in the Standing Committee;

Ordered, That the Bill be taken into consideration to-morrow.

Roman Catholic Relief Bill.

The Order of the day being read, for taking into consideration the Roman Catholic Relief Bill, as amended in the Standing Committee;

Ordered, That the Bill be taken into consideration upon Monday next.

Vinegar Bill.

The Order of the day being read, for taking into consideration the Vinegar Bill, as amended in the Standing Committee;

Ordered, That the Bill be taken into consideration upon Monday next.

Venereal Disease Act (1917) Amendment Bill.

The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Venereal Disease Act (1917) Amendment Bill;

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time upon Thursday next.

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The Order of the day being read, for resuming Town Tenants Bill, the adjourned Debate on the Question proposed upon the 19th day of February last, That the Town Tenants Bill be now read a second time;

Ordered, That the Debate be further adjourned till Tuesday next.

And then the House, having continued to sit till twenty-eight minutes after eleven of the clock, adjourned till to-morrow.

STANDING COMMITTEES.

Distribution by Mr. Speaker, pursuant to Standing Order No. 47, of Bills committed to a Standing Committee.

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[No. 90.]

Friday, 25th June 1926.

The House met at Eleven of the clock.

The Clerk at the Table informed the House Mr. Speaker's of the unavoidable absence of Mr. Speaker Absence, from this day's Sitting:—Whereupon Mr. Hope, the Chairman of Ways and Means, proceeded to the Table, and, after Prayers, took the Chair as Deputy Speaker, pursuant to the Standing Order.

A Motion being made, That the Dover-Dover Harbour Bill be now read the third time;

Captain FitzRoy, 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 Leicestershire and Warwickshire Electric Power Bill (Lords), as amended in the Committee.

Ordered, That the Bill be read the third time.

The House proceeded to take into consideration the Taf Fechan Water Supply Bill (Lords), as amended in the Committee.
Ordered, That the Bill be read the third time.

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 Bill, without any Amendment.

Mr. William Nicholson reported from the Committee of Selection, That the Lords had discharged the following Members from Standing Committee D:—Sir George Beckett, Sir Harry Foster, and Sir John Leigh; and had appointed in substitution: Mr. Betterson, Captain Hudson, and Sir Leslie Scott.

Mr. William Nicholson further reported from the Committee, That they had discharged the following Member from Standing Committee D (added during the consideration of the Mining Industry Bill):—the Earl of Dalkeith; and had appointed in substitution: Mr. Kidd.

Ordered, That the Reports do lie upon the Table.

Adjourning. A Motion was made, and the Question being proposed, That this House do now adjourn—(Commander Eyres-Monsell):—And a Debate arising thereon;

Mr. Deputy Speaker, being of opinion that grave disorder had arisen in the House, adjourned the House without Question being proposed, pursuant to Standing Order No. 21, it being then six minutes before Four of the clock, till Monday next.

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Monday, 28th June 1926.

The House met at a quarter of an hour before Three of the clock.

PRAYERS.

Harlepool Corporation (Trolley Vehicles) Bill.

THE House proceeded to take into consideration the Amendments made by the Lords to the Harlepool Corporation (Trolley Vehicles) 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.

Ramsgate Urban District Council Bill.

The House proceeded to take into consideration the Amendments made by the Lords to the Ramsgate Urban District Council Bill: And the same were twice read, and agreed to.

Ordered, That the Clerk do carry the Bill to the Lords; and acquaint them that this House hath agreed to the Amendments made by their Lordships.

Alberville and District Water Board Bill [Lords].

The Order of the day being read, for taking into consideration the Alberville and District Water Board Bill [Lords], as amended in the Committee:

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And a Motion being made, and the Question being proposed, That the Bill be now taken into consideration;

The Question was amended by leaving out from the word "That" to the end of the Question, and adding the words "notwithstanding the fact that the allowance of a term of seventy years for the repayment of certain loans is contrary to Standing Order 173a, this House, having regard to the special circumstances mentioned in the Report of the Committee, orders the Bill to be now considered."—(The Chairman of Ways and Means.)

And the Question, so amended, being put;

Resolved, That notwithstanding the fact that the allowance of a term of seventy years for the repayment of certain loans is contrary to Standing Order 173a, this House, having regard to the special circumstances mentioned in the Report of the Committee, orders the Bill to be now considered.

The House accordingly proceeded to take the Bill into consideration.

Ordered, That the Bill be read the third time.

The House proceeded to take into consideration the Gas Light and Coke Company Bill, as amended in the Committee.

Ordered, That the Bill be read the third time.

The Berwick-upon-Tweed Corporation (General Powers) Bill [Lords], was read a second time, and committed.

The Berwick-upon-Tweed Corporation (General Powers) Bill [Lords] was read a second time, and committed.

The Falmouth Docks Bill [Lords] was read a second time, and committed.

Ordered, That the Manchester Ship Canal (General Powers) Bill [Lords] be read a second time upon Wednesday next.

The House, according to Order, proceeded to take into consideration the Amendments made by the Lords to the London, Midland, and Scottish Railway Bill: And the same were twice read, and agreed to.

Ordered, That the Clerk do carry the Bill to the Lords; and acquaint them that this House hath agreed to the Amendments made by their Lordships.

The Halifax Corporation Bill [Lords] was, Halifax Corporation Bill [Lords], read according to Order, 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 Swindon Corporation Bill was, according Swindon Corporation Bill, ordered 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. 4) Bill, as amended in the Committee.
Ordered, That the Bill be read the third time to-morrow.

[Tramways Provisional Order Bill.]

The House, according to Order, proceeded to take into consideration the Tramways Provisional Order Bill, as amended in the Committee.

Ordered, That the Bill be read the third time to-morrow.

[Standing Committee D.]

Ordered, That the Report do lie upon the Table.

Mr. William Nicholson further reported from Standing Committee A—Lieutenant-General Sir Aylmer Hunter-Weston; and had appointed in substitution: Mr. Crompton Wood.

Ordered, That the Report do lie upon the Table.

Sir Richard Barnett reported from Standing Committee D, to whom the Petroleum 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 Thursday next; and be printed.

The Indian and Colonial Divorce Jurisdiction Bill [Lords] was read the first time, and ordered to be read a second time to-morrow; and to be printed.

Mr. Albert Alexander, supported by Mr. Barnett, Mr. Robert Morrison, Mr. Thorne, and Mr. William Hirst, presented a Bill to amend the Dentists Act, 1921: 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 Coal Mines 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 words “That,” to the end of Question, and adding the words “this House declines to assent to the Second Reading of a Bill which, aiming and abetting the employers’ demand for the extension of the working hours of the coal miner, is calculated to embitter and prolong the existing dispute, and is directly contrary to the recommendations of the Royal Commission”—(Mr. Walsh), instead thereof.

And the Question being proposed, That the words proposed to be left out stand part of the Question. And a Debate arising thereupon;

Ordered, That the Debate be now adjourned.

(Ordered, That the Debate be resumed to-morrow.)

The Order of the day being read, for the Supply Committee of Supply;

Resolved, That this House will, to-morrow, resolve itself into the said Committee.

The Order of the day being read, for the Ways and Means Committee of Ways and Means;

Resolved, That this House will, to-morrow, resolve itself into the said Committee.
The Order of the day being read, for taking into consideration the Finance Bill, as amended in the Committee; 
Ordered, That the Bill be taken into consideration to-morrow.

The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Supreme Court of Judicature of Northern Ireland Bill; 
Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time to-morrow.

The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Land Drainage Bill [Lords], 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 Land Drainage Bill [Lords], as amended in the Standing Committee; 
Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time to-morrow.

The Order of the day being read, for taking into consideration the Criminal Appeal (Scotland) Bill [Lords], 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, with Amendments.

The House, according to Order, proceeded to take into consideration the Judicial Committee 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 Ways and Means of the 22nd day of this instant June; 
Ordered, That the Report be received to-morrow.

A Motion was made, and the Question being proposed, 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 Clitheroe, which was presented on the 2nd June and published, be approved—(Captain Eyres-Monsell):—And a Debate arising thereupon; 
Ordered, That the Debate be now adjourned. 
—(Commander Eyres-Monsell.) 
Ordered, That the Debate be resumed to-morrow.

The Order of the day being read, for taking into consideration the Chartered Associations (Protection of Names and Uniforms) Bill, as amended in the Standing Committee; 
Ordered, That the Bill be taken into consideration upon Thursday next.
Ordered, That the said Paper do lie upon the Table.

Sir Philip Cunliffe-Lister presented, pursuant to the directions of an Act of Parliament,—Copy of Regulations, dated 14th June 1926, made by the Board of Trade under the Gas Regulation Act, 1920, on the application of the Governor-General of India in Council, under Sections 72 and 129 of the Government of India Act, 1919, and amendments thereof.

Ordered, That the said Paper do lie upon the Table.

Mr. Morgan Jones reported from Standing Committee A, to whom the House 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.

The Chairman of Ways and Means reported from the Committee on the Land Drainage Provisional Order Bill (No. 2) Bill, that they had examined the allegations contained in the Petition of the said Order ; 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 Trent Falls Improvement Bill (Lords.) that they had examined the allegations contained in the Petition 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.

Mr. Morgan Jones reported from Standing Committee A, to whom the Home Counties 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 BiU be read the third time and to-morrow.

The Ministry of Health Provisional Orders Bill (No. 4) 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 Tramway 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 Glasgow Education Authority (Juvenile Delinquency) Order Confirmation Bill was, according to Order, read the third time and passed.

Ordered, That the Clerk do carry the Bill to the Lords, and desire their concurrence.

A Public Petition was presented, and read; and ordered to lie upon the Table.

Colonel Ashley 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, from 1st April 1925 to 31st March 1926.

Ordered, That the said Paper do lie upon the Table.

Sir Thomas Robinson reported from the Local Legislation Committee (Section A); That in the case of the Bristol Corporation Bill they had examined the allegations contained in the preamble of the Bill, and amended the same so as to make it consistent with the provisions of the Bill as passed by the Committee, and found the same, as amended, to be true; and had gone through the Bill and made amendments thereunto.

Ordered, That the Report do lie upon the Table; and be printed.

Mr. William Nicolson reported from the Committee of Selection; That they had discharged the following Member from the Standing Committee on Scottish Bills (added into consideration the Rating (Scotland) Bill):—Mr. Haynes Jones.

Ordered, That the Report do lie upon the Table.

Mr. Neville Chamberlain, supported by Sir Kingsley Wood, presented a Bill to provide in the case of default by a board of guardians for the reconstitution of the board; and for matters arising out of the default or consequent on the reconstitution: 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 Amendment which, upon the 28th day of this instant June, was proposed to be made to the Question That the Coal Mines 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 declines to assent to the Second Reading of a Bill which aiding and abetting the employers' demand and prolonging the existing dispute, and is directly contrary to the recommendations of the Royal Commission,—instead thereof.

And the Question being again proposed, That the words proposed to be left out stand part of the Question:—The House resumed the said adjourned Debate. And the Question being put:

The House divided.
The Yeas to the Right;
The Noes to the Left.

Tellers for the [Commander Eyres]—Mansell.

Yea,

Colonel Gibbs: 355.

Tellers for the Mr. Parkinson—Mr. Charles Evelyn: 163.

Noes, So it was resolved in the Affirmative.

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 Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Indian and Colonial Divorce Jurisdiction Bill [Lords];

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time to-morrow.

The Order of the day being read, for the Supply Committee of Supply:—Resolved, That this House will, to-morrow, resolve itself into the said Committee.

The Order of the day being read, for 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 Finance Bill, into consideration the Finance Bill, as amended in the Committee;—Ordered, That the Bill be taken into consideration to-morrow.

The Order of the day being read, for the Supreme Court of Judicature of Northern Ireland Bill;—Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time to-morrow.

The Order of the day being read, for taking into consideration the Land Drainage Bill (Lords), 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 Land Drainage Bill (Lords), 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 Judicial Committee 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 Ways and Means of the 22nd day of this instant June;—Ordered, That the Report be received to-morrow.

The Order of the day being read, for resuming Gas the adjourned Debate on the Question proposed Regulation upon the 28th day of this instant June, 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 Clitheroe, which was presented on the 2nd June and published, be approved.

Resolved, That the Debate be further adjourned till to-morrow.

Resolved, That the Special Order made by the Electricity Commissioners under the Electricity (Supply) Acts, 1882 to 1922, and confirmed by the Minister of Transport under the Electricity (Supply) Act, 1919, in respect of the Royal Burgh of Inverness, which was presented on the 24th day of May 1926, be approved.—

(Colonel Asquith.)
The House proceeded to take into consider- 

ation the Bethlem Hospital Bill [Lords], as amended in the Committee. 

Ordered, That the Bill be read the third time. 

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Wednesday, 30th June, 1926. 

The House met at a quarter of an hour before Three of the clock. 

The Bethlem Hospital Bill [Lords].
Supreme Court (Riot Act).

Merchandise Marks Acts (1887 to 1911) Amendment Bill. Message from the Lords.

Criminal Justice (Amendment) Bill.

The Lords have agreed to the Merchandise Marks Acts, without any Amendment.

The Lords have agreed to the Criminal Justice (Amendment) Bill, without any Amendment.

The Lords have agreed to the Bill of the Ministry of Health relating to Ashton-under-Lyne; to which the Lords desire the concurrence of this House.

The Lords have agreed to the Passmore Edwards (Tilbury) Cottage Hospital Charity Bill, without any Amendment.

The Lords have agreed to the Allhallows and Harwood (Honiton) Charities Bill, without any Amendment.

The Lords have agreed to the Robert East of Leicester’s Hospital, Warwick, Bill, without any Amendment.

The Lords have agreed to the Brighton (London Road) Congregational Chapel Charities Bill, without any Amendment.

The Lords have agreed to the Amendments made by this House to the Halifax Corporation Charity Bill, without any Amendment.

The Lords have agreed to the Amendments made by this House to the Taf Felen Water Supply Bill (Lords), without any Amendment.

The Lords have agreed to the Amendments made by this House to the Warwickshire Electric Power Bill (Lords), without any Amendment.

The Lords have passed a Bill, intituled An Act to confer further powers on the Barnet District Gas and Water Company; to extend their limits for the supply of water; to consolidate and amalgamate their capital, and for other purposes; to which the Lords desire the concurrence of this House.

The Lords have passed a Bill, intituled An Act to confer certain powers upon the London County Council and upon the Corporation of the City of London and Metropolitan Borough Councils, and for other purposes; to which the Lords desire the concurrence of this House.

The Ministry of Health Provisional Order Confirmation (Ashton-under-Lyne 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 Order Confirmation (Barking 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 Barnet District Gas and Water Bill (Lords) was read the first time.

Ordered, That the Bill be referred to the Examiners of Petitions for Private Bills.

The London County Council (General Powers) Bill (Lords) was read the first time.

Ordered, That the Bill be referred to the Examiners of Petitions for Private Bills.

Secretary Sir William Joganon-Hicks, at the Emergency 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:—

The continued cessation of work in coal mines on the 28th day of June 1926 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 28th day of June 1926, to declare that a state of emergency exists.

GEORGE R.I.

A Motion was made, and the Question being put, That His Majesty’s most Gracious Message be taken into consideration to-morrow—(Secretary Sir William Joganon-Hicks);

The House divided.

The Yeas to the Right;

The Noes to the Left.

So it was resolved in the Affirmative.

A Motion was made, and the Question being put, That the Proceedings on Government Business be exempted, at this day’s Sitting, from the provisions of the Standing Orders (Sittings of the House)—(The Prime Minister);

The House divided.

The Yeas to the Right;

The Noes to the Left.

So it was resolved in the Affirmative.
The House, according to Order, resolved itself into a Committee on the Coal Mines Bill.

(In the Committee.)

Clause No. 1 (Temporary amendment of S Edw. 7. c. 57. s. 3).

Amendment proposed, in p. 1, l. 10, at the end, to add the words—

"Provided that if a resolution is passed by both Houses of Parliament for the repeal or suspension of this Act it shall be lawful for His Majesty in Council by order to repeal or suspend the operation of this Act to such extent, and in the case of the suspension for such period definite, or indefinite, as may be specified in the resolution."—(Captain Wedgwood Benn.)

Question put, That those words be there added;

The Committee divided.

Tellers for the (Sir Robert Hutchinson, Yeas, Sir Godfrey Collins : 23.)
Tellers for the (Lord Stanley, Noes, Captain Bouger : 220). Question proposed, That the Clause stand part of the Bill:
Whereupon the Gentleman Usher of the Black Rod being come with a Message, the Chairman left the Chair.

Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair.

Royal Assent. A Message was delivered by Lieutenant-General Sir William Pollock, K.C.B., K.C.M.G., C.B., 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. Unemployment Insurance Act, 1926.
2. Criminal Justice (Amendment) Act, 1926.
4. Ministry of Health Provisional Orders Confirmation Act, 1926.
5. Edinburgh Corporation (General Powers) Order Confirmation Act, 1926.
6. Passmore Edwards (Tilbury) Cottage Hospital Charity Scheme Confirmation Act, 1926.

Then the House again resolved itself into Coal Mines Bill.

(In the Committee.)

Question again proposed, That the Clause stand part of the Bill:—Debate arising:
Sir Arthur Steel-Maitland 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 the Clause stand part of the Bill.

The Committee divided.

Tellers for the (Captain Morgan, Yeas, Major Henryson : 288.)
Tellers for the (Mr. Charles Edwards, Noes, Mr. Hayes : 143.)
Question proposed, That the Clause stand part of the Bill.

The Committee divided.

Tellers for the (Colonel Gibb, Yeas, Major Henryson : 288.)
Tellers for the (Mr. Charles Edwards, Noes, Mr. Hayes : 143.) Question put accordingly, That the Clause stand part of the Bill.

Clause No. 2 (Short title, extent and duration).

Question proposed, That the Clause stand part of the Bill:—Debate arising:
Sir Arthur Steel-Maitland 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 the Clause stand part of the Bill.

The Committee divided.

Tellers for the (Major Cope, Yeas, Lord Stanley : 278.)
Tellers for the (Mr. Charles Edwards, Noes, Mr. Hayes : 132.)
Question put accordingly, That the Clause stand part of the Bill.

The Committee divided.

Tellers for the (Sir Harry Barnston, Yeas, Mr. Frederick Thompson : 271.)
Tellers for the (Mr. Charles Edwards, Noes, Mr. Hayes : 132.)
Question put, That the Chairman do report the Bill, without Amendment, to the House.

The Committee proceeded to a Division;
The Order of the day being read, for the Committee of Supply; the House resumed the said adjourned Debate.

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 Supreme Court of Judicature of Northern Ireland Bill;

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time this day.

The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Divorce Jurisdiction Bill (Lords);

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time this day.

The Order of the day being read, for taking into consideration the 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 Second Reading of the Judgment Committee Bill (Lords);

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time this day.

The Order of the day being read, for taking into consideration the Land Drainage Bill (Lords), as amended in the Standing Committee;

Ordered, That the Bill be taken into consideration this day.

The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Judicial Committee Bill (Lords);

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time this day.

Mr. Deputy Speaker resumed the Chair; and the Chairman of Ways and Means reported, That the Committee had gone through the Bill, and directed him to report the same, without Amendment.

Ordered, That this Bill be read the third time 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 Boards of Guardians (Default) 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 Indian and Colonial Divorce Jurisdiction Bill (Lords);

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time this day.

The Order of the day being read, for taking into consideration the 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 Second Reading of the Supreme Court of Judicature of Northern Ireland Bill;

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time this day.

The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Divorce Jurisdiction Bill (Lords);

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time this day.

The Order of the day being read, for taking into consideration the Markets and Fairs (Weighing of Cattle) Bill (Lords), not amended in the Standing Committee;

Ordered, That the Bill be taken into consideration this day.

And the Question being again proposed:—
The House resumed the said adjourned Debate. And the Question being put:—

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 Chitheroe, which was presented on the 2nd June and published, be approved.

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 twenty-four minutes after Twelve of the clock on Thursday morning, till this day.
Abertillery and District 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 had agreed to the same, with Amendments;

The Gas Light and Coke Company Bill was read the third time and passed.

Ordered, That the Clerk do carry the Bill to the Lords, and desire their concurrence.

Electricity (Supply) Acts, 1919, in respect of the Urban District of Brynamman, with the consent of the Cwmamman Urban District Council in the case of the Brynamman and District Electricity Special Order, 1926.

Electricity (Supply) Acts, 1919, in respect of the Urban District of Abertillery and District Water Board Act, 1925.

PRAYERS.

Mr. Neville Chamberlain presented, pursuant to the directions of several Acts of Parliament, —Copy of the National Health Insurance (Joint Committee) Regulations, 1926, dated 30th June 1926.

Orders of the day being read, for the Third Reading of the Coal Mines Bill; Bill was called upon by Mr. Speaker to withdraw; Speaker ordered him to withdraw immediately from the House during the remainder of this day's sitting, and he withdrew accordingly.

A Motion was made, and the Question being put, That the Public House Improvement Public House Bill be read a second time upon Tuesday next.

Ordered, That the said Papers do lie upon the Table.

Mr. Neville Chamberlain presented, pursuant to the directions of several Acts of Parliament, —Copy of the National Health Insurance (Joint Committee) Regulations, 1926, dated 30th June 1926.

The Order of the day being read, for the Coal Mines Bill, having made use of a disorderly expression, was called upon by Mr. Speaker to withdraw the same, but he declined to comply with that direction:

Whereupon Mr. Speaker, pursuant to Standing Orders No. 20, relating to disorderly conduct, directed him to withdraw immediately from the House, whereupon he withdrew accordingly.

And a Motion being made, and the Question being proposed, That the Bill be now read the third time —And a Debate arising thereupon;

Mr. John Jones, Member for Silvertown, having made use of a disorderly expression, was called upon by Mr. Speaker to withdraw the same, but he declined to comply with that direction:

Whereupon Mr. Speaker, pursuant to Standing Orders No. 20, relating to disorderly conduct, directed him to withdraw immediately from the House, whereupon he withdrew accordingly.

And a Motion being made, and the Question being proposed, That the Bill be now read the third time —And a Debate arising thereupon;

Mr. Chancellor of the Exchequer rose in his place and claimed to move, That the Question be now put.

And the Question being put, That the Question be now put;
The Order of the day being read, for taking into consideration the Divorce Jurisdiction Bill [Lords];
Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time to-morrow.

The Order of the day being read, for taking into consideration the Divorce Jurisdiction Bill [Lords];
Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time to-morrow.

The Order of the day being read, for taking into consideration the Petroleum Bill [Lords],
Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time to-morrow.

The Order of the day being read, for taking into consideration the Petroleum Bill [Lords], as amended in the Standing Committee;
Ordered, That the Bill be read the third time, and passed.

The Order of the day being read, for taking into consideration the Petroleum Bill [Lords], as amended in the Standing Committee;
Ordered, That the Bill be read the third time, and passed.

The Order of the day being read, for taking into consideration the Petroleum Bill [Lords], as amended in the Standing Committee;
Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time to-morrow.

The Order of the day being read, for taking into consideration the Petroleum Bill [Lords], as amended in the Standing Committee;
Ordered, That the Bill be read the third time, and passed.

The Order of the day being read, for taking into consideration the Petroleum Bill [Lords], as amended in the Standing Committee;
Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time to-morrow.

The Order of the day being read, for taking into consideration the Petroleum Bill [Lords], as amended in the Standing Committee;
Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time to-morrow.

The Order of the day being read, for taking into consideration the Judicature of Northern Ireland Bill;
Ordered, That the Bill do resolve itself into the said Committee.

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The Order of the day being read, for taking into consideration the Judicature of Northern Ireland Bill;
Ordered, That the Bill do resolve itself into the said Committee.
Ordered, That the Bill be taken into consideration upon Monday next.

**Vinegar Bill.**

The Order of the day being read, for taking into consideration the Vinegar Bill, as amended in the Standing Committee;

**Ordered, That the Bill be taken into consideration upon Monday next.**

**Vineereal Disease Act (1917) Amendment Bill.**

The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Vineereal Disease Act (1917) Amendment Bill;

**Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time upon Thursday next.**

**Blind Persons Bill.**

The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Blind Persons Bill;

**Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time upon Monday next.**

**Offices Regulation Bill.**

The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Offices Regulation Bill;

**Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time upon Monday next.**

**Engineers Bill.**

The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Engineers Bill;

**Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time to-morrow.**

**Dentists Bill.**

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 Monday next.**

And then the House, having continued to sit till twenty-three minutes after Eleven of the clock, adjourned till to-morrow.

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**[No. 95.]**

**Friday, 2nd July 1926.**

The House met as Eleven of the clock.

**PRAYERS.**

The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Manchester Ship Canal (General Powers) Bill (Lords);

**Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time upon Friday next.**

Captain Elliot presented, by His Majesty's Command,—Copy of Seventh Annual Report of the Scottish Board of Health, 1925.

**Ordered, That the said Paper do lie upon the Table.**

Mr. Guiness presented, pursuant to the directions of an Act of Parliament,—Copy of Order, dated 25th June 1926, under the Diseases of Animals Acts (Landing of seven antelopes at Tilbury Docks from S.S. "Clan MacTavish.")

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**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 Regulations for the Territorial Army governing the formation, organisation and administration of Territorial Cadet Units in the British Isles.

**Ordered, That the said Papers do lie upon the Table.**

The following Paper, pursuant to the directions of an Act of Parliament, was laid upon the Table by the Clerk of the House:

Accounts of Receipts and Payments by the Local Loans Commissioners for the Reduction of the Fund, National Debt in respect of the Capital and No. 102. Income of the Local Loans Fund for the year ended 31st March 1925, with the Report of the Comptroller and Auditor General thereon.

**Ordered, That the said Paper be printed.**

Mr. William Nicholson reported from the Selection Committee of Selection; That they had added the following Fifteen Members to Standing Committee A (in respect of the Moneylenders (Regulation of Reports) Bill)—Mr. Dennison, Major Glyn, Captain Hacking, Mr. Harney, Sir Alfred Hopkins, Sir Ellis Hume Williams, Mr. Kennedy, Captain Ledder, Sir Henry Sleater, Mr. Somerville, Mr. Oliver Stanley, Colonel Watts-Morgan, Colonel Wedgwood, Mr. Wells, and Mr. Womersley.

Mr. William Nicholson further reported from Standing Committee A; That they had added the following Members to Standing Committee A (in respect of the Judicial Proceedings (Regulation of Reports) Bill)—Mr. Ritson and Mr. Taylor.

Mr. William Nicholson further reported from Standing Committee B; That they had discharged the following Member from Standing Committee B (in respect of the Merchandise Marks (Imported Goods) Bill)—Lieutenant-Commander Kenworthy; and had appointed in substitution: Sir Gervase Beckett.

Mr. William Nicholson further reported from Standing Committee B; That they had discharged the following Member from Standing Committee B (added in respect of the Judicial Proceedings (Regulation of Reports) Bill)—Mr. Beckett; and had appointed in substitution: Mr. Harris.

Mr. William Nicholson further reported from Standing Committee D; That they had discharged the following Member from Standing Committee D;—Dr. Little; and had appointed in substitution: Mr. Ernest Croly.

**Ordered, That the Reports do lie upon the Table.**

Mr. Speaker acquainted the House, That a Message from the Lords was brought from the Lords, by one of their Clerks, as followeth:

The Lords have agreed to the Amendment to Criminal Law made by this House to the Criminal Appeal (Scotland) Bill (Lords), without any Amendment (Scotland) Bill (Lords).
The Lords have agreed to the Amendments made by this House to the Execution of Diligence (Scotland) Bill [Lords], without any Amendment.

The Lords have passed a Bill, intituled An Act to confer powers upon the Mayor, Aldermen, and Citizens of the City of Stoke-on-Trent with respect to a railway level crossing; and for other purposes; to which the Lords desire the concurrence of this House.

The Stoke-on-Trent Corporation Bill [Lords] was read the first time, and referred to the Examiners of Petitions for Private Bills.

Mr. Raine reported from the Local Legislation Committee (Section B); That in the case of the Chorley 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.

The House, according to Order, proceeded to take into consideration His Majesty's most Gracious Message of the 30th day of June last, relative to His Majesty's Proclamation under the Emergency Powers Act, 1920.

And the same was again read by Mr. Speaker:

The continued cessation of work in coal mines on the 28th day of June 1926 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 28th day of June 1926, to declare that a state of emergency exists.

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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 that His Majesty has deemed it proper by Proclamation, made in pursuance of the Emergency Powers Act, 1920, and dated the 28th day of June 1926, to declare that a state of emergency exists.—(Secretary Sir William Joynson-Hicks.)

An Amendment was proposed to be made to the Question, by adding at the end thereof the words "but regretting the policy pursued by His Majesty's advisers, which has been an impediment in maintaining and restoring peace in the coal industry and, consequently, a menace to public order."—(Mr. Clynes.)

And the Question being proposed, That those words be there added:—And a Debate arising thereupon:

Mr. Speaker called the attention of the House to the continued irrelevance on the part of Sir Gerald Strickland, Member for Lancaster, and directed the honourable Member to resume his seat.

Mr. Speaker moved, That the Debate be now adjourned; but Mr. Deputy Speaker declined to propose the Question thereupon to the House.

Secretory Sir William Joynson-Hicks 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.

Tellers for the Yeas, Sir Harry Barnston, Mr. Frederich Thompson; Tellers for the Noes, Mr. Hayes: 254.

So it was resolved in the Affirmative.
And the Question being accordingly put, That those words be there added:—And a Debate arising thereupon:

Commander Eyres-Monck claimed, That the Main Question be now put.

And the Main Question being accordingly Main Question put (pursuant to S.O. Closure of Debate.)

The House divided.

Tellers for the Yeas, Sir Harry Barnston, Mr. Frederich Thompson; Tellers for the Noes, Mr. Hayes: 98.

So it was resolved in the Affirmative.

The Yeas to the Right; The Noes to the Left.

Tellers for the Yeas, Mr. Charles Edwards, Mr. Hayes: 65.

Tellers for the Noes, Mr. Charles Edwards, Sir Harry Barnston, Mr. Frederich Thompson: 266.

So it passed in the Negative.

The Order of the day being read, for taking into consideration the Land Drainage Bill (Order of the day being read, for taking Markets and Fairs into consideration the Markets and Fairs Bill [Lords], as amended in the Standing Committee;)

Ordered, That the Bill be taken into consideration upon Monday next.

The Order of the day being read, for taking Land into consideration the Land Drainage Bill (Order of the day being read, for taking Markets into consideration the Markets and Fairs Bill [Lords], not amended in the Standing Committee;)

Ordered, That the said Address be presented to His Majesty by such Members of this House as are of His Majesty's Most Honorable Privy Council or of His Majesty's Household.

The Order of the day being read, for taking Land into consideration the Land Drainage Bill (Order of the day being read, for taking Markets and Fairs into consideration the Markets and Fairs 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 taking Markets and Fairs into consideration the Markets and Fairs Bill [Lords], not amended in the Standing Committee;
Ordered, That the Bill be taken into consideration upon Monday next.

Petroleum Bill [Lords.]

The Order of the day being read, for taking into consideration the Petroleum Bill [Lords], as amended in the Standing Committee;

Ordered, That the Bill be taken into consideration upon Monday next.

Supreme Court of Judicature of Northern Ireland Bill.

The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Supreme Court of Judicature of Northern Ireland Bill;

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time upon Monday next.

Indian and Colonial Divorce Jurisdiction Bill [Lords.]

The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Indian and Colonial Divorce Jurisdiction Bill [Lords];

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time upon Monday next.

Judicial Committee Bill [Lords.]

The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Judicial Committee Bill [Lords];

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time upon Monday next.

Supply.

The Order of the day being read, for the Committee of Supply:

Resolved, That this House will, upon Monday next, resolve itself into the said Committee.

Ways and Means.

The Order of the day being read, for the Committee of Ways and Means;

Resolved, That this House will, upon Monday next, resolve itself into the said Committee.

Engineers Bill.

The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Engineers Bill;

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time upon Friday next.

Whereupon Mr. Speaker adjourned the House without Question put, pursuant to Standing Order No. 3, it being then twenty-eight minutes after Four of the clock, till Monday next.

[No. 96.]

Monday, 5th July 1926.

The House met at a quarter of an hour before Three of the clock.

PRAYERS.

THE Counsellor's Quay Urban District Council 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.

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Mr. Speaker acquainted the House, that a Message had been brought from the Lords by one of their Clerks, as followeth:

The Lords have agreed to the Amendments made by this House to the Abertillery and District Water Board Bill (Lords), without any Amendment.

Mr. William Nicholson reported from the Committee of Selection; that they had added the following Member to Standing Committee of the Judicial Proceedings (Regulation of Reports) Bill:—Mr. Solicitor General.

Ordered, That the Report do lie upon the Table.

The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Boards of Guardians (Default) 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 inserting the words "this House declines to proceed with the Second Reading of a Bill which, by empowering the Minister of Health to supersede the democratically elected guardians of the poor by the Minister’s nominees, destroys a fundamental principle of the constitution that local government shall be vested in the elected representatives of the people, enables nominees of the Minister to dispose public moneys without any control by the ratepayers who provide such moneys, and is a partisan and misguided attempt to meet a situation arising out of the failure of His Majesty’s Government to deal with the problem of unemployment on national lines—(Mr. Wheatley)." 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. Neville Chamberlain rose in his place and claimed to move, that the Question be now put.

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 [Sir Harry Barnston],

Yess, [Major Cope], 341.

Tellers for the [Mr. Charles Edwards],

Nees, [Mr. Hayes], 134.

So it was resolved in the Affirmative.

The Bill was read a second time.

Ordered, That the Bill be committed to a Committee of the whole House for to-morrow.—[Mr. Neville Chamberlain.]

A Motion was made, and the Question being proposed, that the Regulations made by His Majesty in Council under the Emergency Powers Act, 1920, by Order dated the 28th June 1926, shall continue in force, subject, however, to the provisions of Section 2 (4) of the said Act.—(Secretary Sir William Jowson-Hicks)—And a Debate arising thereupon;

And the House having continued to sit till after Twelve of the clock on Tuesday morning;

Tuesday, 6th July 1926:

Secretary Sir William Jowson-Hicks 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 [Major Cope],

Yess, [Captain Morsomson], 180.

Tellers for the [Mr. Charles Edwards],

Nees, [Mr. Hayes], 65.

So it was resolved in the Affirmative.

And the Question being accordingly put;

The House divided.

The Yeas to the Right:

The Noes to the Left.

Tellers for the [Major Cope],

Yess, [Captain Morsomson], 181.

Tellers for the [Mr. Charles Edwards],

Nees, [Mr. Hayes], 64.

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 28th June 1926, shall continue in force, subject, however, to the provisions of Section 2 (4) of the said Act.

Ordered, That the Bill be taken into consideration this day.

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 this day.

The Order of the day being read, for taking Land Drainage Bill (Lords), as amended in the Standing Committee;

Ordered, That the Bill be taken into consideration this day.
The Order of the day being read, for taking into consideration the Markets and Fairs (Weighing of Cattle) Bill [Lords], not amended in the Standing Committee;

Ordered, That the Bill be taken into consideration this day.

The Order of the day being read, for taking into consideration the Petroleum Bill [Lords], as amended in the Standing Committee;

Ordered, That the Bill be taken into consideration this day.

The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Chartered Associations (Protection of Names and Uniforms) Bill, as amended in the Standing Committee;

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time this day.

The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Supreme Court of Judicature of Northern Ireland Bill;

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time this day.

The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Indian and Colonial Divorce Jurisdiction Bill [Lords];

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time this day.

Ordered, That this House will, this day, resolve itself into the said Committee.

Ordered, That the Clerk do carry the Bill to the Lords, and desire their concurrence.

Ordered, That this House will, this day, resolve itself into the said Committee.

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time this day.

Ordered, That the Bill be now read the third time.—The Bill was accordingly read the third time, and passed.

Ordered, That the Clerk do carry the Bill to the Lords, and desire their concurrence.

The Order of the day being read, for taking into consideration the Roman Catholic Relief Bill, as amended in the Standing Committee;

Ordered, That the Bill be taken into consideration upon Thursday next.

Ordered, That the Bill be taken into consideration upon Wednesday next.

Ordered, That the Bill be taken into consideration this day.

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time this day.

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time upon Monday next.

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Ordered, That the Bristol Corporation 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 Southend-on-Sea Corporation Bill [Lords];

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time upon Friday next.


Mr. Guinness presented, pursuant to the directions of an Act of Parliament,—Copy of Order, dated 28th June 1926, under the Diseases of Animals Acts (consignment of Boars and Sows from Canada; definition of quarantine).

Ordered, That the said Paper do lie upon the Table.

Captain Elliot presented, pursuant to the directions of an Act of Parliament,—Copy of Order, dated 22nd June 1926, made by the Scottish Board of Health under the Milk and Dairies (Amendment) Act, 1922, entitled the Milk (Local Authority, Stornoway) Termination Order, 1926.

Ordered, That the said Paper do lie upon the Table.

Mr. Earl Winterton presented, pursuant to the directions of an Act of Parliament,—Return of all Leazes raised in India, chargeable on the Revenues of India, outstanding as at the commencement of the half-year ended 31st March 1926.

Ordered, That the said Paper do lie upon the Table.

The following Paper, pursuant to the directions of the Union of Benefices Measure, 1923, was laid upon the Table by the Clerk of the House:—

Copy of Scheme for the pulling down in whole or in part of the Church of St. John, in the Parish of Huntington, All Saints with St. John the Baptist, in the County of Huntingdon and the Diocese of Ely, and for the sale of materials and site of the same, and of the ground annexed thereto, &c.

Mr. William Nicholson reported from the Committee of Selection; That they had added the following Member to Standing Committee A (in respect of the Judicial Proceedings (Regulation of Reports) Bill)—Captain Hacking.

Ordered, That the Report do lie upon the Table.

Mr. Raine reported from the Local Legislation Committee (Section B); That in the case of the Margate 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; and had amended the Title, as follows—An Act to empower the Mayor Aldermen and Burgesses of the Borough of Margate to construct street improvements sea walls and promenades and a reservoir and to purchase lands for various purposes; to make further provision with regard 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.

The Chairman of Ways and Means reported from the Committee on the Kidderminster and Stourport Tramways Bill [Lords]; That they had examined the allegations contained in the Preamble of the Bill, and amended the same so as to make it consistent with the provisions of the Bill as passed by the Committee, and found the same, as amended, to be true; and had gone through the Bill and made Amendments thereto.

Ordered, That the Report do lie upon the Table; and be printed.

The Chairman of Ways and Means reported from the Committee on the Reading University Bill [Lords]; That they had examined the allegations contained in the Preamble of the Bill, and amended the same so as to make it consistent with the provisions of the Bill as passed by the Committee, and found the same, as amended, to be true; and had gone through the Bill and made Amendments thereto.

Ordered, That the Report do lie upon the Table; and be printed.

The Chairman of Ways and Means reported from the Committee on the Reading University Bill [Lords]; That they had examined the allegations contained in the Preamble of the Bill, and amended the same so as to make it consistent with the provisions of the Bill as passed by the Committee, and found the same, as amended, to be true; and had gone through the Bill and made Amendments thereto.

Ordered, That the Report do lie upon the Table; and be printed.

Ordered, That the Adjourned Debate upon Births and Deaths Regulation Bill be resumed upon Thursday next.

Sir Cyril Cobb reported from the Select Committee on Nursing Homes (Registration); That they had considered the matters to them referred and directed him to make a Report thereon 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 Amendments made by the Select Committee on Midwives and Midwives and Maternity Homes Bill be taken into consideration upon Wednesday day the 14th day of this instant July; and be printed.

Ordered, That the adjourned Debate upon Births and Deaths Registration Bill, as amended in the Standing Committee, be resumed upon Wednesday the 14th day of this instant July.

Ordered, That leave be given to bring in a Bill to provide for minimum rates of wages and maximum hours of labour in industries.
Finance Bill.

The House, according to Order, proceeded to take into consideration the Finance Bill, as amended in the Committee.

A Clause (Amendment as to deduction of Income Tax from rent)—(Mr. M'Neil)—was twice read; and made part of the Bill.

Another Clause (Amendment of s. 24 of Finance Act, 1923)—(Mr. M'Neil)—was twice read; and made part of the Bill.

Another Clause was offered to be added to the Bill (Amendment of 15 & 16 Geo. V, c. 36, s. 15)—(Mr. James Hudson.)

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. Charles Edwards,

Mr. Thomas Hender-

son,

Mr. Frederick Thom-

son,

Lord Stanley :

123.

240.

So it passed in the Negative.

Another Clause was offered to be added to the Bill (Duties on table waters).—(Mr. Basil Peto.)

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. Charles Edwards,

Mr. Thomas Hender-

son,

Mr. Frederick Thom-

son,

Lord Stanley :

123.

240.

So it passed in the Negative.

Another Clause was offered to be added to the Bill (Repeal of duty on raw films, 15 & 10 Geo. V, c. 36, s. 3 (1).)—(Mr. Gerald Hurst.)

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.

Vot. 191.

Tellers for the

Mr. Charles Edwards,

Mr. Barnas :

219.

270.

So it was resolved in the Affirmative.

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. Charles Edwards,

Mr. Barnas :

126.

129.

So it was resolved in the Affirmative.

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

Captain Viscount

Curzon :

222.

221.

Another Amendment was proposed to be made to the Bill, in p. 1, l. 15, by leaving out Clause 3.—(Mr. Les Smith.)

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

Captain Viscount

Curzon :

212.

211.

So it was resolved in the Affirmative.
Another Amendment was proposed to be made to the Bill, in p. 2, l. 22, by leaving out the word " May," and inserting the word " June."—(Mr. Albert Alexander.)—instead thereof.

And the Question being put, That the word " May" stand part of the Bill;
The House divided.
The Yeas to the Right;
The Noes to the Left.

The said proposed Amendment was, by leave of the House, withdrawn.

Another Amendment was proposed to be made to the Bill, in p. 5, l. 12, by leaving out Clause 6.—(Captain Woodforde Benn.)

And the Question being put, That the words proposed to be left out, to the end of l. 19, stand part of the Bill;
The House divided.
The Yeas to the Right;
The Noes to the Left.

Ordered, That the Bill, as amended, be now adjourned.—(Sir Philip Currie-Lister.)

Another Amendment was proposed to be made to the Bill, in p. 6, l. 1, by leaving out Clause 7.—(Mr. Dalton.)

And the Question being put, That words proposed to be left out stand part of the Bill; the said proposed Amendment was, by leave of the House, withdrawn.

Another Amendment was proposed to be made to the Bill, in p. 5, l. 20, by leaving out subsection (2).—(Mr. Albert Alexander.)

And the Question being put, That the words proposed to be left out, to the end of l. 16, stand part of the Bill;
The House divided.
The Yeas to the Right;
The Noes to the Left.

The said proposed Amendment was, by leave of the House, withdrawn.

Another Amendment was proposed to be made to the Bill, in p. 7, l. 14, by leaving out Clause 10.—(Mr. Pethick-Lawrence.)

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.

Ordered, That further consideration of the Bill, as amended, be now adjourned.—(Sir Philip Currie-Lister.)

Ordered, That the Bill, as amended in the Committee, be taken into further consideration upon Monday next.

The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Supreme Court Judicature of Northern Ireland Bill;

Resolved, That this House will, upon Thursday next, resolve itself into the said Committee.

The Order of the day being read, for taking Land Drainage Bill [Lords], 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 Petroleum Bill [Lords], 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 Indian and Colonial Divorce Jurisdiction Bill [Lords];

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time to-morrow.

The Order of the day being read, for the Judicial Committee Bill [Lords];

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time to-morrow.

The Order of the day being read, for the Supply Committee of Supply;

Resolved, That this House will, to-morrow, resolve itself into the said Committee.

The Order of the day being read, for the Ways and Means Committee of Ways and Means;

Resolved, That this House will, to-morrow, resolve itself into the said Committee.

A Motion was made, and the Question being put, That the draft of a Special Order proposed Regulations Act, 1926.

To be made by the Board of Trade under Section 10 of the Gas Regulation Act, 1920, on the application of the Liverpool Gas Company, which was presented on the 8th June and published, be approved, subject to the following modifications—

Clause 4, l. 2, leave out " become and;"

Clause 4, l. 2, after " be," insert " deemed to have been."
Clause 4, sub-clause (1), leave out “by virtue,” and insert “as from the date.”

Clause 5, sub-clause (4), 1. 1. after “be,” insert “deemed to have been.”

Clause 8, sub-clause (4), 1. 4. leave out “be vested,” and insert “have been vested.”

Clause 8, sub-clause (4), 1. 6. after “and,” insert “are.”

Clause 9, sub-clause (1), 1. 7. leave out “transfer,” and insert “this Order.”

Clause 10, sub-clause (1), 1. 9. leave out “the date of transfer,” and insert “that date.”

Clause 13, 1. 1. leave out “transfer,” and insert “this Order.”

Clause 14, 1. 3. leave out “transfer shall as from that date,” and insert “this Order shall as from the date of transfer.”

Clause 16, 1. 2. after “include,” insert “and be deemed to have extended to and included.”

Clause 30, sub-clause (2), 1. 3. leave out “transfer,” and insert “this Order.”—(Sir Burton Chadwick.)

The House divided.

The Yeas to the Right;

The Noes to the Left.

Tellers for the

Sir Harry Barnston,

Captain Bowyer:

169.

Tellers for the

Mr. Neil Maclean,

Mr. Buchanan:

15.

So it was resolved in the Affirmative.

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 Seafor Gas Company, Limited, which was presented on the 8th June and published, be approved.—(Sir Burton Chadwick.)

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 Urban District Council of Ellesmere, which was presented on the 14th June and published, be approved.—(Sir Burton Chadwick.)

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 Portsea Island Gas Light Company, which was presented on the 2nd June and published, be approved, subject to the following modifications:

Clause 3, sub-clause (1), leave out the definition of “The date of transfer,” and insert “The date of transfer means the first day of July, nineteen hundred and twenty-six.”

Clause 4, sub-clause (1), 1. 2. after “be,” insert “deemed to have been.”

Clause 4, sub-clause (2), 1. 2. after “shall,” insert “be deemed to.”

Clause 8, sub-clause (2), 1. 3. after “be,” insert “deemed to have been.”

Clause 17, sub-clause (1), 1. 8. leave out “transfer,” and insert “this Order.”

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Clause 18, sub-clause (1), 1. 2. leave out “transfer,” and insert “this Order.”

Clause 19, 1. 1. leave out “transfer,” and insert “this Order.”

Clause 20, 1. 3. leave out “transfer,” and insert “this Order.”

Clause 21, 1. 4. leave out “that date be,” and insert “the date of transfer be deemed to be.”

Clause 23, 1. 1. leave out “have,” and insert “had.”

Clause 24, sub-clause (1), 1. 2. leave out “retire,” and insert “be deemed to have retired.”

Clause 24, sub-clause (2), 1. 2. leave out “retire,” and insert “be deemed to have retired.”

Clause 24, sub-clause (3), 1. 4. leave out “retire,” and insert “be deemed to have retired.”

Clause 24, sub-clause (4), 1. 1. leave out “transfer,” and insert “this Order.”

Clause 24, sub-clause (4), 1. 4. leave out the proviso.

Clause 26, sub-clause (1), at beginning of 1. 3. insert “and be deemed to have extended to and included.”—(Sir Burton Chadwick.)

The Order of the day being read, for taking the Vinegar Bill, into consideration the Vinegar Bill, as amended in the Standing Committee;

Ordered, That the Bill be taken into consideration upon Friday the 16th day of this instant July.

The Order of the day being read, for resuming Town Tenants Bill, the adjourned Debate on the Question proposed Tenants Bill, upon the 19th day of February last, That the Town Tenants Bill be now read a second time;

Ordered, That the Debate be further adjourned till Tuesday next.

The Order of the day being read, for the Public House Improvement Bill;

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time upon Monday next.

The Order of the day being read, for the Leasehold Enfranchisement (No. 2) Bill;

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time upon Saturday next.

The Order of the day being read, for the Dentists Bill;

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time tomorrow.

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 Twelve of the clock, till to-morrow.
The North Berwick Burgh Extension Order Confirmation Bill [Lords] was read the first time, and ordered (under Section 9 of the Private Legislation Procedure (Scotland) Act, 1896) to be read a second time to-morrow; and to be printed.

The House, according to Order, resolved Supply, itself into the Committee of Supply. (In the Committee.)

Civil Service Supplementary Estimates, 1926-27.

Unclassified Services.

1. Motion made, and Question proposed, That a Supplementary sum not exceeding £3,000,000 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 1927, for the purchase and importation of Coal in connection with the Stoppage in the Coal Industry.

Whereupon Motion made, and Question proposed, That a sum not exceeding £3,000,000 be granted for the said Service—(Mr. George Hali)—Debate arising;

Col. Lame-Fox 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 a sum not exceeding £3,000,000 be granted for the said Service.

The Committee divided.

Tellers for the Yes,
Mr. Charles Edwards, 118.
Mr. Thomas Hender-son: 245.

Tellers for the Noes,
Captain Bowyer: 245.
Mr. Charles Edwards, 118.


2. Motion made, and Question proposed, That a Supplementary sum not exceeding £433,000 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 1927 for the Necessities of Life and in connection with the maintenance of Order during an Emergency and for Grants in respect of Emergency Police Expenditure:

Whereupon Motion made, and Question proposed, That a sum not exceeding £433,000 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 1927 for the Necessities of Life and in connection with the maintenance of Order during an Emergency and for Grants in respect of Emergency Police Expenditure:

Whereupon Motion made, and Question proposed, That a Supplementary sum not exceeding £433,000 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 1927 for the Necessities of Life and in connection with the maintenance of Order during an Emergency and for Grants in respect of Emergency Police Expenditure:

Whereupon Motion made, and Question proposed, That a sum not exceeding £433,000 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 1927 for the Necessities of Life and in connection with the maintenance of Order during an Emergency and for Grants in respect of Emergency Police Expenditure: 1, Motion made, and Question proposed, That a Supplementary sum not exceeding £8,000,000 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 1927 to provide for the purchase and importation of Coal in connection with the Stoppage in the Coal Industry:

Whereupon Motion made, and Question proposed, That a sum not exceeding £8,000,000 be granted for the said Service—(Mr. George Hali)—Debate arising;

Col. Lame-Fox 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 a sum not exceeding £8,000,000 be granted for the said Service.

The Committee divided.

Tellers for the Yes,
Mr. Charles Edwards, 118.
Mr. Thomas Hender-son:

Tellers for the Noes,
Captain Bowyer: 245.
Mr. Charles Edwards, 118.


2. Motion made, and Question proposed, That a Supplementary sum not exceeding £3,000,000 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 1927, for the purchase and importation of Coal in connection with the Stoppage in the Coal Industry.

Whereupon Motion made, and Question proposed, That a sum not exceeding £3,000,000 be granted for the said Service—(Mr. George Hali)—Debate arising;

Col. Lame-Fox 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 a sum not exceeding £3,000,000 be granted for the said Service.

The Committee divided.

Tellers for the Yes,
Mr. Charles Edwards, 118.
Mr. Thomas Hender-son:

Tellers for the Noes,
Captain Bowyer: 245.
Mr. Charles Edwards, 118.


2. Motion made, and Question proposed, That a Supplementary sum not exceeding £433,000 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 1927 for the Necessities of Life and in connection with the maintenance of Order during an Emergency and for Grants in respect of Emergency Police Expenditure:

Whereupon Motion made, and Question proposed, That a sum not exceeding £433,000 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 1927 for the Necessities of Life and in connection with the maintenance of Order during an Emergency and for Grants in respect of Emergency Police Expenditure:

Whereupon Motion made, and Question proposed, That a sum not exceeding £433,000 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 1927 for the Necessities of Life and in connection with the maintenance of Order during an Emergency and for Grants in respect of Emergency Police Expenditure: 1, Motion made, and Question proposed, That a Supplementary sum not exceeding £8,000,000 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 1927 to provide for the purchase and importation of Coal in connection with the Stoppage in the Coal Industry:

Whereupon Motion made, and Question proposed, That a sum not exceeding £8,000,000 be granted for the said Service—(Mr. George Hali)—Debate arising;

Col. Lame-Fox 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 a sum not exceeding £8,000,000 be granted for the said Service.
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The House met at a quarter of an hour before Three of the clock.

PRAYERS.

The Order of the day being read, for the Indian and Colonial Divorce Jurisdiction Bill [Lords];

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time to-morrow.

The Order of the day being read, for the Judicial Second Reading of the Judicial Committee Bill [Lords];

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time to-morrow.

The Order of the day being read, for taking consideration the Chartered Associations (Protection of Names and Uniforms) 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 Dental 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 twenty-seven minutes before Twelve of the clock, till to-morrow.

[No. 99.]

Thursday, 8th July 1926.

The House met at a quarter of an hour before Three of the clock.
Mr. Secretary Amery presented by His Majesty's Command—Copy of Report for 1926 on the importation of Spirituous Beverages into certain territories under British control in Africa and the import duties levied thereon; Ordered, That the said Paper do lie upon the Table.

Secretary Sir William Joynson-Hicks presented, pursuant to the directions of an Act of Parliament.—Copies of Reports on the Sea and Inland Fisheries of Northern Ireland for 1924 and 1925.

Ordered, That the said Paper do lie upon the Table.

Mr. Neville Chamberlain presented, pursuant to the directions of an Act of Parliament,—Copy of Order under the Rating and Valuation Act, 1925, dated 29th June 1926, entitled the Rating and Valuation (Holsworthy Rural District) Order, 1926.

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 Coal Mines Bill, without any Amendment.

The Lords have agreed to the Ministry of Health Provisional Order (Ilfracombe) Bill, without any Amendment.

The Lords have agreed to the Port of London Bill, with an Amendment; to which the Lords desire the concurrence of this House.

The Lords have agreed to the Mid-Norwich—Norwich Joint Railways Bill, with Amendments; to which the Lords desire the concurrence of this House.

The Lords have agreed to the Rhymney Valley Water Bill, with Amendments; to which the Lords desire the concurrence of this House.

The Lords have agreed to the Bermondsey Borough Council (Street Trading) Bill, with Amendments; to which the Lords desire the concurrence of this House.

The Lords have passed a Bill, intitled, An Act to confer further powers upon the Lord Mayor, Aldermen, and Citizens of the City and County of Newcastle-upon-Tyne; to enact provisions for the health, local government, and improvement of the said city, and for other purposes; to which the Lords desire the concurrence of this House.

The Newcastle-upon-Tyne Corporation 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 other Government Business have precedence this day of the Business of Supply—(The Prime Minister); The House divided.

The Yeas to the Right;
The Noes to the Left.

Tellers for the (Colonel Gibbs, Yes, Sir Harry Barnston: 258.
Tellers for the (Mr. Hayes, Noes, Mr. Barnes: 130.

So it was resolved in the Affirmative.

A Motion was made, and the Question being put, That the Proceedings on the Boards of Guardians (Default) Bill and on the Report of Supply [7th July] be resumed, at this day's Sitting, from the provisions of the Standing Order (Sittings of the House)—(The Prime Minister); The House divided.

The Yeas to the Right;
The Noes to the Left.

Tellers for the (Colonel Gibbs, Yes, Sir Harry Barnston: 255.
Tellers for the (Mr. Hayes, Noes, Mr. Barnes: 130.

So it was resolved in the Affirmative.

The House, according to Order, resolved itself into a Committee on the Boards of Guardians (Default) Bill.

(In the Committee.)
Clause No. 1 (Procedure on default by board of guardians).

Amendment proposed, in p. 1, l. 6, after the word "Where," to insert the words "after inquiry by a Select Committee of the Commons House of Parliament."—(Mr. Scarr.)

Question proposed, That these words be there inserted:

Whereupon Motion made, and Question put, That the Chairman do report Progress; and ask leave to sit again.—(Mr. William Thorne.)

The Committee divided.

Tellers for the (Mr. Benjamin Smith, Yes, Mr. Hayes: 121.
Tellers for the (Captain Mardyson, Noes, Captain Bowyer: 245.

Original Question again proposed.—Debate arising:

Mr. Neville 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, That the Question be now put.

The Committee divided.

Tellers for the (Major Cope, Yes, Mr. Frederick Thomson: 229.
Tellers for the (Mr. Barnes, Noes, Mr. Charles Edwards: 132.

Question put accordingly, That those words be there inserted.

The Committee divided.

Tellers for the (Mr. Barnes, Yes, Mr. Charles Edwards: 131.
Tellers for the (Major Cope, Noes, Mr. Frederick Thomson: 230.

Another Amendment proposed, in p. 1, l. 6, after the word "Where," to insert the words
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"at any time before the first day of January, nineteen hundred and twenty-eight."—(Sir Haddon Rose.)

Question put, That those words be there inserted.

The Committee divided.

Tellers for the Yeas, Mr. Hayes: 114.
Mr. Thomas Henderson: 237.

Tellers for the Noes, Captain Viscount Curzon: 177.

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-General Sir William Petty treason, K.O.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, 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. Criminal Appeal (Scotland) Act, 1926.
2. Execution of Diligence (Scotland) Act, 1926.
3. Coal Mines Act, 1926.
4. Glasgow Education Authority (Juvenile Delinquency) Order Confirmation Act, 1926.
5. Ministry of Health Provisional Order Confirmation (Ilfracombe) Act, 1926.
6. Abertillery and District Water Board Act, 1926.

Then the House again resolved itself into the Committee on the Boards of Guardians (Default) Bill.

(In the Committee.)

Mr. Kirkwood 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.

Mr. James Hudson 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.

Voted: 181.

Another Amendment proposed, in p. 1, l. 8, after the word "union," to insert the words—"(a) have persistently failed to grant adequate relief to destitute persons; or "—(Mr. Griffith.)

Question put, That those words be there inserted.

The Committee divided.

Tellers for the Yeas, Mr. Charles Edwards: 114.
Mr. Frederick Thomson: 208.

Tellers for the Noes, Lord Stanley:

Another Amendment proposed, in p. 1, l. 8, to leave out from the word "ceased" to the word "to," in l. 10.—(Miss Lawrence.)

Question put, That the words proposed to be left out stand part of the Clause.

The Committee divided.

Tellers for the Lord Stanley: 222.

Mr. Charles Edwards: 118.

Another Amendment proposed, in p. 1, l. 12, to leave out from the word "Act" to the word "to," in l. 14, in order to insert the words "make provision for the election of other persons."—(Mr. Greenwood.)

Question proposed, That the words "appoint such" stand part of the Clause.—Debate arising:

Mr. Neville 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 Captain Margesson: 230.

Mr. Morris: 106.

Question put accordingly, That the words proposed to be inserted stand part of the Clause.

The Committee divided.

Tellers for the Captain Margesson: 230.

Mr. Morris: 106.

Another Amendment proposed, in p. 1, l. 12, after the word "such," to insert the word "qualified."—(Mr. James Hudson.)

Question put, That the word "qualified" be there inserted.

The Committee divided.

Tellers for the Yeas, Mr. Thomas Henderson: 108.

Mr. Hayes: 230.

Another Amendment proposed, in p. 1, l. 17, to leave out the word "twelve," in order to insert the word "three."—(Mr. Charles Edwards.)

Question put, That the word "twelve" be there inserted.

The Committee divided.

Tellers for the Captain Viscount Curzon: 225.

Mr. Thomas Henderson: 102.

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Another Amendment proposed, in p. 2, l. 6, as the end, to insert the words—

"(2) Appointed guardians shall during their term of office present to the Minister at intervals of not longer than six months a report of their work and the manner in which they have discharged their functions, and the Minister shall as soon as may be present each report to Parliament."—(Mr. Robert Richardson.)

Question put, That these words be there inserted.

The Committee divided.

Tellers for the [Mr. Charles Edwards, (Captain Viscount) 100.]

Yeas, [Mr. Hayes: (Captain Boyer: 211.]

Noes, [Mr. Hayes: (Captain Boyer: 87.]

Another Amendment proposed, in p. 2, to leave out l. 7 to 9.—(Dr. Salter.)

Question put, That the words proposed to be left out stand part of the Clause.

The Committee divided.

Tellers for the [Major Cape, 191.]

Yeas, [Mr. Charles Edwards: 211.]

Noes, [Cope, 87.]

Motion made, and Question, That the Chairman do report Progress; and ask leave to sit again (Mr. Neville Chamberlain)—put, and agreed to.

Mr. Deputy Speaker resumed the Chair; and the Chairman of Ways and Means reported, That the Committee had made Progress in the Bill; and that he was directed to move, That the Committee may have leave to sit again (Mr. Neville Chamberlain)—put, and agreed to.

Ordered, 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 7th day of this instant July:

Ordered, That the Report be received to-morrow.

The Order of the day being read, for the Committee of Supply:

Resolved, That this House will, to-morrow, resolve itself into the said Committee.

The Order of the day being read, for the 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 Land Drainage Bill [Lords] 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 Markets and Fairs (Weighing of Cattle) Bill [Lords], not amended in the Standing Committee:

Ordered, That the Bill be taken into consideration to-morrow.
The House met at Eleven of the clock.

PRAYERS.

THE Falmouth Docks 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 has agreed to the same, without Amendment.

The House proceeded to take into consideration the Trent Falls Improvement Bill [Lords], as amended in the Committee.

Ordered, That the Bill be read the third time.

The Order of the day being read, for taking into consideration the Bristol Corporation Bill, as amended in the Committee; a Motion being made, and the Question being proposed, That the Bill be now taken into consideration;

The Question was amended, by leaving out the words “That” to the end of the Question, and adding the words “notwithstanding the fact that the allowances of a term of eighty years for the repayment of certain loans is contrary to Standing Order 1739; this House, having regard to the special circumstances mentioned in the Report of the Committee, orders the Bill to be now considered.” —(The Chairman of Ways and Means).—Instead thereof.

And the Question, so amended, being put:

Resolved, That notwithstanding the fact that the allowances of a term of eighty years for the repayment of certain loans is contrary to Standing Order 1739; this House, having regard to the special circumstances mentioned in the Report of the Committee, orders the Bill to be now considered.

The House accordingly proceeded to take the Bill into consideration.

Ordered, That Standing Orders 223 and 243 be suspended, and that the Bill be now read the third time.—(The Chairman of Ways and Means).

Mr. Hope, 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.

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Question put, That the Clause stand part of the Bill.

The Committee divided.

Tellers for the [Mr. Barnes, Noes, [Mr. Hayes : ] 83.

Question put, That the Chairman do report the Bill, without Amendment, to the House. The Committee divided.

Tellers for the [Mr. Barnes, Noes, [Mr. Hayes : ] 80.

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 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. Greenwood.)

And the Question being proposed, That the word "now" stand part of the Question—

And a Debate arising thereupon;

Commander Eyres-Monsell 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.

Yeas, [Captain Marpessom : ] 278.

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 [Sir Harry Barnston, Yeas, [Captain Marpessom : ] 278.

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 Clause:

The Committee divided.

Tellers for the [Sir Harry Barnston, Yeas, [Mr. Frederick Thomson : ] 165.

Question put, That the Clause stand part of the Bill.

The Committee divided.

Tellers for the [Mr. Frederick Thomson, Yeas, [Lord Stanley : ] 164.

Clause No. 2 (Short title and application).
The Order of the day being read, for the Committee of Supply: 

Resolved, That this House will, upon Monday next, resolve itself into the said Committee.

The Order of the day being read, for the Committee of Ways and Means: 

Resolved, That this House will, upon Monday next, resolve itself into the said Committee.

The Order of the day being read, for taking into consideration the Land Drainage Bill [Lords], as amended in the Standing Committee; 

Ordered, That the Bill be taken into consideration upon Monday next.

The Order of the day being read, for taking into consideration the Markets and Fairs (Weighing of Cattle) 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 Second Reading of the Supreme Court of Judicature of Northern Ireland Bill; 

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time upon Monday next.

The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Indian and Colonial Divorce Jurisdiction 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 Judicial Committee 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 Engineers Bill; 

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time upon Monday next.

Whereupon Mr. Speaker adjourned the House without Question put, pursuant to Standing Order No. 9, it being then eighteen minutes after Four of the clock, till Monday next.

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Monday, 12th July 1926.

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 Bermondsey Borough Council (Street Trading) 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 Amendments made by the Bermondsey Lords to the Shoreham Harbour Bill be taken into consideration to-morrow.

The House proceeded to take into consideration the Amendments made by the Lords to the Rhymney Valley 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.

Ordered, That the amendments made by the Shornham Lords to the Shoreham Harbour Bill be taken into consideration to-morrow.

Order the Bethlem Hospital 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 doth desire the concurrence of their Lordships.

Ordered, That the Barnet District Gas and to-morrow.

Ordered, That the Barnet District Gas and Water Bill [Lords] be read a second time to-morrow.

The London County Council (General Powers) Bill [Lords] was read a second time, and committed.

Ordered, That the Stoke-on-Trent Corporation Bill [Lords] be read a second time to-morrow.

The North Berwick Burgh Extension Order North Berwick Burgh Extension 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.

Mr. Guinness presented, pursuant to the Direction of directions of an Act of Parliament.—Copy of Animal Acts.

Order, dated 2nd July 1926, under the Diseases of Animals Acts (Foreign Animals Order of 1910) to read and have effect as if Jamaica were included in the prohibited Countries.

Ordered, That the said Paper do lie upon the Table.

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Colonel Ashley presented, pursuant to the directions of an Act of Parliament,—Copies of Special Orders made by the Electricity Commissioner, and confirmed by the Minister of Transport under the Electricity (Supply) Act, 1919, in respect of—

(1) the Urban District of Baldon, and the Parish or Township of Hawkesworth, in the Rural District of Wharfedale, in the West Riding of the County of York;
(2) Part of the Rural District of Shadwell, in the County of Derby.

Ordered, That the said Paper do lie upon the Table.

Lord Eustace Percy presented, pursuant to the directions of several Acts of Parliament,—Copy of Order in Council under the Explosives Act, 1875, dated 28th June 1926, relative to Picric Acid.

Copy of Order in Council under the Extraterritorial Acts, dated 28th June 1926, entitled the Estonia (Extradition) Order in Council, 1926.

Copy of Order in Council under the Finance Act, 1923, dated 28th June 1926, entitled the Relief from Double Income Tax on Shipping Profits (Netherlands) Declaration, 1926.

Copy of Order in Council under the Foreign Jurisdiction Acts, dated 28th June 1926, entitled the Stam Order in Council, 1926.

Copies of Three Orders in Council under the Merchant Shipping Act, 1894, dated 28th June 1926, entitled—

(1) the Portuguese Tonnage Order, 1926;
(2) the Kenya Protectorate Maritime Order in Council, 1926; and
(3) the Zambian Maritime Order in Council, 1926.

Copy of Order in Council under the Naval and Marine Pay and Pensions Act, 1865, dated 28th June 1926, approving an Admiralty Memorial relating to a special rate of pay for Retired Chief Petty Officers and Petty Officers employed as Instructors in the Royal Naval Volunteer Reserve.

Copies of Two Orders in Council under the Naval and Marine Pay and Pensions Act, 1865, the Ministry of Pensions Act, 1914, and the War Pensions Act, 1920, relating to the re-assessment of certain War Pensions.

Ordered, That the said Paper do lie upon the Table.

Sir Philip Cunliffe-Lister presented, pursuant to the directions of an Act of Parliament,—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 South Suburban Gas Company.

Ordered, That the said Paper do lie upon the Table.

Mr. M. Neill presented by His Majesty's Command,—Copy of Accounts of the Irish Sailors and Soldiers Land Trust for the period 1st January 1924 to 31st March 1924.

Mr. M. Neill also presented, pursuant to the directions of an Act of Parliament,—Copy of List of all Pensions granted during the year ended 31st March 1926, and payable under the provisions of section 9 (1) of the Civil List Act, 1910.

Ordered, That the said Papers do lie upon the Table; and that the Paper relative to Civil List Pensions 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 Fifth Schedule, containing a List Public and Particular of certain classes of documents existing or accruing in the office of the Ministry of Agriculture and Fisheries, which are not of sufficient public value to justify their preservation in the Public Record Office.

A Motion was made, and the Question being put, That the Proceedings on the Report of the House of Supply [7th July] be exempted, at this day's Sitting, from the provisions of the Standing Order (Sittings of the House)—(The Prime Minister);

The House divided.

The Yeas to the Right;

The Noses to the Left.

Tellers for the Yeas—(Colonel Gibbs); 270.
Tellers for the Noses—(Mr. Parkinson); 84.

So it was resolved in the Affirmative.

A Motion was made, and the Question Minister of being proposed, That in view of the statement of the Minister of Health made in this House on the 8th day of July 1926, a Select Committee be appointed to consider how far in the public interest a Minister of the Crown may be associated with a public or private company during his term of office, or with any company which is in contractual relations with the Government of which he is a member, and to report,—(Mr. Arthur Henderson.)

An Amendment was proposed to be made to the Question, in 1. 1, by leaving out from the word "that" to the end of the Question, and adding the words "this House, while willing on any suitable occasion to review by Select Committee or otherwise the rules and practices which have hitherto guided the action of Ministers in respect of their private interests during their tenure of office, which rules have been on all occasions strictly observed by His Majesty's present Ministers, declines to enter upon any such task by way of concession to an organised campaign of calumny and insinuation which has no justification in fact"—(Lord Hugh Cecil)—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;

Commander Byrne-Moncrief 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 proceeded to a Division.

The House divided. The Yeas to the Right; The Noes to the Left.

Tellers for the [Mr. Parkinson, Mr. Charles Edwards]; 195.
Tellers for the [Commander Eyres-Monsell, Colonel Gibbs]; 241.

So it was resolved in the Negative.

And the Question being put, That the proposed words be added to the word "That" in the Main Question:—It was resolved in the Affirmative.

Then the Main Question, so amended, being put:
The House divided. The Yeas to the Right; The Noes to the Left.

Tellers for the [Commander Eyres-Monsell, Colonel Gibbs]; 195.
Tellers for the [Mr. Parkinson, Mr. Charles Edwards]; 241.

So it was resolved in the Affirmative.

Resolved, That this House, while willing on any suitable occasion to review by Select Committee or otherwise the rules and practices which have hitherto guided the action of Ministers in respect of their private interests during their tenure of office, which rules have been on all occasions strictly observed by His Majesty's present Ministers, declines to enter upon any such task by way of concession to an organised campaign of calumny and insinuation which has no justification in fact.

Captain Hacking reported from the Committee of Supply of the 7th day of this instant July, several Resolutions; which were read, as follow:

Civil Services Supplementary Estimates, 1926-27.

Unclassified Services.

1. That a Supplementary sum not exceeding £3,000,000 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 1927 to provide for the purchase and importation of Coal in connection with the Stoppages in the Coal Industry.

2. That a Supplementary sum not exceeding £233,000 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 1927 for certain Expenses incurred in setting up and maintaining Organisations for supplying the Necessities of Life and in connection with the maintenance of order during an Emergency and for Grants in respect of Emergency Police Expenditure.

The First Resolution being read a second time:

An Amendment was proposed to be made thereto, by leaving out "£3,000,000," and inserting "£2,999,900"—(Lieutenant-Commander Kenworthy)—instead thereof.

And the Question being put, That "£3,000,000" stand part of the Resolution;
The House divided.

The Yeas to the Right;
The Noes to the Left.

Tellers for the [Colonel Gibbs, Captain Hacking]; 278.
Tellers for the [Mr. Parkinson, Mr. Charles Edwards]; 100.

So it was resolved in the Affirmative.

And the Resolution was agreed to.

The Second Resolution being read a second time:

Ordered, That further consideration of the Resolution be now adjourned.—(Commander Eyres-Monsell).

Ordered, That the Resolution be taken into further consideration to-morrow.

The Order of the day being read, for taking into consideration the Land Drainage Bill [Lords], 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 Markets and Fairs (Weighing of Cattle) Bill [Lords], not amended (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 Petroleum Bill [Lords], not amended (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 Land Drainage Bill [Lords], as amended in the Standing Committee;

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time to-morrow.

The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Supreme Court of Judicature of Northern Ireland Bill;

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time to-morrow.

The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Indian and Colonial Divorce Jurisdiction Bill [Lords];

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time to-morrow.

The Order of the day being read, for the Judicial Committee Bill [Lords];

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time to-morrow.

The Order of the day being read, for the Finance Bill, as amended in the Committee;

Ordered, That the Bill be taken into further consideration upon Thursday next.
The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Forestry 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 Expiring Laws Continuous 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 taking into consideration the Roman Catholic Relief Bill, as amended in the Standing Committee;
Ordered, That the Bill be taken into consideration upon Friday next.

The Order of the day being read, for taking into consideration the Chartered Associations (Protection of Names and Uniforms) 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 Shops (Hours of Employment) 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 House Improvement 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 Leasehold Enfranchisement (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 Merchandise Marks Acts (1887 to 1911) Amendment Bill;
Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time to-morrow.

The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Blind Persons 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 Offices Regulation Bill;
Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time upon Friday next.

The Order of the day being read, for the Seditious and Blasphemous Teaching to Children Bill;
Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time upon Friday next.

The Order of the day being read, for the Dentists Bill,
Second Reading of the Dentists Bill;
Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time to-morrow.

The Order of the day being read, for the Engineers Second Reading of the Engineers' Bill;
Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time to-morrow.

And then the House, having continued to sit till ten minutes after Eleven of the clock, adjourned till to-morrow.

The House met at a quarter of an hour before Three of the clock.

PRAYERS.

Mr. Speaker laid upon the Table,—Report Private Bills from one of the Examiners of Petitions for Private Bills, That in the case of the following Bill, originating in the Lords, and referred on previously the First Reading thereof, the Standing Orders thereto, have been complied with, viz.:
Newcastle-upon-Tyne Corporation Bill [Lords].
Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time.

Mr. Speaker laid upon the Table,—Report Provisional Orders from one of the Examiners of Petitions for Private Bills, That in the case of the following Bills, brought from the Lords, and referred on previously the First Reading thereof, the Standing Orders which are applicable thereto have been complied with, viz.:
Ministry of Health Provisional Orders Confirmation (No. 6) Bill [Lords].
Ministry of Health Provisional Orders Confirmation (No. 9) Bill [Lords].
Ministry of Health Provisional Orders Confirmation (No. 10) Bill [Lords].
Ministry of Health Provisional Orders Confirmation (Ashton-under-Lyne Extension) Bill [Lords].
Ministry of Health Provisional Orders Confirmation (Ealing Extension) Bill [Lords].
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 Bill, brought from the Lords, and referred on the First Reading thereof, no Standing Orders are applicable, viz.:

Ministry of Health, Provisional Orders Confirmation (No. 7) Bill [Lords].

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time to-morrow.

Mid-Norfolkshire Joint Railways Bill.

The House proceeded to take into consideration the Amendments made by the Lords to the Mid-Norfolkshire Joint Railways 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.

Trent Falls Improvement Bill [Lords.]

A Motion being made, That the Trent Falls Improvement Bill [Lords.] be now read the third time;

Mr. Hope, 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.

Chorley Corporation Bill [Lords.]

The House proceeded to take into consideration the Chorley Corporation Bill [Lords.], as amended in the Committee.

Ordered, That the Bill be read the third time.

Kidderminster and Stourport Tramways Bill [Lords.]

The House proceeded to take into consideration the Kidderminster and Stourport Tramways Bill [Lords.], as amended in the Committee.

Ordered, That the Bill be read the third time.

Reading University Bill [Lords.]

The House proceeded to take into consideration the Reading University Bill [Lords.], as amended in the Committee.

Ordered, That the Bill be read the third time.

Shoreham Harbour Bill.

The House, according to Order, proceeded to take into consideration the Amendments made by the Lords to the Shoreham Harbour Bill; and the same were twice read, and agreed to.

Ordered, That the Clerk do carry the Bill to the Lords; and acquaint them that this House hath agreed to the Amendments made by their Lordships.

Hartlepool District Gas and Water Bill [Lords.]

The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Hartlepool District Gas and Water Bill [Lords];

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time to-morrow.

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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 Lord Drainage Provisional Order (No. 1) Bill, without any Amendment.

The Lords have agreed to the Marriages Provisional Order (No. 2) Bill, without any Amendment.

The Lords have agreed to the Teignmouth and Shaldon Bridge Bill.

The Lords have agreed to the Paignton Urban District Council Bill, without Amendments; so which the Lords desire the concurrence of this House.

The Lords have agreed to the Paignton Urban District Council Bill, with Amendments; so which the Lords desire the concurrence of this House.

The Ministry of Health Provisional Orders Confirmation (No. 11) Bill [Lords] was read for 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 the Committee of Supply.

Civil Services and Revenue Departments Estimates, 1926-27.

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Motion made, and Question proposed, That a sum not exceeding £10,917,948 be granted to His Majesty, to complete the sum necessary to defray the charge which will come in course of payment during the year ending on the 31st day of March 1927 for the Salaries and Expenses of the Ministry of Health, including Grants and other Expenses in connection with Housing, Grants to Local Authorities, &c., in connection with Public Health Services, Grants in Aid in respect of Benefits and Expenses of Administration under the National Health Insurance Acts, certain Expenses in connection with the Widows', Orphans', and Old Age Contributory Pensions Act, 1925, and certain Special Services:

Whereupon Motion made, and Question put, That a sum not exceeding £10,616,948 be granted for the said Service.—(Mr. Greenwood.)
The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Forestry 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 Expiring Laws Continuance 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 Expanding Powers Continuance Bill,

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time upon Friday next.

The Order of the day being read, for taking into consideration the Chartered Associations (Protection of Names and Uniforms) Bill, as amended in the Standing Committee;

Ordered, That the Bill be taken into consideration upon Thursday next.

The Order of the day being read, for resuming the adjourned Debate on the Question proposed upon the 19th day of February last, That the Town Tenants Bill be now read a second time;

Ordered, That the Debate be further adjourned till Tuesday next.

The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Merchandise Marks Acts (1887 to 1911) Amendment Bill;

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time to-morrow.

The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Dentists 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 Engineers Bill;

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time to-morrow.

And then the House, having continued to sit till twelve minutes after Eleven of the clock, adjourned till to-morrow.

[No. 103.]

Wednesday, 14th July 1926.

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 Port of London Bill: And the same was twice read, and agreed to.

Ordered, That the Clerk do carry the Bill to the Lords; and acquaint them that this House hath agreed to the Amendment made by their Lordships.

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Mr. Guinness, supported by Mr. Solicitor General, presented a Bill to amend the Small Holdings and Allotments Acts, 1908 to 1919, and the same was ordered to be read a second time upon Monday the 2nd day of August next; and to be printed.

A Motion was made, and the Question being put, That the Proceedings on the Land Drainage Bill [Lords] and on the Markets and Fairs (Weighing of Cattle) Bill [Lords] be exempted, at this day's Sitting, from the provisions of the Standing Order (Sittings of the House)—(The Prince Minister);

The House divided.

The Yeas to the Right;
The Noses to the Left.

Tellers for the 'Sir Harry Barnston, Yeas,
Major Honaney: 212.
Tellers for the 'Mr. Thomas Kennedy, Noses,
Mr. Charles Edwards: 100.

So it was resolved in the Affirmative.

Ordered, That leave be given to bring in a Industrial Bill to abolish imprisonment for arrears of School Fees, Industrial School Fees: And that Mr. Sexton, Mr. Snowden, Mr. Gibbns, Miss Wilkinson, Mr. Byles Davies, Mr. Hope, Captain Woolfson Benn, Mr. Purcell, and Mr. Lea Smith do prepare and bring it in.

Mr. Sexton accordingly presented a Bill to Industrial abolish imprisonment for arrears of Industrial School Fees: And the same was read the first time, and ordered to be read a second time upon Monday the 2nd day of August next; and to be printed.

The House, according to Order, resolved Supply itself into the Committee of Supply. [5th allotted Day.]

Civil Services and Revenue Departments Estimates, 1926-27.

Revenue Departments.

£33,000,000 for the Salaries and Expenses of the Post Office, including Telegraphs and Telephones.

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Motion made, and Question proposed, That a sum not exceeding £71,774 be granted to His Majesty, to complete the sum necessary to defray the charge which will come in course of payment during the year ending on the 31st day of March 1927 for the Salaries and Expenses of the Ministry of Transport under the Ministry of Transport Act, 1919, Expenses of the Railway Rates Tribunal under the Railways Acts, 1921, Expenses under the London Traffic Act, 1934, Expenses in respect of Advances under the Light Railways Act, 1896, Expenses of maintaining Holyhead Harbour, Advances to meet Deficit in Ramsgate Harbour Fund, Advances to Colneford and Orinian Canals, and for Expenditure in connection with the Technical Survey for a general scheme of Generation and Transmission of Electricity in Great Britain, and with the Severn Barage Investigation.
Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair; and the Chairman of Ways and Means also acquainted the House that the Committee had made Progress in the matter to them referred; and that he was directed to move, That the Committee may have leave to sit again.

Resolved, That this House will, to-morrow, again resolve itself into the said Committee.

The Order of the day being read, for 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 Land Drainage Bill [Lords], as amended in the Standing Committee.

An Amendment was proposed to be made to the Bill, in p. 2, l. 30, by leaving out from the word "land" to the word "is," in l. 21.—(Mr. Riley.)

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 [Sir Harry Barnston, Yeas, Mr. Frederick Thomas, Mr. Charles Edwards:]

Tellers for the [Mr. Parkinson, Noses, Mr. James Hudson:]

So it was resolved in the Affirmative.

Ordered, That the Bill be now read the third time. —The Bill was accordingly read the third time and passed, 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 Markets and Fairs Act (Weighing of Cattle) Bill [Lords], not amended in Standing Committee.

The Order of the day being read, for taking into consideration the Markets and Fairs Act (Weighing of Cattle) Bill [Lords], not amended in Standing Committee, in the Standing Committee.

Ordered, That the Bill be taken into consideration this day.

The Order of the day being read, for the Indian and Colonial Divorce Jurisdiction Bill [Lords], as amended in the Standing Committee;

Ordered, That the Bill be taken into consideration this day.

The Order of the day being read, for the Supreme Court of Judicature of Northern Ireland Bill;

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time this day.

The Order of the day being read, for the Indian and Colonial Divorce Jurisdiction Bill [Lords], as amended in the Standing Committee;

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time this day.

The Order of the day being read, for the Judicial Committee 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 1922, and confirmed by the Minister of Transport under the Electricity (Supply) Act, 1919, in respect of part of the Rural District of Newton Abbot, in the County
of Devon, which was presented on the 8th day of June 1926, be approved.—(Colonel Ashby.)

Ordered, That the Special Order made by the Board of Trade under the Electricity (Supply) Acts, 1882 to 1922, and confirmed by the Minister of Transport under the Electricity (Supply) Act, 1919, in respect of the Rural District of Homsworth, in the West Riding of the County of York, which was presented on the 8th day of June 1926, be approved.—(Colonel Ashby.)

Ordered, That the Special Order made by the Board of Trade under the Electricity (Supply) Acts, 1882 to 1922, and confirmed by the Minister of Transport under the Electricity (Supply) Act, 1919, in respect of the Urban District of Millom, in the County of Cumberland, which was presented on the 16th day of June 1926, be approved.—(Colonel Ashby.)

Ordered, That in accordance with the Church of England Assembly (Powers) Act, 1919, this House do direct that the First Fruits and Tenths of England Assembly (Powers) Act, 1919, this measure, House do direct that the Ecclesiastical Commissioners Measure, 1926, be presented to His Majesty for Royal Assent.—(Major Birchall.)

Ordered, That in accordance with the Church of England Assembly (Powers) Act, 1919, this House do direct that the Ecclesiastical Commissioners Measure, 1926, be presented to His Majesty for Royal Assent.—(Major Birchall.)

Ordered, That the Debate be further adjourned till Wednesday next.

The Order of the day being read, for the Venereal Disease Act Amendment Bill, 1917 Amendment Bill; Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time upon Monday next.

The Order of the day being read, for the Merchandise Marks Act, 1887 to 1917 Amendment Bill; Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time upon Monday next.

And it being after half-past Eleven of the clock on Wednesday evening, Mr. Speaker adjourned the House without Question put, pursuant to the Standing Order; it being then ten minutes before One of the clock on Thursday morning, till this day.

The House met at a quarter of an hour before Three of the clock.

PRAYERS.

The House sat at a quarter of an hour before Three of the clock.

The Order of the day being read, for the Barnet District Gas and Water Bill [Lords]; Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time to-morrow.

Captain Elliot presented, pursuant to the directions of an Act of Parliament,—Copy Health Insurance (Glasgow Boundaries) Order, 1926, dated 25th June, made by the Scottish Board of Health, under the Glasgow Boundaries Act, 1925. Ordered, That the said Paper do lie upon the Table.

Sir Philip Cunliffe-Lister presented, pursuant to the directions of an Act of Parliament,—Copy National Health Insurance (Glasgow Boundaries) Order, 1926, made by the Scottish Board of Health, under the Glasgow Boundaries Act, 1925. Ordered, That the said Paper do lie upon the Table.

The Order of the day being read, for resuming the adjourned Debate on the Question proposed upon the 19th day of August last, on consideration of the Births and Deaths Registration Bill, as amended in the Standing Committee, That
17 Geo. V. 15th July.

Gas Regulation Act, 1920, on the application of the—
(1) Noria Middlesex Gas Company;
(2) Croydon Gas Company.

Ordered, That the said Paper do lie upon the Table.

Traffic Act, directions of several Acts of Parliament,—by one of their Clerks, as followeth:


London Colonel

Electricity (Supply) Acts, 1924.

Copies of Special Orders made by the
Facilities of Commerce, Trade Acta.

(1) the Urban Districts of Denby and
Cumberworth, Denworth, Gunthwaite and
Ingbirchworth, Hoylandswaine, Shelley,
Shepley, Stowbridge and Thirstone,
and parts of the Rural Districts of
Barnsley and Penistone, all in the West
Riding of the County of York;
(2) the Urban District of Huyton in the
Administrative County of East Suffolk;
(3) the Urban Districts of Dersholme, Queens-
bury, Shelf, and Southowram, all in the
West Riding of the County of York;
(4) the Rural District of Plympton St.
Mary, in the County of Devon.

Ordered, That the said Papers do lie upon the Table.

Trade Facilities Acts.

Mr. M'Neill, presented, pursuant to the
directions of an Act of Parliament,—Copy of
Statement of Guarantees which the Treasury
have stated their willingness to give up to
30th June 1929 under the Trade Facilities
Acts.

Ordered, That the said Paper do lie upon the Table.

Treaty Series No. 17, 1926.

Secretary Sir Austen Chamberlain presented, by His Majesty's Command,—Copy of Agree-
ment between the United Kingdom and
Estonia regarding Tonnage Measurement of
Merchant Ships, together with Notes exchanged,
London, 24th June 1926.

Ordered, That the said Papers do lie upon the Table.

League of Nations (Miscellaneous, No. 4, 1926).

Copy of Report by the Right Honourable
Sir Austen Chamberlain, K.G., M.P. (British
Representative), on the Fortieth Session of
the Council of the League of Nations.

Ordered, That the said Papers do lie upon the Table.

Mashborough and Penistone Tramways
Bill [Lords].

The Chairman of Ways and Means reported
the Mashborough and Swinton Tramways Bill [Lords], with Amendments.

Ordered, That the Report do lie upon the Table; and be printed.

Scottish Widows' Fund and Life Assurance Society Bill [Lords].

The Chairman of Ways and Means reported
the Scottish Widows' Fund and Life Assurance Society Bill [Lords], with Amendments.

Ordered, That the Report do lie upon the Table.

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The Chairman of Ways and Means reported
the West Hampshire Water Bill [Lords], with Amendments.

Ordered, That the Report do lie upon the Table; and be printed.

Mr. Speaker acquainted the House, That a Message from
the Lords to the Ministry of Health (Provisional Orders (No. 5) Bill, 1926,) was read the first time, and ordered to be printed the second time to-morrow; and to be reprinted.

Ordered, That the Amendments made by the Lords to the Ministry of Health Provisional Orders (No. 5) Bill, be taken into consideration to-morrow.

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Sir Thomas Robinson reported from the Local Legislation Committee (Section A.), That in the case of the London County Council (General Powers) Bill [Lords], in pursuance of the Resolution of the House of the 17th day of March last, the Committee had inserted in the Bill the additional provision referred to in the said Resolution.

Sir Thomas Robinson 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.

Business of the House.

A Motion was made, and the Question being put, That the Proceedings on the Finance Bill have precedence this day of the Business of Supply.—(The Prime Minister):

The House divided.

The Yeas to the Right;
The Noes to the Left.

Tellers for the [Sir Harry Barnston],
Yea, [Major Cope];
No, [Mr. Barnes];

So it was resolved in the Affirmative.

Finance Bill.

The House, according to Order, proceeded to take into further consideration the Finance Bill, as amended in the Committee.

Another Amendment was proposed to be made to the Bill, in p. 9, l. 36, by leaving out Clause 11.—(Mr. Gillett)

And the Question being put, That the words proposed to be left out, to the end of p. 9, l. 14, stand part of the Bill;
The House divided.

The Yeas to the Right;
The Noes to the Left.

Tellers for the [Mr. Hayes],
Yea, [Major Cope];
No, [Mr. Barnes];

So it was resolved in the Affirmative.

Another Amendment was proposed to be made to the Bill, in p. 9, l. 14, by inserting, at the end thereof, the words.—

"Provided that there shall be allowed and paid in the case of any manufactured or made-up article exported from Great Britain or Northern Ireland, and consisting wholly or partly of paper subject to the duty imposed by this section, a drawback equal to the amount shown to the satisfaction of the Commissioners to have been paid as duty on the paper used in the manufacture of the article."—(Mr. Alfred Kennedy.)

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. Hayes],
Yea, [Mr. Charles Edwards ];
No, [Major Hennessey];

So it passed in the Negative.

Another Amendment was proposed to be made to the Bill, in p. 9, l. 18, by inserting, after the word "to," the words "any wrapping paper which is imported for the sole purpose of being used as raw material for the manufacture in Great Britain or Northern Ireland of carpets, matting, textileose, twine, boxes, bags, or to"—(Mr. Gerald Horsley.)

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. Hayes],
Yea, [Mr. Thomas Henderson ];
No, [Major Cope];

So it passed in the Negative.

Another Amendment was proposed to be made to the Bill, in p. 9, l. 18, by inserting, after the word "to," the words "straw paper":—(Sir Robert Bird.)

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. Hayes],
Yea, [Mr. Thomas Henderson ];
No, [Major Cope];

Tellers for the [Captain Curzon],
Yea, [Mr. Barnes];
No, [Mr. Barnes];

So it was resolved in the Affirmative.

Another Amendment was proposed to be made to the Bill, in p. 9, l. 18, by inserting, after the word "to," the words "vulcanising paper, vulcanised fibre."—(Mr. Livingstone.)

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 Message was delivered by Lieutenant-Royal Ascot, General Sir William Pulteney, x.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 Measures passed under the provisions of the Church of England Assembly (Powers) Act, 1919, 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 Measures therein mentioned; and that the Lords thereby authorized had declared the Royal Assent to the said Acts and Measures as follow:

1. Secretaries of State Act, 1926.
5. Land Drainage Provisional Order Confirmation (No. 1) Act, 1926.
6. Provisional Order (Marrying) Confirmation (No. 2) Act, 1926.
7. North Berwick Burgh Extension Order Confirmation Act, 1926.
8. Pier and Harbour Order Confirmation Act, 1926.
10. Bermondsey Borough Council (Street Trading) Act, 1926.
11. Mid-Norfolk Joint Railways Act, 1926.
15. T Lewes Falls Improvement Act, 1926.
17. Pontefract Corporation Act, 1926.

Ecclesiastical Commissioners Measure, 1926.

Another Amendment was proposed to be made to the Finance Bill, in p. 10, l. 19, by inserting at the end thereof the words,—

"Provided that this section and any of the rates of duties set out in the First Schedule to this Act shall not apply to any mechanically-propelled vehicle used solely for the conveyance of employed persons to and from their place of employment."—(Mr. Charles Edwards.)

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. Parkinson, Yeas, Mr. Hayes : 
Tellers for the [Sir Harry Barnston, Nos, Captain Bowyer : ] 103.

So it passed in the Negative.

Another Amendment was proposed to be made to the Bill, in p. 11, l. 3, by leaving out "12 cwt," and inserting "15 cwt."—(Mr. Crawford.)

And the Question being put, That those words be there inserted in the Bill;

The House divided.

The Yeas to the Right;
The Noes to the Left.

Tellers for the [Sir Harry Barnston, Yeas, Captain Margesson : 
Mr. Crawford : ] 174.

So it was resolved in the Affirmative.

Another Amendment was proposed to be made to the Bill, in p. 38, l. 5, by leaving out "12 cwt," and inserting "15 cwt."—(Mr. Crawford.)

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. Parkinson, Yeas, Mr. Hayes : 
Mr. Charles Edwards: ] 94.
Tellers for the [Sir Harry Barnston, Nos, Major Cope : ] 178.

So it was resolved in the Affirmative.

Another Amendment was proposed to be made to the Bill, in p. 29, l. 39, by leaving out Clauses 40 and 41.—(Mr. Snowden.)

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 [Sir Harry Barnston, Yeas, 
Tellers for the [Mr. Parkinson, Nos, Mr. Hayes : ] 107.

So it was resolved in the Affirmative.

Another Amendment was proposed to be made to the Bill, in p. 37, l. 40, by inserting at the end thereof the words: "other than vehicles kept by a local authority and used in the performance of their duties relating to the removal of refuse and the cleansing, watering, and repairing of streets."—(Mr. Albert Alexander.)

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. Parkinson, Yeas, Mr. Hayes : 
Mr. Charles Edwards: ] 104.
Tellers for the [Sir Harry Barnston, Nos, Major Cope : ] 188.

So it was resolved in the Affirmative.

Another Amendment was proposed to be made to the Bill, in p. 17, l. 9, by leaving out "five," in l. 9, stand part of the Bill;

The House divided.

The Yeas to the Right;
The Noes to the Left.

Tellers for the [Major Cope, Yeas, Captain Margesson : 
Tellers for the [Mr. Charles Edwards, Nos, Mr. Barnes : ] 117.

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So it was resolved in the Affirmative.

Then other Amendments were made to the Bill.

The Order of the day being read, for the Supply Committee of Supply;

Resolved, That this House will, to-morrow, resolve itself into the said Committee.

The Order of the day being read, for receiving Supply the Report from the Committee of Supply of the 16th day of this instant July;
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.

Supply [Furthermore Report.

The Order of the day being read, for taking into further consideration the second of the Resolutions which upon the 12th day of this instant July were reported from the Committee of Supply of the 7th day of this instant July;

Ordered, That the said Resolution be taken into further consideration to-morrow.

Petroleum Bill [Lords].

The Order of the day being read, for taking into consideration the Petroleum Bill [Lords], as amended in the Standing Committee;

Ordered, That the Bill be taken into consideration to-morrow.

Supreme Court of Judicature of Northern Ireland Bill.

The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Supreme Court of Judicature of Northern Ireland Bill;

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time to-morrow.

Indian and Colonial Divorce Jurisdiction Bill [Lords].

The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Indian and Colonial Divorce Jurisdiction Bill [Lords];

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time to-morrow.

Judicial Committee Bill [Lords].

The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Judicial Committee Bill [Lords];

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time to-morrow.

Chartered Associations (Protection of Names and Uniforms) Bill.

The House, according to Order, proceeded to take into consideration the Chartered Associations (Protection of Names and Uniforms) Bill, as amended in the Standing Committee.

A Clause (Protection of Uniforms)—(Colonel Spender Clay)—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 acquaint them that this House hath agreed to the Amendments made by their Lordships.

Petroleum Bill [Lords].

The House proceeded to take into consideration the Amendments made by the Lords to the Petroleum 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 Teignmouth and Shaldon Bridge Bill: And the same were twice read, and agreed to.

Ordered, That the Clerk do carry the Bill to the Lords; and acquaint them that this House hath agreed to the Amendments made by their Lordships.

The Chorley Corporation Bill [Lords] was read the third time and passed, with Amendments.

Ordered, That the Clerk do carry the Bill to the Lords; and acquaint them that this House hath agreed to the amendments made by the Lords; and to which this House doth desire the concurrence of their Lordships.

The Kidderminster and Stourport Tramways Kidderminster and Stourport Tramways Bill [Lords]: And the same were twice read, and agreed to.

Ordered, That the Clerk do carry the Bill to the Lords; and acquaint them that this House hath agreed to the same, with Amendments; to which this House doth desire the concurrence of their Lordships.

The Reading University 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 Barnet District Gas and Water Bill [Lords] was, according to Order, read a second time, and committed.

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 Manchester Ship Canal (General Powers) Bill [Lords] was, according to Order, read a second time, and committed.

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 Edinburgh Corporation (Streets, Buildings, and Sewers) Order Confirmation Bill [Lords] was, according to Order, read a second time; and ordered to be taken into consideration upon Monday next.

Ordered, That the Paper relative to Trade Facilities Acts, which was presented upon the 15th day of this instant July, be printed.

Mr. McNeill presented, by His Majesty's Command,—Copy of the National Aliens Secretary Sir Act 1920.

Education Acts.

Trade Debt.

and Sewers) Order Confirmation Bill [Lords.]

The University of London Bill [Lords.] was read the first time; and ordered to be read a second time upon Monday next; and to be printed.

The Small Holdings and Allotments Bill was, according to Order, read a second time, and committed to a Standing Committee.

Mr. Guinness, by His Majesty's Command, Small Holdings and Allotments having been informed of the subject matter of the Motion relating to Small Holdings and Allotments [Money] proposed to be moved under Standing Order No. 71a, in Committee of the whole House, recommends it to the consideration of the House.

Then the House, pursuant to Standing Order No. 71a, resolved itself into Committee.

(In the Committee.)

Motion made, and Question proposed, That it is expedient to authorise the payment, out of moneys provided by Parliament, of contributions towards losses incurred by councils of counties and county boroughs in providing small holdings, and of councils of counties in providing cottage holdings, in pursuance of any Act of the present Session to amend the Small Holdings and Allotments Acts, 1908 to 1919.—(Mr. Guinness.)

And is being Four of the clock, the Chairman left the Chair to make his Report to the House.

Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair; and Major Sir Archibald Sinclair 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 the Expiring Second Reading of the Expiring Laws Continuance Bill;

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time upon Monday next.

The Order of the day being read, for taking Petroleum into consideration the Petroleum Bill [Lords.] Bill [Lords.] as amended in the Standing Committee;
Ordered, That the Bill be taken into consideration upon Monday next.

Supreme Court of Judicature of Northern Ireland Bill;
Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time upon Monday next.

Forestry Bill (Lords);
Ordered, That the Bill be read the second time upon Monday next.

Finance Bill (Lords);
Ordered, That the Bill be read the third time upon Monday next.

Supply:
Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time upon Monday next.

Ways and Means;
Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time upon Monday next.

Indian and Colonial Divorce Jurisdiction Bill (Lords);
Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time upon Monday next.

Judicial Committee Bill (Lords);
Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time upon Monday next.

Vinegar Bill;
Ordered, That the Bill be taken into consideration upon Monday next.

Roman Catholic Relief Bill;
Ordered, That the Bill be taken into consideration upon Friday next.

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Whereupon Mr. Speaker adjourned the House without Question put, pursuant to Standing Order No. 3, it being then two minutes after Four of the clock, till Monday next.

[No. 106.]

Monday, 19th July 1926.

The House met at a quarter of an hour before Three of the clock.

PRAYERS.

Ordered, That the Amendments made by Great Western Railway Bill be taken into consideration to-morrow.

Ordered, That the Amendments made by the London Electric and Metropolitan District Railway Companies Bill be taken into consideration to-morrow.

Ordered, That the Amendments made by the Lords to the Southern Railway Bill be taken into consideration to-morrow.

Ordered, That the Newcastle-upon-Tyne Corporation Bill (Lords) be read a second time to-morrow.

Ordered, That in the case of the Manchester Ship Canal (General Powers) Bill (Lords), the Standing Orders 2, 211, 250 and 257 be suspended, and that the Committee on Unopposed Bills have leave to consider the Bill on Wednesday next.—(The Chairman of Ways and Means.)

The House, according to Order, proceeded to Edinburgh Corporation (Streets, Buildings, and Sewers) Order Confirmation Bill (Lords);
Ordered, That the Bill be read the third time to-morrow.

Lord Eustace Percy presented, by His Teachers Majesty’s Command,—Copy of Memorandum on the effect of the draft scheme under 1922.
17 Geo. V. 19th—20th July.

Section 21 (1) (a) of the Teachers (Superannuation) Act, 1925.

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.

Resolved, That this House do now adjourn.—Adjournment, (Captain Bowyer.)

And accordingly the House, having continued to sit till twenty-five minutes after Nine of the clock, adjourned till to-morrow.

STANDING COMMITTEES.

Distribution by Mr. Speaker, pursuant to Standing Order No. 41, of Bills committed to a Standing Committee.

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[No. 107.]

Tuesday, 20th July 1926.

The House met at a quarter of an hour before Three of the clock.

PRAYERS.

The House proceeded to take into consideration the Mexborough and Swinton Tramways Bill [Lords], as amended in the Lords Committee.

Ordered, That the Bill be read the third time.

The Order of the day being read, for taking into consideration the Amendments made by the West of England Railway Bill, the Lords to the Great Western Railway Bill; Ordered, That the said Amendments be taken into consideration to-morrow.

The Order of the day being read, for taking into consideration the Amendments made by the Lords to the London Electric and Metropolitan District Railway Companies Bill; Ordered, That the said Amendments be taken into consideration to-morrow.
The Order of the day being read, for taking into consideration the Amendments made by the Lords to the Southern Railway Bill;
Ordered, That the said Amendments be taken into consideration to-morrow.

Newcastle-upon-Tyne Corporation Bill (Lords).

The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Newcastle-upon-Tyne Corporation Bill (Lords);
Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time to-morrow at a quarter of an hour after Eight of the clock.

Edinburgh Corporation (Sewers, Buildings, and Sewers) Order Confirmation Bill (Lords).

The Order of the day being read, for the Third Reading of the Edinburgh Corporation (Sewers, Buildings, and Sewers) Order Confirmation Bill (Lords);
Ordered, That the Bill be read the third time to-morrow.

Petition presented by Sheriff Union of Benefices and Disposal of Churches (Metropolis) Minutes, 1926.

The House being informed, That the Sheriffs of the City of London attended at the door, by Sheriffs, they were called in; and at the Bar presented,—A Petition of the Lord Mayor, Aldermen, and Commons of the City of London, in Common Council assembled;—And then they withdrew.

And the said Petition, praying, That this House will not direct that the Union of Benefices and Disposal of Churches (Metropolitan Measure, 1926, be presented to His Majesty for His Royal Assent, was read; and ordered to lie upon the Table.

Town Planing (Scotland) Act, 1925.

Captain Elliot presented, pursuant to the directions of an Act of Parliament,—Copy of Regulations, dated 9th July 1926, made by the Scottish Board of Health under the Town Planning (Scotland) Act, 1925, entitled the Town Planning Procedure Regulations (Scotland), 1926.

Ordered, That the said Paper do lie upon the Table.

Lunacy and Mental Disorder (Royal Commission.)

Secretary Sir William Jagnow-Hicks presented, by His Majesty's Command,—Copy of Report of the Royal Commission appointed to inquire concerning the Law relating to and the treatment of lunatics and persons suffering from mental disorder.

Shops Act, 1912.

Secretary Sir William Jagnow-Hicks also presented, pursuant to the directions of an Act of Parliament,—Copy of Order made under the Shops Act, 1912, by the Council of the undermentioned Local Authority, and confirmed by the Secretary of State for the Home Department;—Urban District of Wood Green.

Ordered, That the said Papers do lie upon the Table.


Ordered, That the said Paper do lie upon the Table; and be printed.

Sir Philip Cunliffe-Lister presented, by His Majesty's Command,—Copy of Final Act (and Annex) relative to Oil Pollution of Navigable Waters, signed on 16th June 1926 by the International Conference at Washington.

Copy of Report of the Imperial Shipping Committee on Prat River Railway Wharves (Penang Harbour), with certain observations on the relation of ocean traffic to the development of new ports.

Ordered, That the said Papers do lie upon the Table.

Mr. Secretary Anson presented, by His Colonial and Majesty's Command.—Copy of Statement of the Secretary of State for the Colonies explanatory of the Estimates for Colonial Services, 1926, and Middle Eastern Services, 1926-27.

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 the London Traffic Act, 1924, entitled the London Traffic (Restricted Streets) Amendment (No. 3) Provisional Regulations, 1926.

Ordered, That the said Paper do lie upon the Table.

Mr. Neville Chamberlain presented, pursuant to the directions of several Acts of Parliament,—Copy of the Milk and Dairies Order, 1926, dated 6th July 1926, made under the Milk and Dairies (Consolidation) Act, 1913.

Copy of Provisional Regulations, dated 3rd July 1926, entitled the National Health Insurance (Navy, Army, and Air Force) Amendment Regulations (No. 2), 1926.

Copy of Amendment to the Schedule of the Nava' Rules under the Nurses' Registration Act, 1919, extending certain temporary Acts of Sedentary increasing fees.

Copy of the Public Health (Imported Milk) Public Health Regulations, 1926, dated 6th July 1926, made by the Minister of Health.

Ordered, That the said Papers do lie upon the Table.

Mr. Speaker acquainted the House, That a Message from the Lords to the House of Commons, on the 20th July, 1926, was referred to the Standing Committee on Scottish Bills, to whom the Standing Committee, on Edinburgh Rating (Scotland) Bill was referred; That they had gone through the Bill, and made Amendments thereto.

Ordered, That the Report do lie upon the Table; and be printed.
No. 110. Ordered, That the Minutes of the Proceedings of the Standing Committee be printed.

Bill 163. Ordered, That the Bill, as amended in the Standing Committee, be taken into consideration upon Monday next; and be printed.

Licensing Act (1921) Amendment Bill.

Ordered, That the Licensing Act (1921) Amendment Bill be read a second time upon Tuesday the 17th day of August next.

Standing Committee D. Mining Industry Bill.

Mr. William Nicholson reported from Standing Committee D, to whom the Mining Industry Bill was referred; That they had gone through the Bill, and made Amendments thereto.

No. 111. Ordered, That the Report do lie upon the Table; and be printed.

No. 111. Ordered, That the Minutes of the Proceedings of the Standing Committee be printed.

Bill 164. Ordered, That the Bill, as amended in the Standing Committee, be taken into consideration upon Friday next; and be printed.

Mr. Speaker directed Member to withdraw.

Mr. John Jones, Member for Silvertown, having made use of a grossly disorderly expression, was ordered by Mr. Speaker to withdraw the same, but he declined to comply with that direction;

Whereupon Mr. Speaker, in pursuance of Standing Order No. 20, relating to disorderly conduct, ordered him to withdraw immediately from the House during the remainder of this day's sitting, and the Honourable Member withdrew accordingly.

Prisons (Scotland) Bill.

Colonel Sir John Gilmour, supported by the Lord Advocate, Mr. Solicitor General for Scotland, and Captain Elliot, presented a Bill to amend the provisions of the Prisons (Scotland) Act, 1877, relating to the discontinuance of prisons, and the legalisation of police cells as places of detention: And the same was ordered to be read a second time to-morrow; and be printed.

Business of the House.

A Motion was made, and the Question being put, That the Proceedings on the Expiring Laws Continuance Bill and on the Petroleum Bill [Lords] be exempted, at this day's Sitting, from the provisions of the Standing Order (Sittings of the House)—(The Prime Minister);

The House divided.
The Yeas to the Right;
The Noes to the Left;
Tellers for the 'Colonel Gibb. Yea, 289. Tellers for the J. Mr. Hayes. Noes, 97. Mr. Benjamin Smith.'

So it was resolved in the Affirmative.

Supply. [17th Addled day.]

The House, according to Order, resolved itself into the Committee of Supply.

(In the Committee.)

Civil Services and Revenue Departments Estimates, 1926-27.

Class II.

£47,401 for a Contribution towards the Cost of the Department of His Majesty's Secretary of State for India in Council, including a Grant in Aid.

Resolution to be reported.

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Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair; and the Chairman of Ways and Means reported, That the Committee had come to a Resolution.

Ordered, That the Report be received to-morrow.

The 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 [14th July] the 14th day of this instant July;

Ordered, That the Report be received to-morrow.

The Order of the day being read, for taking Supply into further consideration the Second of the [7th July] Resolutions which, upon the 13th day of this instant July, were reported from the Committee of Supply of the 7th day of this instant July;

Ordered, That the said Resolution be taken into further consideration to-morrow.

The Order of the day being read, for receiving Supply the Report from the Committee of Supply of [16th July] the 16th day of this instant July;

Ordered, That the Report be received to-morrow.

The Order of the day being read, for the ways and Committee of Ways and Means;

Resolved, That this House will, to-morrow, resolve itself into the said Committee.

The Expiring Laws Continuance Bill was, Expiring according to Order, read a second time.

Ordered, That the Bill be committed to a Bill Committee of the whole House for to-morrow.—(Mr. M'Neil.)

The House, according to Order, proceeded unanimously to take into consideration the Petroleum Bill [Lords], 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, 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 Small Committee on Small Holdings and Allotments [Money];

Resolved, that this House will, to-morrow, resolve itself into the said Committee.

The Order of the day being read, for the Fertilisers and Second Reading of the Fertilisers and Feeding Stuff Bill [Lords];

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time to-morrow.

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The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the University of London 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 Supreme Court of Judicature of Northern Ireland Bill;
Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time to-morrow.

The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Shops (Hours of Employment) 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 Forestry 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 Indian and Colonial Divorce Jurisdiction 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 Judicial Committee Bill [Lords];
Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time to-morrow.

The Order of the day being read, for taking into consideration the Vinegar 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 resuming the adjourned Debate on the Question proposed upon the 19th day of February last, That the Town Tenants Bill be now read a second time;
Ordered, That the Debate be further adjourned till Tuesday next.

The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Shops (Hours of Employment) 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 Leasehold Enfranchisement 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 Second Reading of the Dentists 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 Engineers Bill;
Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time upon Monday next.

The House met at a quarter of an hour before Three of the clock.

Prayers.

The House proceeded to take into consider—

the Colwyn Bay Urban District Council Bill [Lords] (changed from Colwyn Bay and Colwyn Urban District Council Bill [Lords]), as amended in the Committee;
Ordered, That the Bill be read the third time.

Ordered, That the Margate Corporation Bill Margate [Lords], as amended in the Committee, be taken into consideration to-morrow.

Ordered, That the Scottish Widows' Fund and Life Assurance Society Bill [Lords], as amended in the Committee, be taken into consideration to-morrow.

Ordered, That the West Hampshire Water Bill [Lords], as amended in the Committee, be taken into consideration to-morrow, at a quarter of an hour after Eight of the clock.

The Order of the day being read, for taking Great Britain into consideration the Amendments made by the Lords to the Great Western Railway Bill;
Ordered, That the said Amendments be taken into consideration upon Friday next.

The Order of the day being read, for taking London into consideration the Amendments made by the Lords to the London Electric and Metropolitan District Railway Companies Bill;
Ordered, That the said Amendments be taken into consideration upon Friday next.

The Order of the day being read, for taking Northern into consideration the Amendments made by the Lords to the Northern Railway Bill;
Ordered, That the said Amendments be taken into consideration upon Friday next.
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Edinburgh Corporation (Streets, Buildings, and Sewers) Order Confirmation Bill [Lords].

The Order of the day being read, for the Third Reading of the Edinburgh Corporation (Streets, Buildings, and Sewers) Order Confirmation Bill [Lords], it was moved by Lord Joynson-Hicks, pursuant to direction of the Act of Parliament,—Copy of Annual Report relating to the Land Drainage Districts under the Welsh Intermediate Education Act, 1889, for the year ended 31st March 1926, to be printed.

Ordered, That the Bill be read the third time to-morrow.

Ordered, That the report do lie upon the Table.

Ordered, That the Bill be read the third time to-morrow.

The Chairman of Ways and Means reported from the Committee on the Ministry of Health Provisional Orders Confirmation (No. 7) Bill [Lords]; that they had considered the Orders therein contained; that the said Orders ought to be confirmed; and that they had directed him to report the Bill, without Amendment, to the House.

Ordered, That the Report do lie upon the Table.

Ordered, That the Bill be read the third time to-morrow.

The Chairman of Ways and Means reported from the Committee on the Ministry of Health Provisional Orders Confirmation (No. 8) Bill [Lords]; that they had considered the Orders therein contained; that the said Orders ought to be confirmed; and that they had directed him to report the Bill, without Amendment, to the House.

Ordered, That the Report do lie upon the Table.

Ordered, That the Bill be read the third time to-morrow.

The Chairman of Ways and Means reported from the Committee on the Ministry of Health Provisional Orders Confirmation (No. 9) Bill [Lords]; that they had considered the Orders therein contained; that the said Orders ought to be confirmed; and that they had directed him to report the Bill, without Amendment, to the House.

Ordered, That the Report do lie upon the Table.

Ordered, That the Bill be read the third time to-morrow.

The Chairman of Ways and Means reported from the Committee on the Ministry of Health Provisional Orders Confirmation (No. 10) Bill [Lords]; that they had considered the Orders therein contained; that the said Orders ought to be confirmed; and that they had directed him to report the Bill, without Amendment, to the House.

Ordered, That the Report do lie upon the Table.

Ordered, That the Bill be read the third time to-morrow.

The Chairman of Ways and Means reported from the Committee on the Ministry of Health Provisional Order Confirmation (Ashton-under-Lyne 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.

The Chairman of Ways and Means reported from the Committee on the Ministry of Health Provisional Order Confirmation (No. 8) Bill [Lords]; that they had considered the Orders therein contained; that the said Orders ought to be confirmed; and that they had directed him to report the Bill, without Amendment, to the House.

Ordered, That the Report do lie upon the Table.

Ordered, That the Bill be read the third time to-morrow.
The Chairman of Ways and Means reported from the Committee on the Ministry of Health Provisional Order Confirmation (Ealing 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.

A Motion was made, and the Question being put, That the Appropriation Account for 1924–25, and the application of surpluses to meet Expenditure not provided for in the Grants for that year.—(Colonel Gibbs.)

Ordered, That the Appropriation Account for Air Services, which was presented upon the 16th March last, be referred to the Committee. —(Colonel Gibbs.)

Mr. Morris, supported by Mr. Rhys Davies, Mr. Mackenzie Livingstone, Mr. Fenby, Mr. Briant, and Mr. Remer, presented a Bill to provide for the registration of insurance brokers and agents, and for purposes incidental thereto; And the same was ordered to be read a second time upon Monday next; and to be printed.

Business of the House.

A Motion was made, and the Question being put, That the Proceedings on the Expiring Laws Continuance Bill be exempted, at this day's Sitting, from the provisions of the Standing Order (Sittings of the House)—(The Prime Minister).

The House divided.

The Yeas to the Right;

The Noes to the Left.

Tellers for the Yeas, (Colonel Gibbs; Mr. Charles Edwards (Mr. Hayes; Mr. John Gilmour.)

So it was resolved in the Affirmative.

The Order of the day being read, for the Finance Bill; Third Reading of the Finance Bill;

And a Motion was made, and the Question being put, 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. Dalton.)

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, (Sir Harry Barnston; Mr. Charles Edwards, Mr. Hayes; Mr. John Gilmour.)

So it was resolved in the Affirmative.

The Order of the day being read, for the Finance Bill; Third Reading of the Finance Bill;

And 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."—(Mr. Dalton.)

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. Charles Edwards; Mr. Hayes.)

So it was resolved in the Affirmative.

The Newcastle-upon-Tyne Corporation Bill Newcastle-upon-Tyne Corporation (General Powers) Bill (Lords.) was, according to Order, read a second time, and committed.

Ordered, That the Standing Orders 82, 211, 236, and 237 be suspended, and that the Committee on the Bill have leave to consider the Bill to-morrow.—(The Chairman of Ways and Means.)

Colonel Sir John Gilmour, by His Majesty's Palestine and Command, acquainted the House that His Majesty, having been informed of the subject matter of the Motion relating to Palestine and East Africa Loans (Guarantee) proposed to be moved, under Standing Order No. 71a, in Committee of the whole House, recommends it to the consideration of the House.

Then the House, pursuant to Standing Order No. 71a, resolved itself into Committee.

(in the Committee)

Motion made, and Question proposed, That it is expedient to authorise the Treasury to guarantee the payment of the principal of, and the interest on, the following loans,—

(a) a loan to be raised by the Government of Palestine not exceeding an amount
The House, according to Order, resolved itself into a Committee on the Expiring Laws Continuance Bill.

Clause No. 1 (Continuance of Acts in Schedules.)

Amendment proposed, in p. 1, l. 17, to leave out the words "Part I. of."—(Mr. Neil Maclean.)

Question, That the words proposed to be left out stand part of the Clause, put, and agreed to.

Clause agreed to.

Clause No. 2 (Short title and application to Northern Ireland.)

Amendment proposed in p. 2, l. 8, to leave out subsection (2).—(Captain Wedgwood Benn.)

Question, That the words proposed to be left out stand part of the Clause, put, and agreed to.

Clause agreed to.

Schedule.

Amendment proposed, in p. 3, to leave out l. 6 to 35. —(Mr. Neil Maclean.)

Question, That the words proposed to be left out stand part of the Schedule, put, and agreed to.

Another Amendment proposed, in p. 3, to leave out l. 40 to 44.—(Captain Wedgwood Benn.)

Question, That the words proposed to be left out stand part of the Schedule, put, and agreed to.

Another Amendment proposed, in p. 4, to leave out l. 5 to 7.—(Mr. Neil Maclean.)

Question, That the words proposed to be left out stand part of the Schedule;—Thursday, 22nd July 1928:

Question put, and agreed to.

Another Amendment proposed, in p. 4, to leave out l. 12 to 24.—(Captain Wedgwood Benn.)

Question, That the words proposed to be left out stand part of the Schedule, put, and agreed to.

Another Amendment proposed, in p. 4, to leave out l. 25 to 30.—(Mr. Scurr.)

Question proposed, That the words proposed to be left out stand part of the Schedule;—

Amendment, by leave, withdrawn.

Another Amendment proposed, in p. 4, to leave out l. 25 to 30.—(Mr. Scurr.)

Question proposed, That the words proposed to be left out stand part of the Schedule;—

Amendment, by leave, withdrawn.

Motion made, and Question, That the Chairman do report Progress; and ask leave to sit again.—(Captain Wedgwood Benn.)—put, and agreed to.

Mr. Deputy Speaker resumed the Chair; and the Chairman of Ways and Means reported, That the Committee had made Progress in the Bill, and that he was directed to move, That the Committee may have leave to sit again.

Resolved, That this House will, this day, again resolve itself into the said Committee.

The Order of the day being read, for the Supply 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 Supply 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 Prisons Second Reading of the Prisons (Scotland) Bill; (Scotland)

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time upon Monday next.

The Order of the day being read for receiving Supply Report from the Committee of Supply of 20th July Report, the 20th day of this instant July;—Ordered, That the Report be received this day.

The Order of the day being read, for receiving Supply Report from the Committee of Supply of [19th July] Report, the 19th day of this instant July;

Ordered, That the Report be received this day.

The Order of the day being read, for taking Supply into further consideration the Second of the Report, Resolutions which, upon the 12th day of this instant July, were reported from the Committee of Supply of the 7th day of this instant July;—Ordered, That the said Resolution be taken into further consideration this day.

The Order of the day being read, for receiving Supply the Report from the Committee of Supply of [15th July] Report, the 15th day of this instant July;

Ordered, That the Report be received this day.

The Order of the day being read, for the Small Holdings and Allotments [Money];

Resolved, That this House will, this day, resolve itself into the said Committee.

The Order of the day being read, for the Fertilisers and Feeding stuffs Bill [Lords];

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time upon Friday next.
The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the University of London Bill [Lords];
Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time upon Friday next.

The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Supreme Court of Judicature of Northern Ireland Bill;
Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time upon Friday next.

The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Forestry Bill [Lords];
Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time upon Friday next.

The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Indian and Colonial Divorce Jurisdiction Bill [Lords];
Ordered, that the Bill be read a second time upon Friday next.

The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Midwives and Maternity Homes Bill, in p. 6, l. 8, at end, to insert new Judicial Committee Bill [Lords];
Ordered, That the Debate be further adjourned till Wednesday next.

The Order of the day being read, for resuming the adjourned Debate on the Question proposed upon the 14th day of this instant July, That this House doth agree with the Lords in their Amendment to the Midwives and Maternity Homes Bill, in p. 6, l. 8, at end, to insert new Clause A (Power to exempt certain institutions from Part II.);
Ordered, That the Debate be further adjourned till Friday next.

The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Shops (Hours of Employment) 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 Dentists 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 twenty-six minutes after Twelve of the clock on Thursday morning, till this day.
Ordered, That the Bill be taken into consideration to-morrow.

The Lord Advocate presented, by His Majesty’s Command,—Copy of Annual Report of the Prison Commissioners for Scotland for 1925.

The Lord Advocate also presented, pursuant to the directions of an Act of Parliament,—Copy of Nineteenth Report to the Secretary for Scotland by the Board of Trustees for the National Galleries of Scotland from 1st April 1925 to 31st March 1926.

Ordered, That the said Papers do lie upon the Table.

The following Paper, pursuant to the directions of an Act of Parliament, was laid upon the Table by the Clerk of the House—Copy of Schedule containing a list and particulars of certain Classes of Documents relating to His Majesty’s Consular existing or accruing in the Offices of the Board of Trade which are not considered of sufficient public value to justify their preservation in the Public Record Office.

Mr. William Nicholson reported from the Chairmen’s Panel, That they had appointed Mr. Short to act as Chairman of Standing Committee A (in respect of the Moneylenders Bill [Lords]); and Mr. Morgan Jones of Standing Committee D (in respect of the Coroners Act, 1906).—The Bill was referred; That they had gone through the Bill, and made Amendments thereunto.

Ordered, That the Report do lie upon the Table.

Sir Robert Sanders reported from Standing Committee C, to whom the Electricity (Supply) Bill [Lords] was referred; That they had gone through the Bill, and made Amendments thereto.

Ordered, That the Report do lie upon the Table; and be printed.

No. 114. Ordered, That the Minutes of the Proceedings of the Standing Committee be printed.

Bill No. 173. Ordered, That the Bill be taken into consideration upon Wednesday next; and be printed.

Sir Park Goff reported from the Committee on the Stoke-on-Trent Corporation Bill [Lords]; That they had examined the allegations contained in the Proceeding 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 acquaints the House, That a Message had been brought from the Lords by one of their Clerks, as followeth:

The Lords have agreed to the Tramways Provisional Order Bill, without any Amendment.

The Lords have agreed to the Guildford Corporation Bill, with Amendments; to which the Lords desire the concurrence of this House.

Mr. William Nicholson reported from the Selection Committee of Selection: That they had discharged the following Members from Standing Committee A:—Sir Alexander Sprot and Mr. Committee A.

Mr. William Nicholson further reported from Standing Committee D:—Col. Heneage; and had appointed in substitution: Sir Douglas Newton.

Mr. William Nicholson further reported from Standing Committee D:—Col. Long; and had appointed in substitution: Sir George Birnie.

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to defray the charge which will come in course of payment during the year ending on the 31st day of March 1927 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 proposed, That a sum not exceeding £28,299,900 be granted for the said Service—(Mr. Trevelyan);

and it being a quarter past Eight o'clock, and there being Private Business set down by direction of the Chairman of Ways and Means under Standing Order No. 8, further Proceedings were postponed without Question put.

The Edinburgh Corporation (Streets, Buildings, and Sewers) Order Confirmation Bill [Lords] was, according to Order, read the third time and passed.

Ordered, That the Clerk do carry the Bill to the Lords; and acquaint them that this House hath agreed to the same, without Amendment.

The House, according to Order, proceeded to take into consideration the Margate Corporation Bill [Lords], as amended in the Committee.

Ordered, That the Bill be read the third time.

Postponed Proceeding on Question proposed on consideration of Question, That a sum not exceeding £28,300,000 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 1927 for the Salaries and Expenses of the Board of Education, and of the various Establishments connected therewith, including sundry Grants in Aid, resumed.

Question put, That a sum not exceeding £28,299,900 be granted for the said Service.

The Committee divided.

Tellers for the Yeas—Mr. Charles Edwards, 97;

Mr. Hayes; f

Sir Harry Varston; s

Mr. Frederick Thorne.

Tellers for the Nays—221.

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.

To 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 receiving the Report from the Committee of Supply of the 30th day of this instant July;

Ordered, That the Report be received to-morrow.

The Order of the day being read, for receiving the Report from the Committee of Supply of the 19th day of this instant July;

Ordered, That the Report be received to-morrow.

The Order of the day being read, for taking Supply into further consideration the Second of the Resolutions which, upon the 12th day of this instant July, were reported from the Committee of Supply of the 7th day of this instant July;

Ordered, That the said Resolution be taken into further consideration to-morrow.

The Order of the day being read, for the Ways and Committee of Supply of the 7th day of this instant July;

Resolved, This House will, to-morrow, resolve itself into the said Committee.

The Order of the day being read, for the Air Committee on Air Expenditure, 1924-25;

Resolved, That this House will, to-morrow, resolve itself into the said Committee.

The Order of the day being read, on the Palestine and East Africa Loans [Guarantee];

Resolved, That this House will, to-morrow, resolve itself into the said Committee.

The Order of the day being read, for the Bill on the Expiring Laws Continuance Bill;

Resolved, That this House will, to-morrow, resolve itself into the said Committee.

The Order of the day being read, for the Committee on Small Holdings and Allotments [Money];

Resolved, That this House will, to-morrow, resolve itself into the said Committee.

A Motion was made, and the Question being Adjourned, proposed, That this House do now adjourn.—(Colonel Gibb);

And it being Eleven o'clock, the Motion for the adjournment of the House lapsed without Question put.

The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Venereal Disease Act (1917) 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 Shops (Hours of Employment) Bill;

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time to-morrow.
The House proceeded to take into consideration the Amendments made by the Lords to the Great Western Railway Bill; 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 Order of the day being read, for taking into consideration the Amendments made by the Lords to the Metropolitan District Railway Companies Bill; 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 Order of the day being read, for taking into consideration the Amendments made by the Lords to the London Electric and Metropolitan District Railway Companies Bill; 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.

Mr. Bridges moved, pursuant to the Standing Orders, the direction of an Act of Parliament,—Copy of the Statement of the estimated Income and Expenditure of Greenwich Hospital and of Travers' Foundation for the year 1926.

Ordered, That the said Paper do lie upon the Table; and be printed.

Mr. William Nicholson reported from the Select Committee of Selection: That they had discharged the following Member from Standing Committee A (added in respect of the Money-Orderers Bill):—Captain Hocking; and had appointed in substitution: Captain King.

Ordered, That the Report do lie upon the Table.

Mr. William Nicholson reported from the Chairman's Committee: That they had appointed Panel: Sir Robert Sandars to act as Chairman of Standing Committee G (in respect of the Police Pensions Bill and the Lead Paint (Protection against Poisoning) Bill).

Ordered, That the Report do lie upon the Table.
Private Bills

Sir Paul Cuffe reported from the Committee on Group F of Private Bills: That, for the convenience of parties, the Committee had adjourned till the first Tuesday after the beginning of the Autumn Session, at Eleven of the clock.

Ordered, That the Report do lie upon the Table.

Mr. Davidson presented a Bill to amend the Offices of Royal Naval Reserve Act, 1863: And the same was ordered to be read a second time upon Monday next, and to be printed.

Mining Industry Bill.

The Order of the day being read, for taking into consideration the Mining Industry Bill, as amended in the Standing Committee.

A Motion was made, and the Question being proposed, That the Bill be re-committed to the Standing Committee.—(Captain Wedgwood Benn.)

And the Motion being opposed, after a brief explanatory statement of the reasons for re-committal from the Member who made the Motion and from a Member who opposed it, Mr. Speaker put the Question thereon, pursuant to Standing Order No. 40a;

The House divided.

The Yeas to the Right;
The Nos to the Left.

Tellers for the Sir Geoffrey Collins, Yeas, Mr. Robert Hutchinson; 81.
Tellers for the Sir Harry Barnston, Nos, Lord Stanley; 105.

So it passed in the Negative.

Then the House proceeded to take into consideration the Bill, as amended in the Standing Committee.

A Clause was offered to be added to the Bill (Municipal Sale of Coal).—(Mr. Lawson.)

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 Nos to the Left.

Tellers for the Sir Geoffrey Collins, Yeas, Mr. Robert Hutchinson; 110.
Tellers for the Mr. Parkinson, Nos, Mr. Charles Edwards; 257.

So it passed in the Negative.

Another Clause was offered to be added to the Bill (Settlement of Disputes).—(Mr. David Davies.)

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 (Board of Trade to promote establishment of Agencies).—(Mr. William Adamson.)

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 Nos to the Left.

Tellers for the Sir Benjamin Smith, Yeas, Mr. Hayes; 111.
Tellers for the Major Cope, Nos, Captain Viscount; 258.

So it passed in the Negative.

An Amendment was proposed to be made to the Bill, in p. 1, l. 9, by leaving out the word "Where."—(Mr. Walsh.)

And the Question being put, That the word "Where" stand part of the Bill;

The House divided.

The Yeas to the Right;
The Nos to the Left.

Tellers for the Major Hennessey, Yeas, Mr. Frederick Thomson; 283.
Tellers for the Mr. Parkinson, Nos, Mr. Hayes; 108.

So it was resolved in the Affirmative.

Another Amendment was proposed to be made to the Bill, in p. 1, l. 10, by leaving out from the word "coal," to the word "may," in l. 13, and inserting the words "the Minister of Mines, on the application of the owner of any undertaking consisting of or comprising coal mines, or on the representation of two-thirds of the miners working in any such undertaking, or on his own initiative"—(Mr. Lloyd George),—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 Nos to the Left.

Tellers for the Major Hennessey, Yeas, Mr. Frederick Thomson; 280.
Tellers for the Sir Geoffrey Collins, Nos, Mr. Robert Hamilton; 109.

So it was resolved in the Affirmative;

And it being after Four 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 upon Tuesday next.

The Order of the day being read, for the Consideration of the Fertilisers and Feeding Stuffs Bill [Lords];

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time upon Monday next.

The Order of the day being read, for the Consideration of the University of London 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 Supreme Court of Judicature of Northern Ireland Bill;

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time upon Monday next.

The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Forestry 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 Indian and Colonial Divorce Jurisdiction 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 Judicial Committee 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 Isle of Man (Customs) 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 22nd 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, 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 14th day of this instant July;

Ordered, That the Report be received upon Monday next.

The Order of the day being read, for receiving the Report from the Committee of Supply of the 20th day of this instant July;

Ordered, That the Report be received upon Monday next.

The Order of the day being read, for receiving the Report from the Committee of Supply of the 19th day of this instant July;

Ordered, That the Report be received upon Monday next.

The Order of the day being read, for taking into further consideration the Second of the Resolutions which, upon the 12th day of this instant July, were reported from the Committee of Supply of the 7th day of this instant July;

Ordered, That the said Resolution be taken into further consideration upon Monday next.

The Order of the day being read, for the Committee of Ways and Means;

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time upon Monday next.

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 Forestry Bill [Lords.]

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time upon Monday next.

The Order of the day being read, for the Report from the Committee on Palestine and East Africa Loans [Guarantee];

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 Supreme Court of Judicature 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 Divorce Jurisdiction Bill [Lords.]

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 18th day of June last, That the Class (Conditions as to registration and inspection) proposed on consideration of the Births and Deaths Registration Bill, as amended in the Standing Committee, be read a second time;

Ordered, That the Debate be further adjourned till Monday next.

The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Shops (Hours of Employment) 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 Offices Regulation Bill;

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time upon Monday next.

The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Supreme Court of Judicature 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 Divorce Jurisdiction Bill [Lords.]

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time upon Monday next.
Whereupon Mr. Speaker adjourned the House without Question put, pursuant to Standing Order No. 3, it being then seven minutes after Four of the clock, till Monday next.

[No. 111.]

Monday, 26th July 1926.

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 Southend 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 Colwyn Bay Urban District Council Bill [Lords.] was read the third time and passed, with Amendments.

Ordered, That the Clerk do carry the Bill to the Lords; and acquaint them that this House hath agreed to the Amendments made by their Lordships.

The Margate Corporation Bill [Lords.] was read the third time and passed, with Amendments.

Ordered, That the Clerk do carry the Bill to the Lords; and acquaint them that this House hath agreed to the Amendments made by their Lordships.

The Scottish Widows' Fund and Life Assurance Society Bill [Lords.] was read the third time and passed, with Amendments.

Ordered, That the Clerk do carry the Bill to the Lords; and acquaint them that this House hath agreed to the Amendments made by their Lordships.

A Motion being made, That the West Hampshire Water Bill [Lords.] be now read the third time;

Mr. Hope, 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 Amendments made by their Lordships.

to which this House doth desire the concurrence of their Lordships.

The House proceeded to take into consideration the Berwick-upon-Tweed Corporation Bill [Lords.], as amended in the Committee.

Ordered, That the Bill be read the third time.

The House proceeded to take into consideration the Eastbourne Corporation Bill [Lords.], as amended in the Committee.

Ordered, That the Bill be read the third time.

The House proceeded to take into consideration the London County Council (General Powers) Bill [Lords.], as amended in the Committee.

Ordered, That the Bill be read the third time.

The House proceeded to take into consideration the Worcester Corporation Bill [Lords.], as amended in the Committee.

Ordered, That the Bill be read the third time.

The Order of the day being read, for taking Great Western Railway Bill, the Lords to the Great Western Railway Bill;

Ordered, That the said Amendments be taken into consideration to-morrow.

The Order of the day being read, for taking into consideration the Amendments made by the Lords to the London Electric and Metropolitan District Railway Companies Bill;

Ordered, That the said Amendments be taken into consideration to-morrow.

The Order of the day being read, for taking into consideration the Amendments made by the Lords to the Southern Railway Bill;

Ordered, That the said Amendments be taken into consideration to-morrow.

The Order of the day being read, for taking into consideration the Amendments made by the Lords to the Southend Corporation Bill;

Ordered, That the said Amendments be taken into consideration to-morrow.

Ordered, That Standing Orders 220 and 246, Private Bills, relating to Private Bills, be suspended until the Summer Adjournment.

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 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 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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The Order of the day being read, for the Third Reading of the Ministry of Health Provisional Orders Confirmation (No. 6) Bill [Lords];

Ordered, That the Bill be read the third time to-morrow.

Air Ministry (Directorate of Civil Aviation.)

Secretary Sir Samuel Hoare presented, by His Majesty's Command,—Copy of Annual Report by the Directorate of Civil Aviation of the Air Ministry on the progress of Civil Aviation, 1925-26.

Ordered, That the said Paper do lie upon the Table.

Earl Winterton presented, pursuant to the directions of an Act of Parliament,—Copy of Amendment of the Electoral Rules of the Coorg Legislative Council made by the Governor-General of India in Council, with the approval of the Secretary of State in Council, under Section 76 of the Government of India Act.

Ordered, That the said Paper do lie upon the Table.

Mr. Neville Chamberlain presented, pursuant to the directions of several Acts of Parliament,—Copy of the Contributory Pensions (Modification of Old Age Pensions) Regulations, 1926, dated 26th July 1926.

Ordered, That the said Papers do lie upon the Table.

Navy (Exceptions to King's Regulations)

Mr. Bridgeman 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, sanctioned during the year 1920-26.

Ordered, That the said Paper do lie upon the Table.

Mr. Arthur Steel Maitland presented, by His Majesty's Command,—Copy of Report of the Ministry of Labour for the year 1925.

Ordered, That the said Paper do lie upon the Table.

Mr. Philip Cunliffe-Lister presented, pursuant to the directions of an Act of Parliament,—Copy of the Gas (Amending Orders) Rules, 1926, dated 23rd July 1926, made by the Board of Trade with respect to applications for Amending Orders under the Gas Regulation Act, 1926, consequent on the increased cost of coal due to the stoppage in the coal industry.

Ordered, That the said Paper do lie upon the Table.

The following Paper, pursuant to the directions of an Act of Parliament, was laid upon the Table by the Clerk of the House:—

Copy of the Rules of the Supreme Court, (No. 3), 1926, dated 26th July 1926.

Mr. William Nicholson reported from the Committee of Selection: That they had discharged the following Member from Standing Committee A:

Margaret Grace Bondfield, Member for the Borough of Wallsend, was sworn.

A Motion was made, and the Question being put, That the day, notwithstanding anything in Standing Order No. 15, Supplementary Estimates for New Services may be considered in Committee of Supply, and that Business other than the Business of Supply may be taken before Eleven of the clock—(The Prime Minister);

The House divided.

The Yeas to the Right; The Noes to the Left.

Tellers for the [Colonel Gibbs]:

Yes, [Sir Harry Barnston:]

Noes, [Mr. Hayes:]

So it was resolved in the Affirmative.

A Motion was made, and the Question being put, That the Proceedings in Committee on the House, Air Expenditure, 1924-25, and 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)—(The Prime Minister);

The House divided.

The Yeas to the Right; The Noes to the Left.

Tellers for the [Colonel Gibbs]:

Yes, [Sir Harry Barnston:]

Noes, [Mr. Charles Edwards:]

So it was resolved in the Affirmative.

The House, according to Order, resolved Supply Bill into the Committee of Supply. [17th allotted Day:]

(In the Committee.)

Civil Services and Revenue Departments Estimates and Supplementary Estimates, 1926-27.

Class II.

1. £102,609 for the Salaries and Expenses of the Office of His Majesty's Secretary for Scotland and Subordinate Offices, Expenses under the Inebriates Acts, 1879 to 1900, Expenses under the Private Legislation Procedure (Scotland) Act, 1896, a Subsidy for Steamers Services to the Hebrides, and Grants in respect of Unemployment Schemes.

Class IV.

2. £3,680,342 for Public Education in Scotland, and for the Royal Scottish Museum, Edinburgh, including a Grant in Aid.

3. £1,858,345 for the Salaries and Expenses of the Scottish Board of Health, including Grants and other Expenses in connection with Housing, Grants to Local Authorities, &c.
Grants in respect of Benefits and Expenses of Administration under the National Health Insurance Acts, certain Expenses in connection with the Widows', Orphans', and Old Age Contributory Pensions Act, 1925, and certain Grants in Aid.

Class II.

4. Motion made, and Question proposed, That a sum not exceeding £117,130 be granted to His Majesty, to complete the sum necessary to defray the charge which will come in course of payment during the year ending on the 31st day of March 1927 for the Salaries and Expenses of the Mines Department of the Board of Trade:

Whereupon Motion made, and Question put, That a sum not exceeding £117,030 be granted for the said Service.—(Mr. Lloyd George.)

The Committee divided.

Tellers for the  Sir Godfrey Collins, Year: Mr. Horne:
Tellers for the  Mr. Frederick Thom,

Chairman proceeded, pursuant to Standing Order No. 15, to put forthwith the Question necessary to dispose of the Vote under consideration.

Original Question put, and agreed to.

The Chairman then proceeded, pursuant to Standing Order No. 15, to put severally the Questions on Standing Order No. 15, to put severally the Question necessary to dispose of the Vote under consideration.

Class I.

5. That a sum not exceeding £1,425,408 be granted to His Majesty, to complete the sum necessary to defray the charge which will come in course of payment during the year ending on the 31st day of March 1927 for Expenditure in respect of the Services included in Class II. of the Estimates for Civil Services, viz.:—

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<td>1. Royal Palace</td>
<td>£73,556</td>
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<td>2. Osborne</td>
<td>11,635</td>
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<td>4. Miscellaneous Legal Buildings</td>
<td>56,729</td>
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<td>5. Government Actuary</td>
<td>5,328</td>
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<td>6. Government Actuary</td>
<td>5,345</td>
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<td>7. Surveys of Great Britain</td>
<td>99,345</td>
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<td>8. Peterhead Harbour</td>
<td>21,000</td>
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<td>9. Rates on Government Property</td>
<td>1,986,788</td>
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<td>10. Works and Buildings in Ireland</td>
<td>55,290</td>
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<td>2,425,408</td>
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Question put, and agreed to.

Class II.

6. That a sum not exceeding £8,314,823 be granted to His Majesty, to complete the sum necessary to defray the charge which will come in course of payment during the year ending on the 31st day of March 1927 for Expenditure...
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9. Reformatory and Industrial Schools, England and Wales - £109,690
10. Broadmoor Criminal Asylum - £49,328
Scotland:
11. Low Charges and Courts of Law - £55,059
12. Scottish Local Government - £6,110
13. Register House, Edinburgh - £50,665
14. Police - £43,008
15. Prisons - £52,107
16. Reformatory and Industrial Schools - £47,457

Ireland:
17. Supreme Court of Judicature, &c., Northern Ireland - £32,435
18. Land Purchase Commission, Northern Ireland - £875,979

Total: £1,557,782

Question put.
The Committee divided.
Tellers for the [Sir Harry Barnston, Yeas, [Major Heenan]: 151.
Tellers for the [Mr. Parkinson, Noes, [Mr. Charles Edwards]: 16.

Class IV.

8. That a sum not exceeding £1,557,782 be granted to His Majesty, to complete the sum necessary to defray the charge which will come in course of payment during the year ending on the 31st day of March 1927 for Expenditure in respect of the Services included in Class IV of the Estimates for Civil Services, viz.:—

- British Museum - £183,420
- National Gallery - £13,713
- National Portrait Gallery - £5,588
- Wallace Collection - £8,484
- London Museum - £2,988
- Imperial War Museum - £8,965
- Scientific Investigation, &c. - £166,488
- Department of Scientific and Industrial Research - £242,977
- Universities and Colleges, Great Britain, and Intermediate Education, Wales - £981,709

Total: £1,557,782

Question put, and agreed to.

Class V.

9. That a sum not exceeding £4,286,822 be granted to His Majesty, to complete the sum necessary to defray the charge which will come in course of payment during the year ending on the 31st day of March 1927 for Expenditure in respect of the Services included in Class V of the Estimates for Civil Services, viz.:—

- Diplomatic and Consular Services - £552,558
- Colonial Services - £254,099
- Dominion Services - £30,983
- Overseas Settlement - £625,000
- Middle Eastern Services - £2,044,000
- League of Nations - £40,000
- West Indian Islands Cable, Grant in Aid - £5,000
- Empire Marketing - £500,000

Total: £4,286,822

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Question put.
The Committee divided.
Tellers for the [Captain Margesson, Yeas, [Captain Bowyer]: 347.
Tellers for the [Mr. Benjamin Smith, Noes, [Mr. Hayes]: 148.

Class VI.

10. That a sum not exceeding £64,071,749 be granted to His Majesty, to complete the sum necessary to defray the charge which will come in course of payment during the year ending on the 31st day of March 1927 for Expenditure in respect of the Services included in Class VI of the Estimates for Civil Services, viz.:—

- Supersession and Retired Allowances - £800,042
- Royal Irish Constabulary Pensions, &c. - £172,600
- Old Age Pensions - £18,840,000
- Widows', Orphans', and Old Age Contributory Pensions - £3,600,000
- Ministry of Pensions - £60,984,900
- Merchant Seamen's War Pensions - £262,316
- Miscellaneous Expenses - £2,716
- Royal Commissions, &c. - £19,385
- National Savings Committee - £84,879
- Imperial War Graves Commission - £768,114
- Repayments to the Local Loans Fund - £48,025
- Expense under the Representation of the People Act - £175,000
- Development Fund - £160,000
- Government Hospitality Fund - £28,000
- Repayments to the Civil Contingencies Fund - £54,718
- British Empire Exhibition Guarantee - £275,000

Total: £64,071,749

Question put, and agreed to.

Class VII.

11. That a sum not exceeding £17,904,074 be granted to His Majesty, to complete the sum necessary to defray the charge which will come in course of payment during the year ending on the 31st day of March 1927 for Expenditure in respect of the Services included in Class VII of the Estimates for Civil Services, viz.:—

- Ministry of Health - £10,617,048
- Ministry of Labour - £7,170,135
- National Insurance, Audit Department - £110,060
- Friendly Societies' Deficiency - £5,991

Total: £17,904,074

Question put.
The Committee divided.
Tellers for the [Captain Margesson, Yeas, [Captain Bowyer]: 340.
Tellers for the [Mr. Benjamin Smith, Noes, [Mr. Hayes]: 148.

Unemployment Grants.

12. That a sum not exceeding £83,000 be granted to His Majesty, to complete the sum necessary to defray the charge which will come in course of payment during the year ending on the 31st day of March 1927 for Grants to Local Authorities, &c., in Great Britain for assistance in carrying out approved Schemes of useful work to relieve Unemployment.
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Question put.
The Committee divided.

Tellers for the "Sir Harry Barnston, Yeas, (Major Cope : 341.
Tellers for the "Mr. Parkinson, Noes, (Mr. Charles Edwards : 148.

Relief of Unemployment.

13. That a sum not exceeding £1,811,100 (including a Supplementary sum of £1,075,000) 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 1927 for Relief arising out of Unemployment.

Question put, and agreed to.

Grants in respect of Unemployment Schemes.

14. That a sum not exceeding £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 1927 for Expenditure in respect of the Services included in the Estimates for Revenue Departments, viz. :—

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<td>Customs and Excise</td>
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<td>Medical Establishments and Services</td>
<td>£452,900</td>
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<td>Fleet Air Arm</td>
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<td>Sec. 1. Shipbuilding, Repairs, Maintenance, &amp;c., Personnel</td>
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<td>£7,427,300</td>
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<td>Naval Armaments</td>
<td>£3,416,400</td>
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<td>Miscellaneous Effective Services</td>
<td>£21,159,100</td>
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<td>Admmistrative Office</td>
<td>£1,220,000</td>
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<td>Non-Effective Services (Naval and Marine), Officers</td>
<td>£8,559,600</td>
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<td>Non-Effective Services (Naval and Marine), Men</td>
<td>£4,510,600</td>
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<td>Civil Supernumerals, Compensation, Allowances, and gratuities</td>
<td>- 849,000</td>
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£36,583,500

Question put, and agreed to.

Army Estimates, 1926–27.

22. That a sum not exceeding £21,159,100 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 1927 for Expenditure in respect of the Army Services (including Ordnance Factories), viz.:

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<td>Territorial Army and Reserve Forces</td>
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<td>Medical Services</td>
<td>386,000</td>
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<td>Educational Establishments</td>
<td>932,000</td>
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<td>Quarterming and Movements</td>
<td>1,049,000</td>
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<td>Supplies, Road Transport, and Remounts</td>
<td>4,012,000</td>
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<td>Clothing</td>
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<td>General Stores</td>
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<td>Works and Engineer Technical Stores</td>
<td>2,345,000</td>
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<td>Miscellaneous Effective Services</td>
<td>1,084,000</td>
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<td>War Office</td>
<td>879,000</td>
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<td>Ordnance Factories</td>
<td>100</td>
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Total: £21,159,100

Question put.

The Committee divided.

Tellers for the Sir Harry Barnston, Yeas, Major Hennessy: 321.
Tellers for the Mr. Barnes, Noes, Mr. Hayes: 133.


23. That a sum not exceeding £2,650,000 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 1927 for Expenditure in respect of the Air Force Services, viz.:

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<td>Half-Pay</td>
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<td>Pensions, and other Non-Effective Services</td>
<td>403,134 19 2</td>
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<td>Ordnance Factories</td>
<td>239,328 6 5</td>
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<td>Auxiliary and Reserve Forces</td>
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<tr>
<td>War Office</td>
<td>248,279,395</td>
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<td>Total Surpluses</td>
<td>£1,157,353 8 5</td>
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<td>Total Deficits</td>
<td>£896,174 16 1</td>
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Net Surplus: £261,178 12 6

And whereas the Lords Commissioners of His Majesty’s Treasury have temporarily authorised the application of so much of the said total surpluses on certain Grants for Air Services as is necessary to make good the said total deficits on other grants for Air Services.

Resolved, That the application of such sums may be sanctioned.—(Secretary Sir Samuel Hoare.)

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 resolved this day.

The House, according to Order, resolved Ways and Means and 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 1927, the sum of £248,279,395 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 Chairman of Ways and Means reported, That the Committee had come to a Resolution.

Ordered, That the Report be received this day.

The Chairman of Ways and Means also acquainted the House that he was directed to move, That the Committee may have leave to sit again.

Resolved, That this House will, this day, again resolve itself into the said Committee.

The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Isle of Man (Customs) Bill;

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time this day.

The Order of the day being read, for taking into consideration the Rating (Scotland) Bill, as amended in the Standing Committee;

Ordered, That the Bill be taken into consideration this day.

The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Prisons (Scotland) Bill;

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time this day.

The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Naval Reserve (Officer) 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 Fortifiers and Feeding Stuff 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 Supreme Court of Judicature of Northern Ireland Bill;

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time this day.

The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Indian and Colonial Divorce Jurisdiction Bill [Lords.]

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time this day.

The Order of the day being read, for receiving the Report from the Committee of Supply of the 22nd day of this instant July;

Ordered, That the Report be received upon Wednesday 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 Wednesday next.

The Order of the day being read, for receiving the Report from the Committee of Supply of the 29th day of this instant July;

Ordered, That the Report be received upon Wednesday next.

The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Leasehold Enfranchisement (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 Engineers 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 Safeguarding of Wages and Hours of Labour 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 Merchandise Marks Amendment Acts (1887 to 1911) Amendment Bill;
Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time this day.

The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Insurance Brokers and Agents (Registration) Bill;
Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time.

The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Venereal Disease Act (1917) Amendment Bill;
Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time upon Thursday next.

The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Blind Persons 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 Offices Regulation 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 Seditious and Blasphemous Teaching to Children 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 Dentists Bill;
Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time this day.

And it being after half-past Eleven of the clock on Monday evening, Mr. Deputy Speaker adjourned the House without Question put, pursuant to the Standing Order, it being then twenty-two minutes after Twelve of the clock on Tuesday morning, till this day.

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, brought from the Lords and referred on the First Reading thereof, the Standing Orders which are applicable thereto have been complied with, viz.:
Ministry of Health Provisional Orders Confirmation (No. 11) Bill (Lords).
Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time to-morrow.

The House proceeded to take into consideration the Amendments made by the Lords to the Bolton Corporation Bill; And the same were twice read, and agreed to.
Ordered, That the Clerk do carry the Bill to the Lords; and acquaint them that this House hath agreed to the Amendments made by their Lordships.

The House proceeded to take into consideration the Amendments made by the Lords to the Manchester Ship Canal (General Powers) Bill (Lords), as amended in the Committee.
Ordered, That Standing Orders 223 and 243 be suspended, and that the Bill be now read the third time.—(The Chairman of Ways and Means.)

The Bill was accordingly read the third time and passed, with Amendments.
Ordered, That the Clerk do carry the Bill to the Lords; and acquaint them that this House hath agreed to the same, with Amendments; to which this House doth desire the concurrence of their Lordships.

The House proceeded to take into consideration the Amendments made by the Lords to the Stoke-on-Trent Corporation Bill; and the same were twice read, and agreed to.
Ordered, That the Bill be read the third time.

The Order of the day being read, for taking into consideration the Amendments made by the Lords to the Great Western Railway Bill;
Ordered, That the said Amendments be taken into consideration to-morrow.

The Order of the day being read, for taking into consideration the Amendments made by the Lords to the London Electric and Metropolitan District Railway Companies Bill;
Ordered, That the said Amendments be taken into consideration to-morrow.

The Order of the day being read, for taking into consideration the Amendments made by the Lords to the Southern Railway Bill;
Ordered, That the said Amendments be taken into consideration to-morrow.
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The Ministry of Health Provisional Orders Confirmation (No. 6) Bill [Lords] was, according to Order, read the third time and passed, with an Amendment.

Ordered, That the Clerk do carry the Bill to the Lords; and acquaint them that this House hath agreed to the same, with an Amendment, to which this House doth desire the concurrence of their Lordships.

Secretary Sir John Gilmore presented a Bill to confirm a Provisional Order under the Private Legislation Procedure (Scotland) Act, 1899, relating to Dundee Corporation: And the same was ordered (under Section 7 of the Act) to be taken into consideration to-morrow.

Greengoak Corporation Order Confirmation Bill.

Secretary Sir John Gilmore presented a Bill to confirm a Provisional Order under the Private Legislation Procedure (Scotland) Act, 1899, relating to Greengoak Corporation: And the same was ordered (under Section 7 of the Act) to be taken into consideration to-morrow.

H.M.S. "Hampshire" (Loss.) Command,—Copy of Official Narrative relative to Colonial Stock Act, 1900.

Mr. Bridgesons presented, by His Majesty's Command,—Copy of Official Narrative relative to the Loss of H.M.S. "Hampshire" on 5th June 1916.

Ordered, That the said Paper do lie upon the Table.


Lord Eversett Percy presented, pursuant to the directions of an Act of Parliament,—Copy of Order in Council, dated 30th July 1926, making Regulations under Section 2 (1) of the Emergency Powers Act, 1920, entitled the Emergency Regulations (No. 4), 1926.

Ordered, That the said Paper do lie upon the Table.

Colonial Stock Act, 1900.

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Mr. M'Cullagh presented,—Return to an Order, dated the 14th day of this instant July, for a Return relative to Colonial Stock Act, 1900.

Ordered, That the said Return do lie upon the Table; and be printed.

Major Tryon presented, pursuant to the directions of an Act of Parliament,—Copy of Regulations, dated 29th July 1926, made by the Minister of Pensions under the War Pensions (Administrative Provisions) Act, 1918, entitled the Special Grants Committee (Appointment of Members) Regulations, 1926.

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 Railway and Canal Commission (Payment into Court) Rules, 1926, dated 21st July 1926.

Sir Richard Barnett reported from the Standing Committee on Scottish Bills, to whom the Burgh Registers (Scotland) 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 Muster of the Proceedings of the Standing Committee be printed.

Ordered, That the Bill, as amended in the Standing Committee, be taken into consideration upon Thursday next; and be printed.

Mr. Speaker acquainted the House, That a Message from His Majesty had been brought from the Lords by one of their Clerks, as followeth:

The Lords have agreed to the Middlemead Middlemead Corporation Bill, with Amendments; to which the Lords desire the concurrence of this House.

The Lords have agreed to the Amendments Petroleum made by this House to the Petroleum Bill [Lords], without any Amendment.

The Lords have agreed to the Amendments Middlemead, made by this House to the Middlemead and Swinton Tramways Bill [Lords], without any Bill [Lords].

Ordered, That the Report do lie upon the Table.

Ordered, That the Sale of Food and Drugs Act (1875) Amendment Bill, be read a second time upon Monday next.

Sir Rowland Blades reported from the Select Committee on Publications and Debates Reports; That they had made Progress in the First Report, matters to them referred, and directed him to make a Report thereof to the House.

Ordered, That the Report do lie upon the No. 118.

Table; and be printed.

Secretary Sir William Joggins-Hicks, at the Emergency 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:—

The continued cessation of work in coal mines on the 26th day of July 1926 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 26th day of July 1926, to declare that a state of emergency exists.

GEORGE R.I.

Mr. Shelton, supported by Major MacAndrew, for Dundee Mr. Ronald Mitchell, and Major Sir Archibald Bill and Long Sinclair, presented a Bill to amend the Law (Scotland) Bill.

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Industry Bill.

A Motion was made, and the Question being put, That the Proceedings on the Mining Industry Bill and on the Isle of Man (Customs) Bill be exempted, at this day's Sitting, from the provisions of the Standing Order (Sittings of the House).—(The Prime Minister)

The House divided.

The Yeas to the Right;

The Noes to the Left.

Tellers for the (Colonel Gibbs).

Yea, "Sir Harry Variston": 298.

Tellers for the (Mr. Parkinson).

Noa, "Mr. Barnes": 119.

So it was resolved in the Affirmative.

The House, according to Order, proceeded to take into further consideration the Mining Industry Bill, as amended in the Standing Committee.

And an Amendment was made to the Bill.

Another Amendment was proposed to be made to the Bill, in p. 9, l. 40, by inserting, at the end thereof, the words,—

"(f) shall provide for the annual publication of the accounts of the new or continued company, or any of the new or continued companies, including particulars as to the amount of coal used for the purpose of any business or operations carried on by a constituent company or in the common interest of the constituent companies and the price charged therefor, and particulars as to the number of persons employed in each grade or class by the new or continued company or any of the new or continued companies, and the aggregate wages paid to each grade or class, such accounts to be published in a form to be prescribed by the Board of Trade."—(Mr. William Adamson.)

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. Parkinson).

Yea, "Mr. Frederick Thomson": 285.

Tellers for the (Mr. Parkinson).

Noa, "Mr. Charles Edwards": 128.

So it was resolved in the Affirmative.

Another Amendment was proposed to be made to the Bill, in p. 10, l. 24, by leaving out the words "every subsequent financial year," and inserting the words "each of the subsequent four financial years"—(Major Sir Granville Wheler),—instead thereof.

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. 10, l. 26, by leaving out the word "one," and inserting the word "five."—(Major Betsy),—instead thereof.

And the Question being put, That the word "one" stand part of the Bill:

The House divided.

The Yeas to the Right;

The Noes to the Left.

Tellers for the (Major Hamilton).

Yea, "Mr. Frederick Thomson": 285.

Tellers for the (Mr. Parkinson).

Noa, "Mr. Charles Edwards": 128.

So it was resolved in the Negative.

Another Amendment was proposed to be made to the Bill, in p. 10, l. 27, by inserting, at the end thereof, the words "after deduction therefrom of mineral rights duty and income tax and, in the case of Scotland, of the amount paid by each person in respect of local rates."—(Sir Alexander Sprot.)

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. 11, l. 18, by leaving out Clause 15.—(Mr. Lee.)

And the Question being proposed, That the words proposed to be left out stand part of the Bill:—The said proposed Amendment was, with leave of the House, withdrawn.

Then another Amendment was made to the Bill.

Another Amendment was proposed to be made to the Bill, in p. 9, l. 37, by inserting, at the end thereof, the words,—

"(3) Where the working of any coal or the working of any coal in the most efficient and economical manner is impeded by the same being included in a mining lease, or by any restrictions, terms, or conditions contained in a mining lease, or otherwise binding on the lessor, or by the absence of any such restrictions, terms, or conditions, a right to withdraw the minerals from the mining lease and to re-lease the same to parties other than the lessee, or to work the same, or otherwise to vary the terms of the mining lease, may, on application for the purpose being made by the lessor and referred to the Railway and Canal Commission under the principal Act, be granted by the Commission in any case where the Commission consider that it is expedient in the national interest that the right applied for should be granted to the applicant."—(Major Sir Granville Wheler.)

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.

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And the Question being proposed, That the words proposed to be left out stand part of the Bill:—The said proposed Amendment was, with leave of the House, withdrawn.

Then another Amendment was made to the Bill.
Another Amendment was proposed to be made to the Bill, in p. 12, l. 11, by inserting, at the end thereof, the words "and that the colliery owners shall maintain and repair the baths and buildings when erected."—(Mr. Spencer.)

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. Charles Edwards]: 122.
Yea, [Mr. Benjamin Smith]: 122.
Tellers for the [Major Cope]: 272.
Noe, [Lori Stanley]: 272.

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 Isle of Man (Customs) Bill was, according to Order, read a second time.

Ordered, That the Bill be committed to a Committee of the whole House for to-morrow.

—(Mr. M'Neil.)

The Order of the day being read, for the Supply, Committee of Supply;

Resolved, That this House will, to-morrow, resolve itself into the said Committee.

The Order of the day being read, for receiving the Report from the Committee on Air Expenditure, 1924–25;

Ordered, That the Report be received to-morrow.

The Order of the day being read, for receiving the Report from the Committee of Ways and Means of the 26th day of this instant July Report.

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 taking into consideration the Rating (Scotland) Bill, as amended in the Standing Committee.

Ordered, That the Bill be taken into consideration to-morrow.

The Order of the day being read, for the Prison and Prisoners of War Bill (Scotland);

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time to-morrow.

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Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time to-morrow.

The Order of the day being read, for the Rating (Scotland) Bill;

Ordered, 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 Naval Reserve (Officers) Bill;

Ordered, That the Bill be taken into consideration to-morrow.

The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Naval Reserve (Officers) 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 Fertilisers and Feeding Stuffs 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 Supreme Court of Judicature of Northern Ireland Bill;

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time to-morrow.

The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Supreme Court of Judicature of Northern Ireland Bill;

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time to-morrow.

The Order of the day being read, for the Indian and Colonial Divorce Jurisdiction Bill [Lords];

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time to-morrow.

The Order of the day being read, for the Indian and Colonial Divorce Jurisdiction Bill [Lords];

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time to-morrow.
The Order of the day being read, for the Committee on Palestine and East Africa Loans [Guarantee];

Resolved, That this House will, to-morrow, resolve itself into the said Committee.

Expiring Laws Continuance Bill;

The Order of the day being read, for the Committee on the Expiring Laws Continuance Bill;

Resolved, That this House will, to-morrow, resolve itself into the said Committee.

Small Holdings and Allotments [Money];

The Order of the day being read, for the Committee on Small Holdings and Allotments [Money];

Resolved, That this House will, to-morrow, resolve itself into the said Committee.

Gas Regulation Act, 1920;

The Order of the day being read, for 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 Dunstable Gas and Water Company, which was presented on the 22nd June and published, be approved.
—(Sir Burton Chadwick.)

The Order of the day being read, for 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 Hadnemoor and District Gas Company, which was presented on the 28th June and published, be approved.—(Sir Burton Chadwick.)

Gas Regulation Act, 1920;

The Order of the day being read, for 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 County Borough of Birkenhead, which was presented on the 29th June and published, be approved.—(Sir Burton Chadwick.)

The Order of the day being read, for taking into consideration the Vinegar Bill, as amended in the Standing Committee;

Ordered, That the Bill be taken into consideration upon Thursday next.

Town Tenants Bill;

The Order of the day being read, for resuming the adjourned Debate on the Question proposed upon the 19th day of February last, That the Town Tenants Bill be now read a second time;

Ordered, That the Debate be further adjourned till to-morrow.

Shops (Hours of Employment) Bill;

The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Shops (Hours of Employment) Bill;

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time to-morrow.

Merchandise Marks Acts (1887 to 1911) Amendment Bill;

The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Merchandise Marks Acts (1887 to 1911) Amendment Bill;

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time to-morrow.

Sedition and Blasphemy Teaching to Children Bill;

The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Sedition and Blasphemy Teaching to Children Bill;

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Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time to-morrow.

The Order of the day being read, for the Dentists Bill, Second Reading of the Dentists 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 eight minutes before Twelve of the clock, till to-morrow.

[No. 113.]

Wednesday, 28th July 1926.

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 Corporation of the Cities of London and Westminster, and by the Metropolitan District Gas Companies Bill; and the Bills to the London Electric and Metropolitan District Railway Companies Bill; And the same were twice read, and agreed to.

Ordered, That the Clerk do carry the Bills to the Lords; and acquaint them that this House hath agreed to the Amendments made by their Lordships.

Ordered, That the House do take into consideration the Amendments made by the Corporation of the City of Middlesbrough Corporation Bill: And the Bills to the London Electric and Metropolitan District Railway Companies Bill; And the same were twice read, and agreed to.

Ordered, That the Clerk do carry the Bills to the Lords; and acquaint them that this House hath agreed to the Amendments made by their Lordships.

Ordered, That the House do take into consideration the Amendments made by the Corporation of the Cities of London and Westminster, and by the Metropolitan District Gas Companies Bill; And the Bills to the London Electric and Metropolitan District Railway Companies Bill; And the same were twice read, and agreed to.

Ordered, That the Clerk do carry the Bills to the Lords; and acquaint them that this House hath agreed to the Amendments made by their Lordships.

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Ordered, That the Clerk do carry the Bills to the Lords; and acquaint them that this House hath agreed to the Amendments made by their Lordships.
Dundee

Order Confirmation Bill

The House, according to Order, proceeded to take into consideration the Dundee Corporation Order Confirmation Bill.

Ordered, That the Bill be read the third time to-morrow.

Greenock

Order Confirmation Bill

The House, according to Order, proceeded to take into consideration the Greenock Corporation Order Confirmation Bill.

Ordered, That the Bill be read the third time to-morrow.

Ministry of Health

Provisional Orders Confirmation (No. 11) Bill [Lords.]

The Ministry of Health Provisional Orders Confirmation (No. 11) Bill [Lords] was, according to Order, read a second time, and committed.

Ordered, That Standing Orders 211 and 226 be suspended, and that the Committee on Unopposed Bills have leave to consider the Bill forthwith.—(The Chairman of Ways and Means.)

Secretary Sir William Joyynson-Hicks presented, by His Majesty's Command.—Copy of Third and Final Report of the Child Adoption Committee.

Ordered, That the said Paper do lie upon the Table.

Treaty Series (No. 18, 1926.)


Treaty Series (No. 19, 1926.)

Copy of Correspondence with the Treasury respecting the reclassification for purposes of Pension of His Majesty's Missions at Prague and Bucharest as First Class and Second Class Missions, respectively, as from 27th April 1926.

Ordered, That the said Papers do lie upon the Table.

Mr. M'Neil presented, pursuant to the directions of an Act of Parliament,—Account showing the Receipts and Expenditure in respect of the High Court of Justice, the Court of Appeal, and the Court of Criminal Appeal during the year ended 31st March 1926.

Ordered, That the said Paper do lie upon the Table.

Mr. Raine reported from the Local Legislation Committee (Section B): That in the case of the Southend-on-Sea Corporation Bill [Lords] as directed by the Instruction of the House of the 9th of July, the Committee had had regard to the provisions of Section 56 of the Public Health Act, 1925, so far as Clause 25 (2) (a) of the Bill was concerned.

Ordered, That the Report do lie upon the Table; and be printed.

Sir Thomas Robinson reported from the Local Legislation Committee (Section A): That in the case of the Newcastle-upon-Tyne Corporation Bill [Lords] they had examined the allegations contained in the Report of 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.

Colonel Henderson reported from the Select Committee on Estimates, that they had made further Progress in the matters to them referred, 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.

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 Finance Bill, Finance Bill, without any Amendment.

The Lords have agreed to the Chartered Associations (Protection of Names and Uniform forms) Bill, without any Amendment.

The Lords have agreed to the London County Council (Money) Bill, without any Amendment.

The Lords have agreed to the Dover Harbour Bill, with Amendments; to which the Lords desire the concurrence of this House.

The Lords have agreed to the Swindon Corporation Bill, with Amendments; to which the Lords desire the concurrence of this House.

The Lords have agreed to the Metropolitan Railway Bill, with Amendments; to which the Lords desire the concurrence of this House.

The Lords have agreed to the Manchester Ship Canal (Staff Superannuation) 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 Scottish Widows' Fund and Life Assurers Society Bill [Lords] without any Amendment.

The Lords have passed a Bill, intituled An Act to regulate the sale on commission of horticultural produce; to which the Lords desire the concurrence of this House.

The Lords have passed a Bill, intituled An Act to repeal the enactments providing for the protection of Wild Birds and to substitute other provisions therefor; to which the Lords desire the concurrence of this House.

The Lords have passed a Bill, intituled An Act to amend certain enactments relating to mental defectives; to which the Lords desire the concurrence of this House.

The Lords have passed a Bill, intituled An Act to confer a Provisional Order under the Private Legislation Procedure (Scotland) Act, 1899, relating to Kilmarnock Corporation; Bill [Lords]...
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to which the Lords desire the concurrence of this House.

The Lords have passed a Bill, intituled An Act to confirm a Provisional Order under the Private Legislation Procedure (Scotland) Act, 1899, relating to the Church of Scotland Ministers and Scottish University Professors' Widows' Fund (Amendment) Order, to be taken into consideration to-morrow.

The Kilmarnock Corporation 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 Church of Scotland Ministers' and Scottish University Professors' Widows' Fund (Amendment) 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 Chairman of Ways and Means reported from the Committee on the Ministry of Health Provisional Orders Confirmation (No. 11) Bill [Lords], That they had considered the Orders therein contained; that the said Orders ought to be confirmed; and that they had directed him to report the Bill, with 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 Ministry of Health Provisional Orders Confirmation (No. 11) Bill [Lords], That they had considered the Orders therein contained; that the said Orders ought to be confirmed; and that they had directed him to report the Bill, with an Amendment, to the House.

Ordered, That the Report do lie upon the Table; and be printed.

Mr. Barr, supported by Mr. William Murdoch Adamson, Mr. Buchanan, Mr. Duncan Graham, Mr. Johnston, Mr. Kirkwood, Mr. Neil Maclean, Mr. Rossjohn Mitchell, Dr. Shields, Mr. Stephen, Mr. Westwood, and Mr. Wright, presented a Bill to provide for the better government of Scotland: And the same was ordered to be read a second time upon Monday next; and to be printed.

Mr. Neville Chamberlain, supported by Secretary Sir John Gilmore, Mr. Gwinnnes, and Sir Kingsley Wood, presented a Bill to promote the provision of housing accommodation for agricultural workers and for persons whose economic condition is substantially the same as that of such workers, and the improvement of such accommodation, by authorising the giving of financial assistance towards the reconstruction and improvement of houses and other buildings: 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 Report of Air Expenditure, 1924-25, and on the Isle of Man (Customs) Bill be exempted, at this day's Sitting, from the provisions of the Standing Orders.

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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 1927, for Expenditure in respect of the Services included in Class II of the Estimates for Civil Services, viz.:—

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<tbody>
<tr>
<td>Royal Palaces</td>
<td>£71,550</td>
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<tr>
<td>Overseas</td>
<td>£11,635</td>
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<tr>
<td>Houses of Parliament Buildings, Great Britain</td>
<td>£51,110</td>
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<td>Miscellaneous Legal Business</td>
<td>£56,720</td>
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<tr>
<td>Housing</td>
<td>£6,550</td>
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<tr>
<td>Mail Improvement</td>
<td>£5</td>
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<tr>
<td>Survey of Great Britain</td>
<td>£60,545</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>Falmouth Harbour</td>
<td>£21,000</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>Rates on Government Property</td>
<td>£1,066,748</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>Works and Buildings in Ireland</td>
<td>£55,290</td>
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</table>

Total: £1,425,408

Class II.

6. That a sum not exceeding £8,314,823 be granted to His Majesty, to complete the sum necessary to defray the charge which will come in course of payment during the year ending on the 31st day of March 1927 for Expenditure in respect of the Services included in Class II of the Estimates for Civil Services, viz.:—

<table>
<thead>
<tr>
<th>Description</th>
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<tbody>
<tr>
<td>House of Lords Office</td>
<td>£77,866</td>
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<td>House of Commons</td>
<td>£234,561</td>
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<tr>
<td>Home Office</td>
<td>£2,675,000</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>Foreign Office</td>
<td>£1,982,757</td>
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<tr>
<td>Colonial Office</td>
<td>£93,968</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>Dominions Office</td>
<td>£30,559</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>Privy Council Office</td>
<td>£8,950</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>Board of Trade</td>
<td>£311,191</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>Australian Zinc Concentration</td>
<td>£228,823</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>Department of Overseas Trade</td>
<td>£2,940</td>
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<tr>
<td>Mercantile Marine Services</td>
<td>£237,821</td>
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<td>Bankruptcy Department of the Board of Trade</td>
<td>£5</td>
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<tr>
<td>Ministry of Agriculture and Fisheries</td>
<td>£79,128</td>
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<tr>
<td>Best Sugar, Subsidy, Great Britain</td>
<td>£2,675,000</td>
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<tr>
<td>Forestry Commission</td>
<td>£335,000</td>
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<tr>
<td>Ministry of Transport</td>
<td>£71,773</td>
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<tr>
<td>Charity Commission</td>
<td>£24,889</td>
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<td>Government Chemist</td>
<td>£40,785</td>
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<td>Civil Service Commission</td>
<td>£4,911</td>
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<td>Excise and Audit Department</td>
<td>£101,290</td>
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<td>Friendly Societies Registry</td>
<td>£30,350</td>
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<td>Government Actuary</td>
<td>£4,477</td>
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<tr>
<td>Board of Control, England excluding a Supplementary sum of £33,000</td>
<td>£278,647</td>
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<tr>
<td>The Mint</td>
<td>£5,000</td>
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<tr>
<td>National Debt Office</td>
<td>£31,290</td>
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<tr>
<td>Public Record Office</td>
<td>£2,900</td>
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<td>Public Works Loan Commission</td>
<td>£5</td>
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<tr>
<td>Registrar General’s Office, England</td>
<td>£84,300</td>
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<tr>
<td>State Management Districts</td>
<td>£90</td>
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<tr>
<td>Stationery and Printing</td>
<td>£968,244</td>
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<tr>
<td>Office of Commissioners of Crown Lands</td>
<td>£18,992</td>
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<tr>
<td>Office of Works and Public Buildings</td>
<td>£378,450</td>
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<tr>
<td>Secret Service</td>
<td>£100,000</td>
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<td>Post Office</td>
<td>£1,950</td>
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Scotland:

<table>
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<tr>
<th>Description</th>
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<tr>
<td>Board of Agriculture</td>
<td>£433,111</td>
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<tr>
<td>Fishery Board</td>
<td>£43,294</td>
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<tr>
<td>General Board of Control</td>
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<td>Registrar General’s Office</td>
<td>£16,043</td>
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Ireland:

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<tr>
<td>Northern Ireland Services</td>
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Total: £8,314,823

Class III.

7. That a sum not exceeding £6,152,136 be granted to His Majesty, to complete the sum necessary to defray the charge which will come in course of payment during the year ending on the 31st day of March 1927 for Expenditure in respect of the Services included in Class III of the Estimates for Civil Services, viz.:—

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<tr>
<td>Law Charges</td>
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<tr>
<td>Miscellaneous Legal Expenses</td>
<td>£7,517</td>
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<tr>
<td>Supreme Court of Judicature, &amp;c.</td>
<td>£243,400</td>
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<tr>
<td>Leland Registry</td>
<td>£60,635</td>
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<tr>
<td>Public Trusts</td>
<td>£5</td>
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<tr>
<td>County Courts</td>
<td>£5</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>Police, England and Wales</td>
<td>£3,444,977</td>
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<tr>
<td>Prisons, England and Wales</td>
<td>£477,975</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>Reformatory and Industrial Schools, England and Wales</td>
<td>£130,560</td>
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<tr>
<td>Bread, Brood, and Lard, London Asylums</td>
<td>£45,925</td>
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Class IV.

8. That a sum not exceeding £1,557,782 be granted to His Majesty, to complete the sum necessary to defray the charge which will come in course of payment during the year ending on the 31st day of March 1927 for Expenditure in respect of the Services included in Class IV of the Estimates for Civil Services, viz.:—

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<th>Description</th>
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<tr>
<td>British Museum</td>
<td>£183,429</td>
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<tr>
<td>National Gallery</td>
<td>£15,713</td>
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<tr>
<td>National Portrait Gallery</td>
<td>£5,966</td>
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<tr>
<td>Wallace Collection</td>
<td>£8,048</td>
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<tr>
<td>London Museum</td>
<td>£2,945</td>
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<tr>
<td>Imperial War Museum</td>
<td>£9,466</td>
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<tr>
<td>Scientific Investigation, &amp;c.</td>
<td>£105,446</td>
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<tr>
<td>Science and Industrial Research</td>
<td>£242,877</td>
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<tr>
<td>Universities and Colleges, Great Britain and Intermediate Education, Wales</td>
<td>£981,799</td>
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Scotland:

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<th>Description</th>
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<tr>
<td>National Gallery</td>
<td>£5,482</td>
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<tr>
<td>National Library</td>
<td>£5</td>
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</table>

Total: £2,102,135

Class V.

9. That a sum not exceeding £4,286,822 be granted to His Majesty, to complete the sum necessary to defray the charge which will come in course of payment during the year ending on the 31st day of March 1927 for Expenditure in respect of the Services included in Class V of the Estimates for Civil Services, viz.:—

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<tr>
<th>Description</th>
<th>Amount</th>
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<tbody>
<tr>
<td>Diplomatic and Consular Services</td>
<td>£923,585</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>Colonial Services</td>
<td>£234,909</td>
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<tr>
<td>Dominions Services</td>
<td>£39,993</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>Overseas Settlement</td>
<td>£625,060</td>
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<tr>
<td>Middle Eastern Services</td>
<td>£2,584,000</td>
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</table>

Total: £5,507,782
sum necessary to defray the charge which will come in course of payment during the year ending on the 31st day of March 1927 for Relief arising out of Unemployment.

Grants in respect of Unemployment Schemes.

14. That a sum not exceeding £800,000 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 1927 for Grants to Local Authorities, &c., in England and Wales, in respect of Capital Works approved as Unemployment Schemes.

Export Credits.

15. That a sum not exceeding £5 be granted to His Majesty, to complete the sum necessary to defray the charge which will come in course of payment during the year ending on the 31st day of March 1927 to provide for guarantees in respect of Exports of goods wholly or partly produced or manufactured in the United Kingdom.

16. That a sum not exceeding £5 be granted to His Majesty, to complete the sum necessary to defray the charge which will come in course of payment during the year ending on the 31st day of March 1927 for the Salaries and Expenses in connection with Shipping Liquidation.

Shipping Liquidation.

17. That a sum not exceeding £90 be granted to His Majesty, to complete the sum necessary to defray the charge which will come in course of payment during the year ending on the 31st day of March 1927 for Claims in respect of Capital Works approved as Unemployment Schemes.

Coal Mining Industry Subvention.

18. That a sum not exceeding £250,000 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 1927 for Subvention in Aid of Wages in the Coal Mining Industry.

19. That a sum not exceeding £250,000 (including a Supplementary sum of £250,000) 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 1927 for a Subvention in Aid of Wages in the Coal Mining Industry.

Revenue Departments Estimates, 1926-27.

20. That a sum not exceeding £7,284,032 be granted to His Majesty, to complete the sum necessary to defray the charge which will come in course of payment during the year ending on the 31st day of March 1927 for Expenditure

<table>
<thead>
<tr>
<th>Class VI.</th>
<th>Amount</th>
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<tr>
<td>1. Superannuation and Retired Allowances</td>
<td>£90,042</td>
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<tr>
<td>2. Repayment of War Pensions, &amp;c.</td>
<td>£26,216</td>
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<tr>
<td>3. Old Age Pensions</td>
<td>£17,904,074</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>4. Workmen's, Orphans', and Old Age Contributory Pensions</td>
<td>£2,000,000</td>
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<tr>
<td>5. Ministry of Pensions</td>
<td>£35,004,900</td>
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<tr>
<td>7. Miscellaneous Expenses</td>
<td>£7,716</td>
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<tr>
<td>8. Royal Commissions, &amp;c.</td>
<td>£1,875,000</td>
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<tr>
<td>9. National Savings Committee</td>
<td>£4,286,822</td>
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<tr>
<td>10. Imperial War Graves Commission</td>
<td>£17,904,074</td>
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<th>Class VII.</th>
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<tr>
<td>1. Ministry of Health</td>
<td>£10,617,048</td>
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<td>2. Ministry of Labour</td>
<td>£7,170,135</td>
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<td>3. National Insurance, Audit Department</td>
<td>£110,900</td>
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<td>4. Friendly Societies' Deficiency</td>
<td>£8,000</td>
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| Total | £36,071,749 |

Unemployment Grants.

12. That a sum not exceeding £5,000 be granted to His Majesty, to complete the sum necessary to defray the charge which will come in course of payment during the year ending on the 31st day of March 1927 for Grants to Local Authorities, &c., in Great Britain for assistance in carrying out approved Schemes of useful work to relieve Unemployment.

Relief of Unemployment.

13. That a sum not exceeding £1,611,100 (including a Supplementary sum of £1,075,000) 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 1927 for Expenditure
in respect of the Services included in the Estimates for Revenue Departments, viz. —

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<th>Service</th>
<th>Amount</th>
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<tr>
<td>1. Customs and Excise</td>
<td>£2,120,000</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>2. Inland Revenue</td>
<td>£1,164,652</td>
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<tr>
<td>Total</td>
<td>£3,284,652</td>
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Navy Estimates, 1926-27.

21. That a sum not exceeding £2,583,500 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 1927 for Expenditure in respect of the Navy, viz. —

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<th>Service</th>
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<tr>
<td>2. Inland Revenue</td>
<td>£1,164,652</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>3. Medical and Allied Services</td>
<td>£527,000</td>
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<tr>
<td>4. Fleet Air Arm</td>
<td>£91,000</td>
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<tr>
<td>5. Educational Services</td>
<td>£1,181,800</td>
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<tr>
<td>6. Scientific Services</td>
<td>£435,300</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>7. Naval and Marine Services</td>
<td>£455,500</td>
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<td>8. Sec. 1. Shipbuilding, Repairs,</td>
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<tr>
<td>Maintenance, &amp;c., Personal</td>
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<tr>
<td>Sec. 2. Shipbuilding, Repairs,</td>
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<tr>
<td>Maintenance, &amp;c., Material</td>
<td>£7,462,000</td>
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<tr>
<td>9. Naval Armaments</td>
<td>£2,436,400</td>
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<tr>
<td>11. Miscellaneous Effective Services</td>
<td>£971,400</td>
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<tr>
<td>12. Admiralty Office</td>
<td>£1,220,000</td>
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<tr>
<td>13. Non-Effective Services (Naval and</td>
<td>£2,859,000</td>
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<tr>
<td>Marine)</td>
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</tr>
<tr>
<td>14. Non-Effective Services (Naval and</td>
<td></td>
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<tr>
<td>Marine), Misc.</td>
<td>£2,859,000</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>15. Civil Superannuation, Compensation,</td>
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<tr>
<td>Allowances, and Gratuities</td>
<td>£449,000</td>
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<tr>
<td>Total</td>
<td>£5,353,200</td>
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Army Estimates, 1926-27.

22. That a sum not exceeding £21,159,100 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 1927 for Expenditure in respect of the Army Services (including Ordnance Factories), viz.: —

<table>
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<tr>
<th>Service</th>
<th>Amount</th>
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<tbody>
<tr>
<td>2. Territorial Army and Reserve</td>
<td>£3,392,000</td>
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<tr>
<td>Forces</td>
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<tr>
<td>3. Medical Services</td>
<td>£986,000</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>4. Educational Establishments</td>
<td>£932,000</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>5. Quartering and Movements</td>
<td>£1,669,000</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>6. Supplies, Road Transport,</td>
<td>£5,510,000</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>and Remounts</td>
<td></td>
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<tr>
<td>7. Clothing</td>
<td>£1,109,000</td>
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<tr>
<td>8. General Stores</td>
<td>£891,000</td>
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<td>9. Warwicks and Engineer</td>
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<tr>
<td>Technical Stores</td>
<td>£2,445,000</td>
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<td>11. Miscellaneous Effective</td>
<td>£1,644,000</td>
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<tr>
<td>Services</td>
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<tr>
<td>12. War Office</td>
<td>£790,000</td>
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<tr>
<td>—— Ordinance Factories</td>
<td>£150</td>
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<tr>
<td>Total</td>
<td>£21,159,100</td>
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23. That a sum not exceeding £2,650,000 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 1927 for Expenditure in respect of the Air Force Services, viz. :—

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<tr>
<th>Service</th>
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<tbody>
<tr>
<td>5. Medical Services</td>
<td>£209,000</td>
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<tr>
<td>6. Educational Services</td>
<td>£422,000</td>
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<tr>
<td>7. Auxiliary and Reserve Forces</td>
<td>£406,000</td>
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<tr>
<td>8. Civil Aviation</td>
<td>£422,000</td>
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<tr>
<td>9. Meteorological and Miscellaneous Effective Services</td>
<td>£135,000</td>
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The First Resolution was read a second time:

An Amendment was proposed to be made thereto by leaving out £102,609, and inserting £102,509 —(Mr. William Adamson), instead thereof.

And the Question being put, That £102,609 stand part of the Resolution:—It was resolved in the Affirmative.

And the Resolution was agreed to.

The Second Resolution was read a second time:

An Amendment was proposed to be made thereto by leaving out £3,680,242, and inserting £3,680,342 —(Mr. Westwood), instead thereof.

And the Question being put, That £3,680,342 stand part of the Resolution:—It was resolved in the Affirmative.

And the Resolution was agreed to.

The Third Resolution was read a second time:

An Amendment was proposed to be made thereto by leaving out £1,958,345, and inserting £1,958,245 —(Mr. Johnston), instead thereof.

And the Question being put, That £1,958,245 stand part of the Resolution:—It was resolved in the Affirmative.

The House divided.

The Yeas to the right;

The Noses to the left.

Tellers for the Yeas, Mr. Frederick Thomas, 315.

Capt. Bower: 129.

Tellers for the Noses, Mr. Charles Edwards:

So it was resolved in the Affirmative.

And it being ten of the clock, Mr. Mr. Speaker Speaker proceeded, pursuant to Standing Order No. 15, to put forthwith the Question necessary (pursuant to Standing Order No. 15) to dispose of the Report of the Resolution under consideration.

And the Question being put, That this House doth agree with the Committee in the said Resolution:—It was resolved in the Affirmative.

Mr. Speaker then proceeded to put forthwith the Question:—That this House doth agree with the Committee in the outstanding Resolution 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, 1926-27.

Class I.:

And the Question being put, That this House doth agree with the Committee in the outstanding Resolution reported in respect of Class I. of the Civil Services Estimates:—It was resolved in the Affirmative.
17 Geo. V. 28th July.

And the Question being put, That this House doth agree with the Committee in the outstanding Resolution reported in respect of Class II. of the Civil Services Estimates:—It was resolved in the Affirmative.

Class III.

And the Question being put, That this House doth agree with the Committee in the outstanding Resolution reported in respect of Class III. of the Civil Services Estimates:—It was resolved in the Affirmative.

Class IV.

And the Question being put, That this House doth agree with the Committee in the outstanding Resolution reported in respect of Class IV. of the Civil Services Estimates:—It was resolved in the Affirmative.

Class V.

And the Question being put, That this House doth agree with the Committee in the outstanding Resolution reported in respect of Class V. of the Civil Services Estimates:—It was resolved in the Affirmative.

Class VI.

And the Question being put, That this House doth agree with the Committee in the outstanding Resolution reported in respect of Class VI. of the Civil Services Estimates:—It was resolved in the Affirmative.

Class VII.

And the Question being put, That this House doth agree with the Committee in the outstanding Resolution reported in respect of Class VII. of the Civil Services Estimates:—It was resolved in the Affirmative.

Navy Estimates, 1926-27.

And the Question being put, That this House doth agree with the Committee in the outstanding Resolution reported in respect of the Navy Estimates:

The House divided.
The Yeas to the Right;
The Noes to the Left.

Tellers for the [Captain Margesson, 325.]
Yea,
Lord Stanley;
Tellers for the [Mr. Benjamin Smith, 119.]
Noo,
Mr. Haynes;
So it was resolved in the Affirmative.

Army Estimates, 1926-27.

And the Question being put, That this House doth agree with the Committee in the outstanding Resolution reported in respect of the Army Estimates (including Ordnance Factories Estimate):

The House divided.
The Yeas to the Right;
The Noes to the Left.

Tellers for the [Major Hennessy, 326.]
Yea,
Captain Margesson;
Tellers for the [Mr. Parkinson, 130.]
Noo,
Mr. Barnes;
So it was resolved in the Affirmative.

Air Estimates, 1926-27.

And the Question being put, That this House doth agree with the Committee in the outstanding Resolution reported in respect of the Air Force Estimates:

The House divided.
The Yeas to the Right;
The Noes to the Left.

Tellers for the [Captain Margesson, 325.]
Yea,
Lord Stanley;
Tellers for the [Mr. Benjamin Smith, 119.]
Noo,
Mr. Haynes;
So it was resolved in the Affirmative.

Revenue Departments Estimates, 1926-27.

And the Question being put, That this House doth agree with the Committee in the outstanding Resolutions reported in respect of the Revenue Departments Estimates:—It was resolved in the Affirmative.

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.

Relief of Unemployment.

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 Relief of Unemployment:—It was resolved in the Affirmative.

Grants in respect of Unemployment Schemes.

And the Question being put, That this House doth agree with the Committee in the outstanding Resolution reported in respect of the Estimate for Grants in respect of Unemployment Schemes:—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.

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.

Railway (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 (War) Agreements Liquidation:—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.
The said Resolution, being read a second time, was agreed to.

The Lord Advocate reported from the Committee of Ways and Means of the 26th day of March, 1926, a Resolution which was read, as followeth:

That towards making good the Supply Consolidated Fund granted to His Majesty for the service of the year ending on the 31st day of March 1927, the sum of £248,270,395 be granted out of the Consolidated Fund of the United Kingdom.

The said Resolution, being read a second time, was agreed to.

Ordered, That a Bill be brought in upon the Consolidated Fund, to apply a sum out of the Consolidated Fund to the service of the year ending on the thirty-first day of March, one thousand nine hundred and twenty-four, and twenty-seven, and to appropriate the surplus 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 House, according to Order, resolved itself into a Committee on the Isle of Man (Customs) Bill.

Schedule.

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And whereas the Lords Commissioners of His Majesty's Treasury have temporarily authorised the application of so much of the said total surpluses on certain Grants for Air Services as is necessary to make good the said total deficits on other grants for Air Services. That the application of such sums be sanctioned.

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Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time this day.

The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Forestry 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 Judicial Committee 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 Rating (Scotland) Bill,
as amended in the Standing Committee;
Ordered, That the Bill be taken into consideration this day.

The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Prisons (Scotland) Bill;
Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time this day.

The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Naval Reserve (Officers) 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 Fertilisers and Feeding Stuffs 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 Supreme Court of Judicature of Northern Ireland Bill;
Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time this day.

The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Indian and Colonial Divorce Jurisdiction Bill [Lords];
Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time this day.

The Order of the day being read, for the Committee on Palestine and East Africa Loans [Guarantee];
Resolved, That this House will, this day, resolve itself into the said Committee.

And it being after half-past Eleven of the clock on Wednesday evening, Mr. Deputy Speaker adjourned the House without Question put, pursuant to the Standing Order, it being then a quarter of an hour after Twelve of the clock, on Thursday morning, till this day.
The House met at a quarter of an hour before Three of the clock.

PRAYERS.

The House, pursuant to the Order of the House of the 26th day of this instant July, proceeded to take into consideration the Amendments made by the Lords to the Dover Harbour Bill: And the same were twice read, and agreed to.

Ordered, That the Clerk do carry the Bill to the Lords; and acquaint them that this House hath agreed to the Amendments made by their Lordships.

The House, pursuant to the Order of the House of the 26th day of this instant July, proceeded to take into consideration the Amendments made by the Lords to the Metropolitan District Railway Companies 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 26th day of this instant July, proceeded to take into consideration the Amendments made by the Lords to the Swindon 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 House of the 26th day of this instant July, proceeded to take into consideration the Amendments made by the Lords to the Berwick-upon-Tweed Corporation (Free-men) Bill [Lords]: 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 Eastbourne Corporation Bill [Lords] was read the third time and passed, with Amendments.

Ordered, That the Clerk do carry the Bill to the Lords; and acquaint them that this House hath agreed to the same, with Amendments; to which this House doth desire the concurrence of their Lordships.

The London County 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 Rhondda Urban District Council 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 Worcester Corporation Bill [Lords] was read the third time and passed, with Amendments.

Ordered, That the Clerk do carry the Bill to the Lords; and acquaint them that this House hath agreed to the Amendments made by their Lordships.

The House, according to Order, proceeded to take into consideration the Amendments made by the Lords to the Great Western Railway Bill: And the same were twice read, and agreed to.

Ordered, That the Clerk do carry the Bill to the Lords; and acquaint them that this House hath agreed to the Amendments made by their Lordships.

The House, according to Order, proceeded to take into consideration the Amendments made by the Lords to the London Electric and Metropolitan District Railway Companies Bill: And the same were twice read, and agreed to.

Ordered, That the Clerk do carry the Bill to the Lords; and acquaint them that this House hath agreed to the Amendments made by their Lordships.

The House, according to Order, proceeded to take into consideration the Amendments made by the Lords to the Southern Railway Bill: And the same were twice read, and agreed to.

Ordered, That the Clerk do carry the Bill to the Lords; and acquaint them that this House hath agreed to the Amendments made by their Lordships.

The House, according to Order, proceeded to consider the Amendments made by the Lords to the Southern Railway Bill: And the same were twice read, and agreed to.

Ordered, That the Clerk do carry the Bill to the Lords; and acquaint them that this House hath agreed to the Amendments made by their Lordships.

The Dundee Corporation Order Confirmation Bill was, according to Order, read the third time and passed.

Ordered, That the Clerk do carry the Bill to the Lords, and desire their concurrence.

The Greenock 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 House, according to Order, proceeded to take into consideration the Church of Scotland Ministers' and Scottish University Professors' Widows' Fund (Amendment) Order Confirmation Bill [Lords].

Ordered, That the Bill be read the third time to-morrow.

The House, according to Order, proceeded to take into consideration the Kilmarnock Corporation Order Confirmation Bill [Lords].

Ordered, That the Bill be read the third time to-morrow.

Secretary Sir William Jardine-Hicks presented, by His Majesty's Command,—Copy of the Report of the Royal Commission on the control of the Excise, and working of Mombasa (Kikulunzi) Harbour, Kenya Colony.

Ordered, That the said Paper do lie upon the Table.

The Wild Birds Protection Bill [Lords] was read the first time, and ordered to be read a second time upon Monday next; and to be printed.

The Horticultural Produce (Sales on Commission) Bill [Lords] was read the first time, and ordered to be read a second time upon Monday next; and to be printed.

The Mental Deficiency Bill [Lords] was read the first time, and ordered to be read a second time upon Monday next; and to be printed.

Mr. Speaker acquainted the House, That a Message had been brought from the Lords by one of their Clerks, as followeth:

The Lords have agreed to the Land Drainage Provisonal Order (No. 2) Bill, without any Amendment.

The Lords have agreed to the Heather Burning (Scotland) Bill, with Amendments, to which the Lords desire the concurrence of this House.

The Lords have agreed to the Criminal Justice (Increase of Penalties) Bill (changed to Penal Servitude Bill), with Amendments, to which the Lords desire the concurrence of this House.

The Lords have agreed to the Bristol Corporation Bill, with Amendments; to which the Lords desire the concurrence of this House.

The Lords have agreed to the Amendment to the Ministry of Health Provisional Orders Confirmation (No. 6) Bill [Lords], without any Amendment.

The Lords have agreed to the Amendments made by this House to the Margate Corporation Bill [Lords], without any Amendment.

The Lords have agreed to the Amendments made by this House to the Reading University Bill [Lords], without any Amendment.

The Lords have passed a Bill, intituled Sale of Foods (Weights and Measures) Act, 1890, and of the Money received, expended, and borrowed, and Securities created under the said Act to 31st March 1926, with a Copy of the Report of the Pacific Cable Board.

Ordered, That the said Papers do lie upon the Table.

Mr. Speaker acquainted the House, that Mr. M'Neil, by His Majesty's Command,—Copy of Report of the Commissioners of His Majesty's Customs and Excise for the year ended 31st March 1926, being the Seventieth Report relating to the Customs and the Sixty-ninth Report relating to the Excise.

Mr. M'Neil also presented, pursuant to the directions of an Act of Parliament,—Account showing the Money issued from the Consolidated Fund under the provisions of the Pacific Cable Act, 1901, and of the Money received, expended, and borrowed, and Securities created under the said Act to 31st March 1926, with a Copy of the Report of the Pacific Cable Board.

Ordered, That the said Papers do lie upon the Table.

Sir Philip Cunliffe-Lister presented, by His Majesty's Command,—Copy of Report of the Imperial Shipping Committee on the control of shipping.

Ordered, That the said Paper do lie upon the Table.

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including agricultural and horticultural produce; to which the Lords desire the concurrence of this House.

Sir Edmund Turton reported from Standing Committee B, to whom the Merchandise Marks (Imported Goods) Bill was referred: That they had gone through the Bill, and made Amendments thereto.

Ordered, That the Report do lie upon the Table; and be printed.

Ordered, That the Minutes of the Proceedings of the Standing Committee be printed.

Bill 160.

Ordered, That the Bill, as amended in the Standing Committee, be taken into consideration upon Monday next; and be printed.

Sir Robert Sanders reported from Standing Committee C, to whom the Police Pensions 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.

Bill 176.

Ordered, That the Bill, as amended in the Standing Committee, be taken into consideration upon Monday next; and be printed.

Standing Committee C, to whom the Police Pensions 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.

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Ordered, That the Report do lie upon the Table; and be printed.

Ordered, That the Bill, not amended in the Standing Committee, be taken into consideration upon Monday next.

Ordered, That the Amendments made by the Lords to the Home Counties (Moore and Licensing) Bill, be taken into consideration upon Monday next; and be printed.

Secretary Sir William Jowsem-Hicks, supported by Captain Hacking, presented a Bill to amend subsection (2) of section eleven of the Workmen’s Compensation Act, 1925: 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 other Government Business have precedence this day of the Business of Supply, and that the Proceedings on the Expiring Laws Continuance Bill be exempted, at this day’s Sitting, from the provisions of the Standing Order (Sittings of the House)—(The Prime Minister);

The House divided.

The Yeas to the Right;

The Noes to the Left.

Mr. Deputy Speaker resumed the Chair; and the Chairman of Ways and Means reported, That the Committee had gone through the Bill, and directed him to report the same, without Amendment.

Ordered, That the Bill be now read the third time.—The Bill was accordingly read the third time and passed.

Ordered, That the Clerk do carry the Bill to the Lords, and desire their concurrence.

The Order of the day being read, for the Supply, Committee of Supply:

Resolved, That this House will, upon Monday next, resolve itself into the said Committee.
The Order of the day being read, for the Committee of Ways and Means; 

Resolved, That this House will, upon Monday next, resolve itself into the said Committee.

The Order of the day being read, for taking into consideration the Electricity (Supply) Bill, as amended in the Standing Committee; 

Ordered, That the Bill be taken into consideration upon Monday next.

The Order of the day being read, for taking into consideration the Burgh Registers (Scotland) Bill, as amended in the Standing Committee; 

Ordered, That the Bill be taken into consideration upon Tuesday next.

The Order of the day being read, for taking into consideration the Vinegar Bill, as amended in the Standing Committee; 

Ordered, That the Bill be taken into consideration upon Wednesday the 17th day of November next.

The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Blasphemy Laws (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 Insurance Brokers and Agents (Registration) Bill; 

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time upon Monday next.

The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Venereal Disease Act (1917) Amendment 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 Insurance Brokers and Agents (Registration) Bill. 

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time upon Monday next.
The House met at Eleven of the clock.

PRAYERS.

The House, pursuant to the Order of the House of the 26th day of this instant July, proceeded to take into consideration the Amendments made by the Lords to the Bill as amended in the Committee, and provided amended prints shall have been deposited.—(The Chairman of Ways and Means.)

The Bill accordingly proceeded to take the Bill, as amended in the Committee, into consideration.

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 Bill be now taken into consideration provided amended prints shall have been deposited.—(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 same, with Amendments; to which this House doth desire the concurrence of their Lordships.

Ordered, That in the case of the Shropshire, Worcestershire, and Staffordshire Electric Power Bill (Lords), Standing Orders 84, 214, 215, and 239 be suspended, and that the Bill be now taken into consideration provided amended prints shall have been deposited.—(The Chairman of Ways and Means.)

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The Bill was accordingly read the third time and passed, with Amendments.

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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.)

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Air Force (Constitution) Act, 1917, dated respectively 30th June 1926 and 1st July 1926, further amending, in certain respects, the Regulations appended to His Majesty's Order of 26th July 1924, as amended by subsequent Orders, and included in a volume entitled the King's Regulations and Air Council Instructions for the Royal Air Force.

Copy of Order under the Air Force (Constitution) Act, 1917, dated 8th July 1926, further amending, in certain respects, the Regulations appended to His Majesty's Order of 25th July 1924, as amended by subsequent Orders, and, in particular, an Order dated 2nd October 1925, and included in a volume entitled the King's Regulations and Air Council Instructions for the Royal Air Force.

Copy of Order amending, in certain respects, the number of Experiments on Living Animals to be laid before this House, a Return showing the number of Experiments on Living Animals during the year 1925, under licences granted during the year 1925, under licences granted under the Act 39 and 40 Vict., cap. 77, distinguishing the nature of the Experiments in continuation of Parliamentary Paper, No. 154, of Session 1924-25.—(Captain Hutchinson.)

Ordered, That the said Papers do lie upon the Table.

The following Papers, pursuant to the directions of an Act of Parliament, were laid upon the Table under the Order of the House, as amended by subsequent Orders, providing for the government, discipline, pay and allowances of officers and men of the Auxiliary Air Force and for other matters relating thereto.

Ordered, That the said Paper do lie upon the Table.

The Lord Advocate presented, pursuant to the directions of an Act of Parliament,—Account 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 for 1925 and of the Fund for the Banks for Savings for the year ended 30th November 1925 and the Fund for Friendly Societies for the year ended 24th November 1925.

Ordered, That the said Paper do lie upon the Table.

Copy of the Episcopal Pensions Measure, Church of England Assembly (Powers) Act, 1919, No. 125.

Copy of Twenty-Fifth Report by the Ecclesiastical Committee, being a Report on the Episcopal Pensions Measure, 1926, passed by the Church of England Assembly (Powers) Act, 1919.

Copy of the Benefices (Ecclesiastical Duties) Church of England Assembly (Powers) Act, 1919, No. 126.

Copy of Twenty-Sixth Report by the Ecclesiastical Committee, being a Report on the Benefices (Ecclesiastical Duties) Measure, 1926, passed by the Church of England Assembly (Powers) Act, 1919.

Copy of Twenty-Sixth Report by the Ecclesiastical Committee, being a Report on the Benefices (Ecclesiastical Duties) Measure, 1926, passed by the Church of England Assembly (Powers) Act, 1919.

Ordered, That the said Papers be printed.

Resolved, That an humble Address be presented to His Majesty, that He will be graciously pleased to give directions that there be laid before this House, a Return showing the number of Experiments on Living Animals during the year 1925, under licences granted under the Act 39 and 40 Vict., cap. 77, distinguishing the nature of the Experiments in continuation of Parliamentary Paper, No. 154, of Session 1924-25.—(Captain Hutchinson.)

Ordered, That the Amendments made by the Heather Lords to the Heather Burning (Scotland) Bill be taken into consideration upon Monday next; and be printed.

Bill 182.

Mr. Speaker acquainted the House, That a Message had been brought from the Lords by the Lords—

The Lords have agreed to the Amendments made by the Heather Lords to the Heather Burning (Scotland) Bill, without any Amendment.

Ordered, That the said Papers be printed.

SECRETARY.

The Lords have agreed to the Amendments made by the Heather Lords to the Heather Burning (Scotland) Bill, without any Amendment.

Ordered, That the said Papers be printed.

Mr. Speaker acquainted the House, That a Message had been brought from the Lords by the Lords—

The Lords have agreed to the Amendments made by the Heather Lords to the Heather Burning (Scotland) Bill, without any Amendment.

Ordered, That the said Papers be printed.

SECRETARY.

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SECRETARY.
30th July—2nd August, 1926.

(4) of the said Act.—(Secretary Sir William Jowson-Hicks.)

An Amendment was proposed to be made to the Question, in l. 2, by inserting, after "1926," the words "other than Regulations 21 and 22."—(Sir Henry Steven.)

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

Yea.

Mr. Charles Edwards

Mr. Hayes

Mr. Viscount Ormon

Mr. Frederick Thomas

So it passed in the Negative.

Another Amendment was proposed to be made to the Question, in l. 2, by inserting, after "1926," the words "other than Regulation 33."—(Mr. Kelly.)

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

Yea.

Mr. Charles Edwards

Mr. Hayes

Mr. Frederick Thomas

Mr. Harry Barnston

So it passed in the Negative.

Another Amendment was proposed to be made to the Question, in l. 3, by adding, at the end thereof, the words "and to the substitution in Regulation 14, 11. 1 and 16, of the word "shall" for the word "may."—(Mr. Batey.)

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

Yea.

Mr. Charles Edwards

Mr. Hayes

Mr. Frederick Thomas

Mr. Harry Barnston

So it passed in the Negative.

And the Main Question being again proposed:—And a Debate arising thereupon;

Whereupon Commander Eyres-Monsell rose in his place and claimed to move, That the Question be now put.

And the Question being put, That the Question be now put;

The House divided.

The Yeas to the Right;

The Noes to the Left.

Tellers for the

Yea.

Mr. Frederick Thomas

Mr. Hayes

Mr. Harry Barnston

So it was resolved in the Affirmative.

And the Question being accordingly put;

The House divided.

The Yeas to the Right;

The Noes to the Left.

Tellers for the

Major Hemmsey,

Mr. Frederick Thomas

Mr. Hayes

Mr. Benjamin Smith

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 26th day of July 1926, shall continue in force, subject, however, to the provisions of Section 2 (4) of the said Act.

The Order of the day being read, for taking Roman Catholic Relief 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 Wages and Hours of Labour Bill;

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time upon Monday next.

Whereupon Mr. Speaker adjourned the House without Question put, pursuant to Standing Order No. 3, it being then twenty minutes after Four of the clock, till Monday next.

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Monday, 2nd August 1926.

The House met at a quarter of an hour before Three of the clock.

PRAYERS.

The House, pursuant to the Order of the 26th day of July last, proceeded to take into consideration the Amendments made by the Lords to the Gas Light and Coke Company 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 26th day of July last, proceeded to take into consideration the Amendments made by the Lords to the Wolseley 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 said Paper be printed.

Mr. Hope, 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.

Secretary Sir William Joynson-Hicks presented, by His Majesty's Command,—Copy of Memorandum showing the extent to which the Factories (No. 2) Bill differs from the existing Law.

Secretary Sir William Joynson-Hicks also presented,—Return to an Address, dated the 30th day of July last, for a Return relative to Experiments on Living Animals.

Ordered, That the said Papers do lie upon the Table; and that the said Return be printed.

Mr. M'Neill presented, pursuant to the direction of several Acts of Parliament,—Account of the Receipts and Expenditure of the Commissioners of the Royal Hospital, Chelsea (for Services other than those voted for in the Governor-General of India in Council, with the sanction of the Secretary of State in the Governor-General of India in Council, with the sanction of the Secretary of State in the Governor-General of India in Council, with the sanction of the Secretary of State in that part of India subject to the Governor-General of India in Council, to the Auditor-General thereon.

Account showing all the sums which have been received into the Treasury Chest, and which have been paid out of the same, between the 1st April 1925 and the 31st March 1926, with the Report of the Comptroller and Auditor General thereon.

Ordered, That the said Papers do lie upon the Table; and that the said Return be printed.

Earl Winterton presented, pursuant to the directions of the Acts of Parliament,—Copy of Amendment of the Devolution Rules made by the Governor-General of India in Council, with the sanction of the Secretary of State in Council, under Sections 43a and 124a of the Government of India Act.

Ordered, That the said Paper do lie upon the Table.

The following Paper, pursuant to the directions of an Act of Parliament, was laid upon the Table by the Clerk of the House:

Accounts of the Commissioners of Church Temporalities in Wales for the year 1925, and from 24th September 1924 to 31st December 1925, in respect of transactions under the Welsh Church Act, 1914, and the Welsh Church (Temporalities) Act, 1919, with the Report of the Comptroller and Auditor-General thereon.

Ordered, That the said Paper be printed.

Mr. Speaker acquainted the House, That a Message had been brought from the Lords by one of their Clerks, as followeth:

Then the Lords have agreed to the Adoption of Children Bill, with Amendments; to which Bill the Lords desire the concurrence of this House.

Ordered, That the Amendments made by the Lords to the Adoption of Children Bill, be Children Bill, taken into consideration to-morrow; and be Bill 184, printed.

Secretary Sir William Joynson-Hicks, M.P., Factories (No. 2) Bill presented to the Lords; and acquaint them that this House doth desire the concurrence of the Lords to the Adoption of Children Bill, with Amendments; to which this House doth desire the concurrence of the Lords.

Ordered, That the said Papers do lie upon the Table; and that the said Return be printed.

A Motion was made, and the Question being Agreed to, That the Proceedings in Committee on the Bill, be Small Holdings and Allotments (Money) be exempted, at this day's Sitting, from the provisions of the Standing Order (Settings of the House)—(The Prime Minister); the House divided.

The Yeas to the Right;

The Noes to the Left.

Silent: Teller for the Yeas, Mr. Frederick Thomson, 144. Teller for the Noes, Mr. Thomas Kinnedy, 50. So it was resolved in the Affirmative.

The House, according to Order, resolved Consolidated Fund ( Appropriation) Bill, into a Committee on the Consolidated Fund ( Appropriation) Bill.

(In the Committee.)

Chambers No. 1 to No. 7 agreed to. Schedules A, B and C 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 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 WILSON, Speaker.

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Small Holdings and Allotments (Money.)

The House, according to Order, resolved itself into a Committee on Small Holdings and Allotments [Money].

(In the Committee.)

Question again proposed, That it is expedient to authorize the payment, out of moneys provided by Parliament, of contributions towards losses incurred by Counties and County Boroughs in providing small holdings and of Councils of Counties in providing cottage holdings, in pursuance of any Act of the present Session to amend the Small Holdings and Allotments Acts, 1908 to 1919.

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.

Police Pensions Bill.

The House, according to Order, proceeded to take into consideration the Police Pensions 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.

Lead Paint (Protection against Poisoning) Bill.

The Order of the day being read, for taking into consideration the Lead Paint (Protection against Poisoning) Bill, as amended in the Standing Committee;

Ordered, That the Bill be taken into consideration 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.

Housing (Rural Workers) Bill.

The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Housing (Rural Workers) Bill;

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time to-morrow.

Wild Birds Protection Bill (Lords);

The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Wild Birds Protection 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 Horticultural Produce (Sales on Commission) Bill [Lords];

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time to-morrow.

The Order of the day being read, for the Mental Deficiency Bill (Scotland) Bill [Lords];

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time to-morrow.

The Order of the day being read, for the Supreme Court of Judicature of Northern Ireland Bill;

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time upon Tuesday the 9th day of November next.
The Order of the day being read, for the
Second Reading of the Indian and Colonial
Divorce Jurisdiction Bill [Lords]:—
Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time upon Tuesday the 9th day of November next.

Palestine and
East Africa Loans
 Guarantees
Resolved, That this House will, upon Tuesday the 9th day of November next, resolve itself into the said Committee.

Gas
Regulation Act, 1920.
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 Grays and Tilbury Gas Company, which was presented on the 8th July and published, be approved. —(Sir Burton Chadwick.)

Gas
Regulation Act, 1920.
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 South Suburban Gas Company, which was presented on the 12th July and published, be approved.—(Sir Burton Chadwick.)

Gas
Regulation Act, 1920.
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 15th July and published, be approved.—(Sir Burton Chadwick.)

Electricity
(Utility) Acts.
Resolved, That the Special Order made by the Electricity Commissioners under the Electricity Supply Acts, 1882 to 1922, and confirmed by the Minister of Transport under the Electricity (Supply) Act, 1919, in respect of the Urban District of Gainsborough, in the parts of Lincolnshire, on which the Order relates, in accordance with the conditions contained in the lease or in the Order under the immediately succeeding section as the case may be, be approved.—(Sir Burton Chadwick.)

Resolved, That the draft of a Special Order proposed to be made by the Board of Trade under Section 10 of the Electricity (Supply) Act, 1920, in respect of the Urban District of Llantrisant, in the County of Glamorgan, which was presented on the 1st day of July 1926, be approved.—(Sir Burton Chadwick.)

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The Order of the day being read, for the
Second Reading of the Indian and Colonial Divorce Jurisdiction Bill [Lords]:—
Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time upon Tuesday the 9th day of November next.

The Order of the day being read, for the
Committee on Palestine and East Africa Loans...

Resolved, That this House will, upon Tuesday the 9th day of November next, resolve itself into the said Committee.

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(Utility) Acts.
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Tuesday, 3rd August 1926.

The House met at a quarter of an hour before Three of the clock.

PRAYERS.

Warble Fly Committee.

Mr. Guinness presented, by His Majesty's Command, Copy of Report of the Warble Fly Committee.

British Sugar (Subsidy) Act, 1925.

Mr. Guinness also presented, pursuant to the directions of an Act of Parliament, Copy of Statements in the form of balance sheets transmitted to the Minister of Agriculture and Fisheries under the British Sugar (Subsidy) Act, 1925, by companies which manufactured in Great Britain in 1925-26 sugar or molasses from Home-grown beet. Section 1. Factories.

Ordered, That the said Papers do lie upon the Table; and that the Paper relative to the British Sugar (Subsidy) Act, 1925, be printed.

Army (Territorial Army).

Secretary Sir Laing Worthington-Evans presented, pursuant to the directions of an Act of Parliament, Copy of Scheme made by the Army Council for the Establishment and Constitution of an Association for the County of Wiltshire under the Territorial and Reserve Forces Act, 1907.

Ordered, That the said Paper do lie upon the Table.

Mr. Neville Chamberlain presented, Return to an Order, dated the 2nd day of this instant August, for a Return relative to Persons in Receipt of Poor Law Relief in England and Wales.

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Mr. Neville Chamberlain also presented, pursuant to the directions of an Act of Parliament, Copy of the Central Valuation Committee (Constitution) Scheme, 1926, dated 3rd August 1926, made by the Minister of Health under the Rating and Valuation Act, 1925, for the constitution of a Central Valuation Committee.

Ordered, That the said Paper do lie upon the Table; and that the said Return be printed.

Mr. Attorney General presented, by His Majesty's Command, Copy of 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 for 1925.

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 Solicitors' Remuneration Act Solicitors' General Order, 1926, prescribing the remuneration of Solicitors in connection with the extinguishment of memorial incidents under the Law of Property Act, 1922.

Ordered, That there be laid before this House a Return showing, as 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 March 1891, 1892, 1893, 1911, 1921, 1922, and 1926, respectively; and the total number of persons directly benefiting from the expenditure for the year 1925, together with similar particulars for Scotland in continuation of Parliamentary Paper, No. 205, of Session 1924-25.—(Sir Evelyn Cecil.)

Mr. Speaker acquainted the House, That a Message from the Lords had been brought from the Lords by the Lords, one of their Clerks, as followeth:—

The Lords have agreed to the Consolidated Fund (Appropriation) Bill, without any Amendment.

The Lords have agreed to the Isle of Man (Customs) Bill, without any Amendment.

The Lords have agreed to the Mining Industry (Mineral Bill, with Amendments: to which the Lords Industry Bill, desires the concurrence of this House.

The Lords have agreed to the Amendment made by this House to the Southend-on-Sea Corporation Bill [Lords], without any Amendment.

The Lords have agreed to the Amendment made by this House to the Ministry of Health Provisional Orders Confirmation (No. 11) Bill [Lords], without any Amendment.

The Lords have agreed to the Provisional Orders Confirmation (No. 11) Bill [Lords].
The House. p Ut, That the Proceedings on Government Business of A Motion was made, and the Question being put, That the Bill be now read a second time;

And the Question being put, That the Bill be now read a second time;

An Amendment was proposed to be made to the Bill, by leaving out the word "now," and, at the end of the Question, adding the words "upon this day three months."—(Mr. Grenville.)

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 [Captain Viscount Curzon, 213.  Lord Stanly: ]

Tellers for the [Mr. Parkinson, Noes, Mr. Riley: ] 71.

So 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 Lead Paint to take into consideration the Lead Paint (Protection against Poisoning) Bill, as amended in the Standing Committee.

A Clause was offered to be added to the Bill (Protection against Poisoning) Bill, as amended in the Standing Committee.

The house, according to Order, proceeded Lead Paint to take into consideration the Lead Paint (Protection against Poisoning) Bill, as amended in the Standing Committee.

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. Parkinson, ] 74.

Tellers for the [Mr. James Hudson : ] 198.  Lord Stanly: 

So it was passed in the Negative.

An Amendment was proposed to be made to the Bill, in p. 1, l. 17, by inserting, after the word "the," the word "monthly."—(Dr. Wake.)

And the Question being put, That the word "monthly" be there inserted in the Bill.—The said proposed Amendment was, with leave of the House, withdrawn.

Then an Amendment was made to the Bill.

Another Amendment was proposed to be made to the Bill, in p. 1, l. 17, by inserting, after the word "examination," the words "by a certifying factory surgeon."—(Dr. Wake.)

And the Question being put, That those words be there inserted in the Bill.—It passed in the Negative.
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Another Amendment was proposed to be made to the Bill, in p. 2, l. 14, by leaving out the words "woman or."—(Sir Robert Newman.)

And the Question being put, That the words "woman or" stood 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.

Secretary Sir John Gilmour reported from the Committee on Small Holdings and Allotments (Money), a Resolution; which was read, as follows:

That it is expedient to authorise the payment, out of moneys provided by Parliament, of contributions towards losses incurred by Councils of Counties and County Boroughs in providing small holdings, and of Councils of Counties in providing cottage holdings, in pursuance of any Act of the present Session to amend the Small Holdings and Allotments Acts, 1908 to 1919.

The said Resolution, being read a second time, was agreed to.

Adoption of Children Bill.

The House, according to Order, proceeded to take into consideration the Amendments made by the Lords to the Adoption of Children 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 Amendments made by the Lords to the Mining Industry Bill be now taken into consideration; and be printed.

The House accordingly proceeded to take the said Amendments into consideration.

The Lords' Amendment, in p. 5, l. 38, after "property," insert "or securities:" the 1st Amendment, being read a second time, and the object of the Amendment being to carry out the intentions of the Commons, the same was agreed to.

Then the remaining Lords' Amendments, being read a second time, were agreed to.

Ordered, That the Clerk do carry the Bill to the Lords; and acquaint them that this House hath agreed to the Amendments made by their Lordships.

Ordered, That the Bill be taken into consideration upon Tuesday the 9th day of November next.

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time upon Tuesday the 9th day of November next.

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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 Moseley, which was presented on the 14th July and published, be approved.—(Mr. Arthur Michael Samuel.)

Electricity (Supply) Acts, 1882 to 1922, and confirmed by the Minister of Transport under the Electricity (Supply) Act, 1919, in respect of the Urban Districts of Denholme, Queenbury, Shelf, and Southowram, all in the West Riding of the County of York, which was presented on the 12th day of July 1926, be approved.—(Colonel Moore-Brabazon.)

Ordered, That the Special Order made by the Electricity Commissioners under the Electricity (Supply) Acts, 1882 to 1922, and confirmed by the Minister of Transport under the Electricity (Supply) Act, 1919, in respect of the Urban District of Bawtry, in the Administrative County of East Suffolk, which was presented on the 13th day of July 1926, be approved.—(Colonel Moore-Brabazon.)

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 Roman Catholic Relief (Scotland) Bill, as amended in the Standing Committee;

Ordered, That the Bill be now read the third time.

The Order of the day being read, for the Industrial School Fees Bill; 321

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time upon Thursday the 9th day of November next.

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time upon Tuesday the 9th day of November next.

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time upon Monday the 9th day of November next.

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Labour Bill.

The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Labour Bill.
Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time upon Tuesday the 9th day of November next.

Dentists Bill.

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 Tuesday the 9th day of November next.

Regulation of Offices Bill.

The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Regulation of Offices Bill.

Dentists 1887 to 1911 Amendment Bill.

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time upon Tuesday the 9th day of November next.

Wages and Hours of Labour Bill.

The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Wages and Hours of Labour Bill.
Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time upon Tuesday the 9th day of November next.

Safeguarding of Wages and Hours of Labour Bill.

The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Safeguarding of Wages and Hours of Labour Bill.
Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time upon Tuesday the 9th day of November next.

Blind Persons Bill.

The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Blind Persons Bill.
Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time upon Tuesday the 9th day of November next.

Wages and Hours of Labour Bill.

The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Wages and Hours of Labour Bill.
Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time upon Tuesday the 9th day of November next.

Blasphemy Laws (Amendment) Bill.

The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Blasphemy Laws (Amendment) Bill.
Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time upon Tuesday the 9th day of November next.

Insurance Brokers and Agents (Registration) Bill.

The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Insurance Brokers and Agents (Registration) Bill.
Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time upon Tuesday the 9th day of November next.

Blind Persons Bill.

The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Blind Persons Bill.
Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time upon Tuesday the 9th day of November next.

Office Regulation Bill.

The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Office Regulation Bill.
Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time upon Tuesday the 9th day of November next.

Merchanthandise Marks Acts (1887 to 1911) Amendment Bill.

The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Merchandine Marks Acts (1887 to 1911) Amendment Bill.
Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time upon Tuesday the 9th day of November next.

Denises Bill.

The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Denises Bill.
Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time upon Tuesday the 9th day of November next.
payment of a daily allowance to Engine Room ratings placed in charge of the machinery of small craft.

Weights and Measures Acts.

Copy of Order in Council under the Weights and Measures Acts, dated 29th July 1926, entitled the Weights and Measures (Verification and Stamping Fees) Order, 1926.

Ordered, That the said Papers do lie upon the Table.

Dangerous Drugs Act, 1920.

Secretary Sir William Jyonson-Hicks presented, pursuant to the directions of several Acts of Parliament, —Copy of Regulations, dated 29th July 1926, made by the Secretary of State under the Dangerous Drugs Act, 1920, entitled the Dangerous Drugs Regulations, 1926.

Ordered, That the said Paper do lie upon the Table.

Public Expenditure (Present and Pre-War.)

Mr. McNeill presented, by His Majesty's Command, —Copy of Memorandum on Present and Pre-War Expenditure, with particulars of Government Staffs at certain dates.

Copy of Order in Council under the Education Act, 1921, —Copy of Regulations for Secondary Schools, 1926, dated 27th July 1926; and

Ordered, That the said Papers do lie upon the Table; and that the said Return be printed.

Gas Regulation Act, 1920.

Sir Philip Owen-Jefferies presented, pursuant to the directions of an Act of Parliament, —Copy of Order of Council under the Gas Regulation Act, 1920, on the application of the Mayor, Aldermen, and Citizens of the City of Salford.

Ordered, That the said Paper do lie upon the Table.

Board of Education (Regulations.)

Lord Eustace Percy presented, pursuant to the directions of an Act of Parliament, —Copies of Regulations made by the Board of Education under the Education Act, 1921, —

(1) the Regulations for Secondary Schools, 1926, dated 19th July 1926;

(2) the Regulations for Further Education, 1926, dated 27th July 1926; and

(3) the Regulations for the Training of Teachers, 1926, dated 29th July 1926.

Ordered, That the said Paper do lie upon the Table.

London Traffic Act, 1924.


Copy of Provisional Regulations made by the Minister of Transport under the London Traffic Act, 1924, entitled—

(1) the London Traffic (Restricted Streets) (Route No. 154) Provisional Regulations, 1926, dated 30th July 1926;

(2) the London Traffic (Restricted Streets) Amendment (No. 4) Provisional Regulations, 1926, dated 3rd August 1926.

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Mr. Speaker reported, That the House, at the desire of the Lords authorized by virtue of His Majesty’s Commission, had been at the House of Peers, where a Commission under the Great Seal was read, giving, declaring, and notifying the Royal Assent to the several Acts and the Measure therein mentioned; and that the Lords thereby authorized had declared the Royal Assent to the said Acts and Measure, as follow:

1. Finance Act, 1926.
2. Appropriation Act, 1926.
3. Land Drainage Act, 1926.
5. Chartered Associations (Protection of Names and Uniforms) Act, 1926.
6. Isle of Man (Customs) Act, 1926.
7. Mining Industry Act, 1926.
8. Adoption of Children Act, 1926.
9. Heather Burning (Scotland) Act, 1926.
11. Midwives and Maternity Homes Act, 1926.
13. Ministry of Health Provisional Orders Confirmation (No. 4) Act, 1926.
14. Ministry of Health Provisional Orders Confirmation (No. 5) Act, 1926.
15. Ministry of Health Provisional Orders Confirmation (No. 6) Act, 1926.
16. Ministry of Health Provisional Orders Confirmation (No. 7) Act, 1926.
17. Ministry of Health Provisional Orders Confirmation (No. 8) Act, 1926.
18. Ministry of Health Provisional Orders Confirmation (No. 9) Act, 1926.
19. Ministry of Health Provisional Orders Confirmation (No. 10) Act, 1926.
20. Ministry of Health Provisional Orders Confirmation (No. 11) Act, 1926.
22. Ministry of Health Provisional Order Confirmation (Haddington Extension) Act, 1926.
23. Tramways Provisional Order Act, 1926.
24. Land Drainage Provisional Order Confirmation (No. 2) Act, 1926.
27. Greenock Corporation Order Confirmation Act, 1926.
28. Church of Scotland Ministers’ and Scottish University Professors’ Widows’ Fund (Amendment) Order Confirmation Act, 1926.
29. Kilmarnock Corporation Order Confirmation Act, 1926.
31. Teignmouth and Shaldon Bridge Act, 1926.
32. Chorley Corporation Act, 1926.
33. Kidderminster and Stourport Electric Tramway Act, 1926.
35. Mynyddllyn Urban District Council Act, 1926.
36. Mexborough and Swinton Tramways Act, 1926.
37. Bolton Corporation Act, 1926.
38. Scottish Widows’ Fund and Life Assurance Society’s Act, 1926.
39. London County Council (Money) Act, 1926.
40. Colwyn Bay Urban District Council Act, 1926.
41. Margate Corporation Act, 1926.
42. West Hampshire Water Act, 1926.
43. Manchester Ship Canal (General Powers) Act, 1926.
44. University of Reading Act, 1926.
45. Guildford Corporation Act, 1926.
46. Middlesbrough Corporation Act, 1926.
47. Dover Harbour Act, 1926.
48. Great Western Railway Act, 1926.
49. London Electric and Metropolitan District Railway Companies Act, 1926.
50. Manchester Ship Canal (Staff Superannuation) Act, 1926.
51. Metropolitan Railway Act, 1926.
52. Southern Railway Act, 1926.
53. Swindon Corporation Act, 1926.
54. Berwick-upon-Tweed Corporation (Free men) Act, 1926.
55. Eastbourne Corporation Act, 1926.
56. Rhondda Urban District Council Act, 1926.
57. Worcester Corporation Act, 1926.
58. London County Council (General Powers) Act, 1926.
59. Bristol Corporation Act, 1926.
60. Stoke-on-Trent Corporation Act, 1926.
61. Newcastle-upon-Tyne and Gateshead Corporations (Bridge) Act, 1926.
64. Southend-on-Sea Corporation Act, 1926.
65. Gas Light and Coke Company’s Act, 1926.
66. Wolverhampton Corporation Act, 1926.

Clergy Pensions Measure, 1926.

And the Question being again proposed, Adjournment. That this House do now adjourn.

And it being Five of the clock, Mr. Speaker adjourned the House without Question put, pursuant to the Resolution of the House of the 3rd day of this instant August, till Tuesday the 9th day of November next, pursuant to the Resolution of the House of this day.
17 Geo. V.

4th August—30th August

STANDING COMMITTEES.

Distribution by Mr. Speaker, pursuant to Standing Order No. 47, of Bills committed to a Standing Committee.

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Given at Our Court at Balmoral, this Twenty-fifth day of August, in the year of our Lord One thousand nine hundred and twenty-six, and in the Seventeenth year of Our Reign.

GOD SAVE THE KING.

[No. 119.]

Monday, 30th August 1926.

The House met at a quarter of an hour before Three of the clock.

PRAYERS.

The following Papers, presented by His Majesty's Command during the Summer Adjournment, were delivered to the Librarian (Adjournment, pursuant to Standing Order No. 95):

- Copy of Agreement respecting Facilities to be given to Merchant Seamen for the Treatment of Venereal Disease. Signed at Brussels, lst December 1924. British Ratification deposited, 21st August 1925.
- Copy of Notes exchanged between the Treaty Series United Kingdom and Italy for the Reciprocal Recognition of Proof Marks. London, 24th June 1926.
- Copy of Convention between the United Kingdom and the United States of America respecting the rights of the Governments of the two Countries and of their respective nationals in part of the former German Protectorate of Togoland. Signed at London, 10th February 1925. Ratifications exchanged at London, 8th July 1926.
- Copy of Notes exchanged between the Treaty Series United Kingdom and the Serb-Croat-Slovene Kingdom to regulate the Commercial Relations between the two Countries. Belgrade, 18th June 1926.
Copy of Forty-fourth Annual Report of the Fishery Board for Scotland for the year 1925.

Copy of Statement showing the Staffs employed in Government Departments on 1st July 1926, compiled from Returns furnished to the Treasury.


Copy of Report of the Committee relative to the Safeguarding of Industries, on Hosiery.

Copy of Return, showing details of Membership, Income, Expenditure, and Funds of Registered Trade Unions with 10,000 or more members in the years 1924 and 1925.

Copy of Eighteenth Abstract of Labour Statistics of the United Kingdom.


Copy of Fifth Interim Report of the Inter-departmental Committee appointed to survey the Prices of Building Materials.


Ordered, That the said Papers do lie upon the Table.

Sir Samuel Hoare presented, pursuant to the directions of an Act of Parliament,—Copy of Order under the Air Force (Constitution) Act, 1917, further amending in certain respects the Regulations appended to His Majesty's Order of 25th July 1924, as amended by subsequent Orders, and included in a volume entitled the King's Regulations and Air Council Instructions for the Royal Air Force.

Ordered, That the said Paper do lie upon the Table.

Major Tryon presented, pursuant to the directions of an Act of Parliament,—Copy of Regulations, dated 20th August 1926, made by the Minister of Pensions under the War Pensions Act, 1921, entitled the Commutation (Ministry of Pensions) Amendment Regulations, 1926.

Ordered, That the said Paper do lie upon the Table.

Major Hennessy presented, pursuant to the directions of an Act of Parliament,—Copy of Statement relating to the employment of Ex-Service Men in Government Offices on 1st July 1919 and 1st July 1926, compiled from Returns furnished to the Treasury.

Ordered, That the said Paper do lie upon the Table.

Mr. M'Neill presented, by His Majesty's Command,—Copy of Statement showing the Staffs employed in Government Departments on 1st July 1926, compiled from Returns furnished to the Treasury.

Ordered, That the said Paper do lie upon the Table.

Mr. Guinness presented, pursuant to the directions of an Act of Parliament,—Copy of Statement relating to the employment of Ex-Service Men in Government Offices on 1st July 1919 and 1st July 1926, compiled from Returns furnished to the Treasury.

Ordered, That the said Paper do lie upon the Table.

Captain Hacking presented, pursuant to the directions of an Act of Parliament,—Copy of Amended Rules for Hyde Park, dated 11th August 1826, made in connection with the Regulations contained in the First Schedule of the Parks Regulation Act, 1872.

Ordered, That the said Paper do lie upon the Table.

Earl Norton presented, pursuant to the directions of an Act of Parliament,—Copy of Amendments of the Devolution Rules made by the Governor-General of India in Council, with the sanction of the Secretary of State in Council, under Sections 45a and 129a of the Government of India Act.

Copy of Amendment of the Devolution Rules made by the Governor-General of India in Council, with the sanction of the Secretary of State in Council, under Sections 45a and 129a of the Government of India Act.

Copy of Amendments of the Electoral Rules of the Legislative Assembly and of the Legislative Councils of Madras, Bombay, Bengal, and the United Provinces made by the Governor General of India in Council, with the sanction of the Secretary of State in Council, under Sections 64, 72a, and 129a of the Government of India Act.

Copy of Amendment of the Electoral Rules made by the Governor-General of India in Council, with the sanction of the Secretary of State in Council, under Sections 64 and 129a of the Government of India Act.

Copy of Amendment of the Electoral Rules of the Legislative Assembly made by the Governor-General of India in Council, with the sanction of the Secretary of State in Council, under Sections 64 and 129a of the Government of India Act.

Ordered, That the said Papers do lie upon the Table.

Lord Eustace Percy presented, pursuant to the directions of several Acts of Parliament,—Copy of Order in Council, dated 23rd August 1926, making Regulations under Section 2 (1) of the Emergency Powers Act, 1920, entitled the Emergency Regulations (No. 6), 1926.

Copies of Orders in Council under the Naval and Marine Day and Pensions Act, 1946, dated 10th August 1926, approving Memorials of the Lords Commissioners of the Admiralty praying sanction to—

(1) the payment of Flag Allowance to either the Commander or Lieutenant-Commander appointed for executive duties to a Ship bearing a Flag or Broad Pendant;

(2) the discretionary payment of Machinery Allowance to certain Engineer Officers.

Copy of Order in Council under the Merchant Shipping Act, 1906, dated 10th August 1926, approving for the registration as British Ships of vessels in the service of the Government of the Colony of the Straits Settlements.

Ordered, That the said Papers do lie upon the Table.
Col. Ashley presented, pursuant to the directions of several Acts of Parliament,—
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—

(1) parts of the Counties of Gloucester and Warwick;
(2) the Urban Districts of Barking, Mile End, Richmond, Woolwich, Deptford, Southwark, and part of the Urban District of Sowerby, the Rural District of Todmorden, and the Parishes of Norland and Upper Greeland, in the Rural District of Halifax, all in the County of York;
(3) the Parish of Mortlake, in the Rural District of Reigate, in the County of Surrey;
(4) the Urban Districts of Salemore and Kingsbridge and part of the Rural District of Kingsbridge, in the County of Devon;
(5) the Parish of Uphill, in the Rural District of Axbridge, in the County of Somerset;
(6) part of the Rural District of the Isle of Wight;
(7) the Urban Districts of Whitechurch and Ellersmore and the Rural Districts of Whitechurch and Ellersmore, in the County of Salop, and the Rural District of Malpas, in the County of Chester;
(8) the Urban District of Herne Bay and part of the Rural District of Blean, in the County of Kent, and for other purposes;
(9) the Urban District of Nantwich and part of the Rural District of Nantwich, in the County of Chester.

Copies of Provisional Regulations made under the London Traffic Act, 1924,—
(1) dated 20th August 1924, entitled the London Traffic (Restricted Streets) Amendment (No. 5) Provisional Regulations, 1926;
(2) dated 24th August 1924, entitled the London Traffic (Restricted Streets) Amendment (No. 6) Provisional Regulations, 1926.

Copy of Report respecting the proceedings under the Railway Regulation Act, 1893, relative to the Hours of Labour of Railway Servants during the year ended 27th July 1926.

Mr. Neville Chamberlain presented, pursuant to the directions of several Acts of Parliament,—
Copies of Provisional Regulations, dated 26th July 1926, entitled the National Health Insurance (Deposit Contributors) Amendments Regulations (No. 2), 1926.

Copy of the County of Southampton (Milton Urban District) Confirmation Order, 1926, made under the Local Government Act, 1888.

Secretary Sir Laming Worthington-Evans presented, pursuant to His Majesty's Command,—
Copy of List of Exceptions to the Army Regulations as to Pay, Non-effective Pay, and Allowances sanctioned during the year 1925–26.

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:


Return to the Lord Chancellor of the number Lunacy 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 30th June 1926.

Ordered, That the Paper relative to Industrial Assurance be printed.

Secretaries Sir William Joynson-Hicks, at the Emergency 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.

The continued cessation of work in coal mines on the 25th day of August 1926 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 25th day of August 1926, to declare that a state of emergency exists.

Resolved, That this House do meet to-morrow, at Eleven of the clock.—(Mr. Chancellor of the Exchequer.)

A Motion was made, and the Question being proposed, That the Regulations made by His Majesty in Council under the Emergency Powers Act, 1920, by Order dated the 25th day of August 1926, shall continue in force, subject, however, to the provisions of Section 2 (4) of the said Act.—(Secretaries Sir William Joynson-Hicks.)

Mr. Speaker called the attention of the House to the disorderly conduct of Mr. John Jones, Member for Silvertown, and, pursuant to Standing Order No. 20, ordered him to withdraw immediately from the House during the remainder of this day's sitting, but Mr. Jones persisted in disorderly conduct. Whereupon Mr. Speaker named him for disregarding the authority of the Chair.

A Motion was made, and the Question being put, That Mr. John Jones be suspended from the service of the House.—(Secretary Sir William Joynson-Hicks;)

The House divided.

The Yeas to the Right;
The Noes to the Left.

Tellers for the "Sir Harry Barnston, Yes, Major Hennessy;''
"Mr. Westwood, No."

So it was resolved in the Affirmative. 235. 53.
An Amendment was proposed to be made to the Question, in 1. 2, by inserting, after "1926," the words "other than Regulations 31 and 22."—(Sir Henry Slesser.)

And the Question being put, That those words be there inserted;
The House divided.
The Yeas to the Right;
The Noses to the Left;
Tellers for the (Mr. Parkinson, Yeas, Captain Margesson : 232.
Mr. Haynes : 91.
Tellers for the (Major Cope, Noses, Captain Margesson : 232.
Mr. Haynes : 91.
So it passed in the Negative.

Another Amendment was proposed to be made to the Question, in 1. 2, by inserting, after "1926," the words "other than Regulation 33."—(Mr. Kelly.)

And the Question being put, That those words be there inserted;
The House divided.
The Yeas to the Right;
The Noses to the Left;
Tellers for the (Mr. Parkinson, Yeas, Captain Viscount Curzon, Captain Margesson : 232.
Mr. Haynes : 91.
Tellers for the (Major Cope, Noses, Captain Viscount Curzon : 232.
Mr. Haynes : 91.
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 25th day of August 1926, shall continue in force, subject, however, to the provisions of Section 2 (4) of the said Act.

The Order of the day being read, for taking Electricity into consideration the Electricity (Supply) Bill, (Supply) Bill, as amended in the Standing Committee;

Ordered, That the Bill be taken into consideration upon Tuesday the 9th day of November next.

The Order of the day being read, for the Horticultural Produce (Sales on Commission) Bill (Lords);

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time upon Tuesday the 8th day of November next.

The Order of the day being read, for the Naval Reserve (Officers) (Officers) Bill;

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time upon Tuesday the 9th day of November next.

The Order of the day being read, for the Supreme Court of Judicature of Northern Ireland Bill;

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time upon Tuesday the 9th day of November next.

The Order of the day being read, for taking Rating (Scotland) Bill, as amended in the Standing Committee;

Ordered, That the Bill be taken into consideration upon Tuesday the 9th day of November next.

The Order of the day being read, for the Indian and Colonial Divorce Jurisdiction Bill (Lords);

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time upon Tuesday the 9th day of November next.

The Order of the day being read, for the Palestine and Committee on Palestine and East Africa Loans (Guarantee);

Resolved, That this House will, upon Tuesday the 9th day of November next, resolve itself into the said Committee.

The Order of the day being read, for taking Merchandise into consideration the Merchandise Marks (Imported Goods) Bill, as amended in the Standing Committee;

Ordered, That the Bill be taken into consideration upon Tuesday the 9th day of November next.
The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Factories (No. 2) Bill; Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time upon Tuesday the 9th day of November next.

The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Wild Birds Protection Bill [Lords];

The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Mental Deficiency Bill [Lords];

The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Workmen's Compensation (No. 2) Bill;

The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the University of London Bill [Lords];

The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Forestry Bill [Lords];

The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Prisons (Scotland) Bill;

The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Fertilisers and Feeding Stuffs Bill [Lords];

The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Bottling Overseas (Prohibition) Bill;

The Order of the day being read, for the Committee of Supply; Resolved, That this House will, to-morrow, resolve itself into the said Committee.

The Order of the day being read, for the Committee of Ways and Means; Resolved, That this House will, to-morrow, resolve itself into the said Committee.

Resolved, That the Special Order made by Electricity the Electricity Commissioners under the Electricity (Supply) Acts, 1882 to 1922, and confirmed by the Minister of Transport under the Electricity (Supply) Act, 1919, in respect of part of the Parishes of Penryn and Llangwsten, in the Rural District of Conway, in the County of Carnarvon, and the Parish of Llanarmon-y-retdyr, in the Rural District of Glan Conway, in the County of Denbigh, which was presented on the 13th day of July 1926, be approved.—(Colonel Gibbs.)

Resolved, That the Special Order made by Electricity the Electricity Commissioners under the Electricity (Supply) Acts, 1882 to 1922, and confirmed by the Minister of Transport under the Electricity (Supply) Act, 1919, in respect of the Rural District of Plympton St. Mary, in the County of Devon, which was presented on the 15th day of July 1926, be approved.—(Colonel Gibbs.)

Resolved, That the Special Order made by Electricity the Electricity Commissioners under the Electricity (Supply) Acts, 1882 to 1922, and confirmed by the Minister of Transport under the Electricity (Supply) Act, 1919, in respect of the Rural District of Toton, in the Rural District of Stapleford, in the County of Derby, and part of the Parish of Toton, which was presented on the 14th day of July 1926, be approved.—(Colonel Gibbs.)

Resolved, That the Special Order made by Electricity the Electricity Commissioners under the Electricity (Supply) Acts, 1882 to 1922, and confirmed by the Minister of Transport under the Electricity (Supply) Act, 1919, in respect of the Rural District of Toton, in the Rural District of Stapleford, in the County of Derby, and part of the Parish of Toton, which was presented on the 13th day of July 1926, be approved.—(Colonel Gibbs.)

Resolved, That the Special Order made by Electricity the Electricity Commissioners under the Electricity (Supply) Acts, 1882 to 1922, and confirmed by the Minister of Transport under the Electricity (Supply) Act, 1919, in respect of the Rural District of Toton, in the Rural District of Stapleford, in the County of Derby, and part of the Parish of Toton, which was presented on the 14th day of July 1926, be approved.—(Colonel Gibbs.)

Resolved, That the Special Order made by Electricity the Electricity Commissioners under the Electricity (Supply) Acts, 1882 to 1922, and confirmed by the Minister of Transport under the Electricity (Supply) Act, 1919, in respect of the Rural District of Toton, in the Rural District of Stapleford, in the County of Derby, and part of the Parish of Toton, which was presented on the 13th day of July 1926, be approved.—(Colonel Gibbs.)
the Electricity (Supply) Act, 1919, in respect of the Urban Districts of Seaford and Newhaven, and part of the Rural District of Newhaven, all in the Administrative County of East Sussex, which was presented on the 10th day of July 1926, be approved.—(Colonel Gibbs.)

Adjourned, That this House do now adjourn.—(Colonel Gibbs.)

And accordingly the House, having continued to sit till a quarter of an hour after Ten of the clock, adjourned till to-morrow.

[No. 120.]

Tuesday, 31st August 1926.

The House met at Eleven of the clock.

PRAYERS.

Cumberland
County
(Northern
Division)

Earl Winterton presented, by His Majesty's Command, a Copy of explanatory Memorandum by the Under Secretary of State for India relative to Accounts and Estimates, 1926–27.

Ordered, That the said Paper do lie upon the Table.

East India

London

A Motion was made, and the Question being put, That at Five of the clock this day, Mr. Speaker do adjourn the House without Question put.—(Mr. Chancellor of the Exchequer);

The House divided.

The Yeas to the Right;

Tellers for the "Sir Harry Barnston."

Yes, Major Hennessy: 228.

Tellers for the "Mr. Parkinson."

Noes, Mr. Charles Edwards: 95.

So it was resolved in the Affirmative.

A Motion was made, and the Question being Adjournment proposed, That this House, at its rising this day, do adjourn until Tuesday 9th November.

—(Mr. Chancellor of the Exchequer.)

An Amendment was proposed to be made to the Question, by leaving out the words "9th November," and inserting the words "7th September."—(Mr. Ramsay MacDonald.)—Instead thereof.

And the Question being put, That the words "9th November" stand part of the Question;

The House divided.

The Yeas to the Right;
The Noes to the Left.

Tellers for the "Sir Harry Barnston."

Yes, Major Hennessy: 225.

Tellers for the "Mr. Parkinson."

Noes, Mr. Charles Edwards: 100.

So it was resolved in the Affirmative.

And the Main Question being put;

Resolved, That this House, at its rising this day, do adjourn until Tuesday 9th November.

A Motion was made, and the Question being Adjournment proposed, That this House do now adjourn—(Colonel Gibbs.)—And a Debate arising thereupon;

Mr. Lawson 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 withholds his assent.

Mr. Speaker resumed the Debate.

And it being Five of the clock, Mr. Speaker adjourned the House without Question put, pursuant to the Order of the House of this day, till Tuesday the 9th day of November next, pursuant to the Resolution of the House of this day.

BY THE KING.

A PROCLAMATION

FOR THE SUMMONING OF PARLIAMENT.

GEORGE R.I.

WHEREAS on the 30th day of April, 1926, We were pleased, by virtue of the powers conferred upon Us by the Emergency Powers Act, 1920, to issue a Proclamation of Emergency:

AND WHEREAS on the 29th day of May, 1926, the 28th day of June, 1926, the 26th day of July, 1926, and the 25th day of August, 1926, We were pleased, by virtue of the said powers, to make further Proclamations of Emergency:

AND WHEREAS the Proclamation of Emergency made on the said 25th day of August, 1926, will expire after one month from the date thereof:

AND WHEREAS We have this day been pleased to make a new Proclamation of Emergency under the said Act:
AND WHEREAS it is provided by the said Act that a Proclamation of Emergency has been made the occasion thereof shall forthwith be communicated to Parliament, and, if Parliament is then prorogued, or if Parliament is not then prorogued, shall be adjourned or prorogued as will not expire within five days, a Proclamation shall be issued for the meeting of Parliament within five days, and Parliament shall accordingly meet and sit upon the day appointed by that Proclamation, and shall continue to sit and act in like manner as if it had stood adjourned or prorogued to the same day:

AND WHEREAS the House of Lords stands adjourned to Thursday, the 9th day of November next:

NOW, THEREFORE, We, in pursuance of the said Act and all other powers enabling Us to that effect, by and with the advice of Our Privy Council, hereby procline and give notice of Our Royal intention and pleasure that Our Parliament, notwithstanding that it now stands adjourned as aforesaid, shall assemble and be held on Monday, the 27th day of September 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 Monday, the 27th day of September.

Given at Our Court at Balmoral, this Twenty-second day of September, in the year of our Lord one thousand nine hundred and twenty-six, and in the Seventeenth year of Our Reign.

GOD SAVE THE KING.

[No. 121.]

Monday, 27th September 1926.

The House met at a quarter of an hour before Three of the clock.

PRAYERS.

THE following Papers, presented by His Majesty's Command during the Autumn Adjournment, were delivered to the Librarian of the House of Commons during the Adjournment, pursuant to Standing Order No. 86:—

Copy of Report of the Minister of Transport upon the accidents that occurred on the Railways of Great Britain during the year 1925.

Copy of Report by the Honourable W. G. A. Crunchley-Gower, M.P., Parliamentary Under-Secretary of State for the Colonies, on his visit to West Africa in 1926.

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Copy of Statistical Abstract for the several British Overseas Dominions and Protectorates in each year from 1909 to 1923 (Fifty-seventh number).


Copy of Draft Conventions and Recommendations adopted by the International Labour Conference of the League of Nations (1) at its Eighth Session, 26th May to 5th June 1925, and (2) at its Ninth Session, 7th June to 24th June 1926 (Authentic Texts).

Copy of Statistics as to the operation and existing administration of the laws relating to the sale of Intoxicating Liquor in England and Wales for the year 1925.

Copy of Agreement between the United Kingdom and the Netherlands regarding the Sanitary Control over Mecca Pilgrims at Kamaran Island. Signed at Paris, 19th June 1926.

Copy of Report on the Finances, Administration, and Condition of the Sudan in 1926.

Copy of Twelfth Annual Report of the Mental General Board of Control for Scotland under the Mental Deficiency and Lunacy (Scotland) Act, 1913.


Ordered, That the said Papers do lie upon the Table.

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Earl Winterton presented, pursuant to the East India directions of an Act of Parliament,—Copy of Commission of the Electoral Rules of the Legislative Council of Madras, Bombay, the Punjab, and the Central Provinces made by the Governor General of India in Council, with the sanction of the Secretary of State in Council, under Sections 64 and 129A of the Government of India Act.

Copy of Amendment of the Electoral Rules East India of the Legislative Assembly made by the Governor General of India in Council, with the sanction of the Secretary of State in Council, under Sections 64 and 129A of the Government of India Act.

Copy of Amendment of the Electoral Rules East India of the Madras Legislative Council, made by the Governor General of India in Council, with the sanction of the Secretary of State in Council, under Sections 72A and 129A of the Government of India Act.

Ordered, That the said Papers do lie upon the Table.
London Traffic Act, 1926.

Colonel Ashley presented, pursuant to the directions of an Act of Parliament,—Copies of Provisional Regulations, dated 2nd September 1926, made by the Minister of Transport under the London Traffic Act, 1924, entitled—

(1) the London Traffic (Restricted Streets) Amendment (No. 7) Provisional Regulations, 1926; and
(2) the London Traffic (Restricted Streets) Amendment (No. 8) Provisional Regulations, 1926.

Ordered, That the said Paper do lie upon the Table.

Sugar Beet. Mr. Guinness presented, by His Majesty’s Command,—Copy of Progress Report by B. J. Owen, M.A., B.sc., on investigations into the Production (Do Vecchio) Process for producing Sugar from Sugar Beet.

Diseases of Animals. Mr. Guinness also presented, pursuant to the directions of several Acts of Parliament,—

Copies of Orders under the Diseases of Animals Acts—

(1) dated 10th September 1926, regarding the application of the Foot-and-Mouth Disease (Infected Areas Restrictions) Order of 1925 to certain Midland Counties;
(2) dated 13th September 1926, entitled the Midlands (Foot-and-Mouth Disease) Order of 1926 (No. 2); and
(3) dated 17th September 1926 (Authorisation of Loading of Animals for exceptional purposes).

Sea Fisheries Act, 1888.

Copy of Order under the Sea Fisheries Regulation Act, 1888, dated 17th August 1926, entitled the Cornwall Sea Fisheries District (Variation) Order, 1926.

Ordered, That the said Papers do lie upon the Table.


Secretary Sir Samuel Hoare presented, pursuant to the directions of several Acts of Parliament,—Copy of Order under the Air Force (Constitution) Act, 1917, to provide for the extension of the Service of Officers holding Short Service Commissions and filling certain technical appointments in the Royal Air Force, so as to complete nine years in all on the Active List.


Ordered, That the said Papers do lie upon the Table.


Ordered, That the said Papers do lie upon the Table.

Housing Act, 1914. No. 127.

Mr. M’Neill presented, pursuant to the directions of an Act of Parliament,—Account showing the Money issued out of the Consolidated Fund; the money borrowed and the securities created in respect thereof; and the expenditure of a capital nature incurred by the Scottish Board of Health and the Commissioners of Works, respectively, under the Housing Act, 1914, for the period ended 31st March 1926, with the Report of the Comptroller and Auditor General thereon.

Ordered, That the said Paper do lie upon the Table; and be printed.

Lord Eustace Percy presented, pursuant to the directions of several Acts of Parliament,—Copy of Order in Council, dated 22nd September 1926, making Regulations under Section 2 (1) of the Emergency Powers Act, 1920, entitled the Emergency Regulations (No. 8), 1926.

Ordered, That the said Papers do lie upon the Table.

Copies of Regulations made by the Board of Education under Section 118 of the Education Act, 1921, dated 9th September 1926, entitled—

(1) the Elementary Education (Substantive Grant) Amending Regulations (No. 1), 1926; and
(2) the Higher Education (Substantive Grant) Amending Regulations (No. 2), 1926.

Ordered, That the said Papers do lie upon the Table.

Mr. Secretary Amery presented, pursuant to the directions of an Act of Parliament,—

Copy of Rule made by the Governor and Executive Council of Trinidad on 29th July 1926, annulling Rule No. 264, made on 16th November 1925, on the subject of Re­mission of Sentences, Copy of which is annexed.

Ordered, That the said Paper do lie upon the Table.

Mr. Neville Chamberlain presented, pursuant to the directions of several Acts of Parliament, to provide for the extension of the Service of Officers holding Short Service Commissions and filling certain technical appointments in the Royal Air Force, so as to complete nine years in all on the Active List.

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:


Ordered, That the Paper relative to Friendly Societies, &c., be printed.

Frederick Forgey Graham, Esquire, Member New Member for the County of Cumberland (Northern division) was sworn.
Emergency Secretary Sir W. J. Halsey, 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 22nd day of September 1926 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 22nd day of September 1926, to declare that a state of emergency exists.

A Motion was made, and the Question being put, That the House being uncovered, and it is as follows:

GEORGE R.I.

The continued cessation of work in coal

(1) Government Business do have pre­

cedence;

(2) At the conclusion of Government Business

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.——

Adjournment. A Motion was made, and the Question being

put, That this House do now adjourn.——

adjourn, and, if that Question shall not have been

agreed to, Mr. Speaker shall adjourn the

House, without Question put, not later

than one hour after the conclusion of

Government Business, if that Business

has been concluded before 10.30 p.m.,

but, if that Business has not been so

concluded, not later than 11.30 p.m.—

(Parliament.)

The House divided.
The Yeas to the Right;
The Noses to the Left;

Tellers for the

Yea.s.—[Commander E. Prince—

Kness, 237.

[Lord Stanley : 122.

Tellers for the

Noses.—[Mr. Charles Edwards : L]

So it was resolved in the Airtative.

The Order of the day being read, for the

Second Reading of the Naval Reserve (Officers) Bill;

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time upon Tuesday the 9th day of November next.

The Order of the day being read, for the Supreme

Second Reading of the Supreme Court of

Judicature of Northern Ireland Bill;

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time upon Tuesday the 9th day of November next.

The Order of the day being read, for the Supply;

Ordered, That the House will, to-morrow, resolve itself into the said Committee.

The Order of the day being read, for the Ways and

Committee of Ways and Means;

Ordered, That this House will, to-morrow, resolve itself into the said Committee.

The Order of the day being read, for taking Rating

into consideration the Rating (Scotland) Bill; (Scotland)

as amended in the Standing Committee;

Ordered, That the Bill be taken into considera­tion upon Tuesday the 9th day of

November next.

The Order of the day being read, for the Indian

Second Reading of the Indian and Colonial

Divorce Jurisdiction Bill [Lords];

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time upon Tuesday the 9th day of

November next.

The Order of the day being read, for the Palestine and

Committee on Palestine and East Africa Loans

[Guarantee];

Resolved, That this House will, upon Tuesday the 9th day of

November next, resolve itself into the said Committee.

The Order of the day being read, for taking Merchandise

into consideration the Merchandise Marks (Im­

ported Goods) Bill, as amended in the Standing

Committee;

Ordered, That the Bill be taken into considera­tion upon Tuesday the 9th day of

November next.

The Order of the day being read, for the Factories

Second Reading of the Factories (No. 2) Bill; (No. 2)

Bill

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time upon Tuesday the 9th day of

November next.

The Order of the day being read, for the Wild Birds

Second Reading of the Wild Birds Protection

Bill [Lords];

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time upon Tuesday the 9th day of

November next.

The Order of the day being read, for the Mental

Second Reading of the Mental Deficiency Bill; (Scotland)

Bill [Lords];

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time upon Tuesday the 9th day of

November next.

The Order of the day being read, for the Workmen's

Second Reading of the Workmen's Compensation

Bill; (Scotland)

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time upon Tuesday the 9th day of

November next.

The Order of the day being read, for the Horticultural Produce

(No. 2) Bill; (Scotland)

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time upon Tuesday the 9th day of

November next.

The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Horticultural Produce

Sales on Commission) Bill [Lords];

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time upon Tuesday the 9th day of November next.

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Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time upon Tuesday the 9th day of November next.

University of London Bill [Lords.]

The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the University of London Bill [Lords];

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time upon Tuesday the 9th day of November next.

Forestry Bill [Lords.]

The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Forestry Bill [Lords];

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time upon Tuesday the 9th day of November next.

Judicial Proceedings (Regulation of Reports) Bill [Lords.]

The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Judicial Proceedings (Regulation of Reports) Bill [Lords];

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time upon Tuesday the 9th day of November next.

Prisons (Scotland) Bill.

The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Prisons (Scotland) Bill;

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time upon Tuesday the 9th day of November next.

Fertilisers and Feeding Stuffs Bill [Lords.]

The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Fertilisers and Feeding Stuffs Bill [Lords];

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time upon Tuesday the 9th day of November next.

Betting (Prohibition) Bill.

The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Betting (Prohibition) Bill;

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time upon Tuesday the 9th day of November next.

Roman Catholic Relief Bill.

The Order of the day being read, for taking into consideration the Roman Catholic Relief Bill, as amended in the Standing Committee;

Ordered, That the Bill be taken into consideration upon Tuesday the 9th day of November next.

Judicial Proceedings (Regulation of Reports) Bill.

The Order of the day being read, for taking into consideration the Judicial Proceedings (Regulation of Reports) Bill, as amended in the Standing Committee;

Ordered, That the Bill be taken into consideration upon Tuesday the 9th day of November next.

Births and Deaths Registration Bill.

The Order of the day being read, for resuming the adjourned Debate on the Question proposed upon the 18th day of June last on consideration of the Births and Deaths Registration Bill, as amended in the Standing Committee, That a Clause "Conditions as to registration and inspection," be read a second time;

Ordered, That the Debate be further adjourned till Tuesday the 9th day of November next.

Vinegar Bill.

The Order of the day being read, for taking into consideration the Vinegar Bill, as amended in the Standing Committee;

Ordered, That the Bill be taken into consideration upon Tuesday the 9th day of November next.

The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Shops (Hours of Employment) Bill;

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time upon Tuesday the 9th day of November next.

The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Seditious and Blasphemous Teaching to Children Bill;

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time upon Tuesday the 9th day of November next.

The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Industrial School Fees Bill;

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time upon Tuesday the 9th day of November next.

The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Leaseshold Enfranchisement (No. 2) Bill;

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time upon Wednesday the 10th day of November next.

The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Government of Scotland Bill;

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time upon Wednesday the 10th day of November next.

The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Sale of Food and Drugs Act (1875) Amendment Bill;

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time upon Wednesday the 10th day of November next.

The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Registration of Agents (Insurance Brokers) Bill;

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time upon Wednesday the 10th day of November next.

The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Registration of Insurance Brokers and Agents (Registration) Bill;

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time upon Wednesday the 10th day of November next.

The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Blind Persons Registration Bill;

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time upon Tuesday the 9th day of November next.

The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Shop and Maternity Legislation Bill;

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time upon Tuesday the 9th day of November next.
The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Merchandise Marks Amendment Bill; Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time upon Tuesday the 9th day of November next.

Dentists Bill. 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 Thursday the 11th day of November next.

Safeguarding of Wages and Hours of Labour Bill. The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Safeguarding of Wages and Hours of Labour Bill; Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time upon Tuesday the 9th day of November next.

Licensing Act (1921) Amendment Bill. The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Licensing Act (1921) Amendment Bill; Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time upon Wednesday the 10th day of November next.

Town Tenants Bill. The Order of the day being read, for resuming the adjourned Debate on the Question proposed upon the 19th day of February last, That the Town Tenants Bill be now read a second time; Ordered, That the Debate be further adjourned till Thursday the 11th day of November next; And then the House, having continued to sit till four minutes after Eleven of the clock, adjourned till to-morrow.

Tuesday, 26th September 1926.

The House met at a quarter of an hour before Three of the clock.

PRAYERS.

Mr. Neville Chamberlain presented, pursuant to the directions of several Acts of Parliament,—Copy of the Dudmaston (Sheffield) Regulations, 1926, dated 26th August 1926, made by the Minister of Health.


Ordered, That the said Papers do lie upon the Table.

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BY THE KING.

A PROCLAMATION

FOR THE SUMMONING OF PARLIAMENT.

G E O R G E R.I.

WHEREAS on the 30th day of April, 1926, We were pleased, by virtue of the powers conferred upon Us by the Emergency Powers Act, 1920, to issue a Proclamation of Emergency:

AND WHEREAS on the 28th day of May, 1926, the 28th day of June, 1926, the 24th day of July, 1926, the 28th day of August, 1926, and the 22nd day of September, 1926, We were pleased, by virtue of the said powers, to make further Proclamations of Emergency:

AND WHEREAS the Proclamation of Emergency made on the said 22nd day of September, 1926, will expire after one month from the date thereof:

AND WHEREAS We have this day been pleased to make a new Proclamation of Emergency under the said Act:

AND WHEREAS it is provided by the said Act that where a Proclamation of Emergency has been made the occasion thereof shall forthwith be communicated to Parliament, and, if Parliament is then separated by such adjournment or prorogation as will not expire within five days, a Proclamation shall be issued for the meeting of Parliament within five days, and Parliament shall accordingly meet and sit upon the day appointed by that Proclamation, and shall continue to sit and act in like manner as if it had stood adjourned or prorogued to the same day:

AND WHEREAS the House of Lords stands adjourned to Thursday, the 21st day of October, except for Judicial business until Tuesday, the 9th day of November next:

AND WHEREAS the House of Commons stands adjourned to the said Tuesday, the 9th day of November next:

NOW, THEREFORE, We, in pursuance of the said Act and all other powers enabling Us in that behalf, by and with the advice of Our Privy Council, hereby proclaim and give notice of Our Royal intention and pleasure that Our Parliament, notwithstanding that it now stands adjourned as aforesaid, shall assemble and be held on Monday, the 25th day of October 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 Monday, the 25th day of October.

Given at Our Court at Sandringham, this Twentieth day of October, in the year of our Lord One thousand nine hundred and twenty-six, and in the Seventeenth year of Our Reign.

GOD SAVE THE KING.
17 GEO. V. 25th October.

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Monday, 25th October 1926.

The House met at a quarter of an hour before Three of the clock.

PRAYERS.

The following Papers, presented by His Majesty's Command, were delivered to the Librarian of the House of Commons during the Adjournment, pursuant to Standing Order No. 98:

1. Copy of Return showing Crown Grants of Land in Kenya of over 5,000 acres in extent.


3. Copy of Correspondence between the United Kingdom and the United States respecting a Proposed Reduction of Passport Fees.


8. Copy of the Special Orders made by the Electricity Commissioners under Section 1 of the Electric Lighting Act, 1888, dispensing with the consent of the Mid Lothian County Council in the case of the Galashields and District Electricity (Extension) Special Order, 1926.

9. Copy of the Special Orders made by the Electricity Commissioners under Section 1 of the Electric Lighting Act, 1888, dispensing with the consent of the Mid Lothian County Council in the case of the Galashields and District Electricity (Extension) Special Order, 1926.


Ordered, That the said Papers do lie upon the Table.

Copy of Provisions Regulations, dated 27th September 1926, made by the Minister of Transport under the London Traffic Act, 1924, entitled the London Traffic (Restricted Streets) Amendment (No. 9) Provisional Regulations, 1925.

Ordered, That the said Papers lie upon the Table.


Ordered, That the said Papers do lie upon the Table.

Sir Philip Cunliffe-Lister presented, pursuant to Standing Order No. 95:

(1) Farnham Gas and Electricity Company;
(2) Godalming Gas and Coke Company, Limited;
(3) Hampton Court Gas Company;
(4) Herne Bay Gas Company, Limited;
(5) United District Gas Company;
(6) Mayor, Aldermen, and Burgesses of the Borough of Widnes.

Ordered, That the said Paper do lie upon the Table.

Major Hennawy presented, pursuant to Standing Order No. 95:

(1) Tables. Part I. Medical;
(2) Tables. Part II. Civil.


Ordered, That the said Paper do lie upon the Table.

Mr. Neville Chamberlain presented, pursuant to Standing Order No. 95:

(1) Tables. Part I. Medical;
(2) Tables. Part II. Civil.

Copy of the County of Norfolk (Caister next Lowestoft) Confirmation Order, 1926, made under the Local Government Act, 1888.

Ordered, That the said Paper do lie upon the Table.

Col. Sir Philip Cunliffe-Lister presented, pursuant to Standing Order No. 95:

(1) Tables. Part I. Medical;
(2) Tables. Part II. Civil.

Copy of the County of Norfolk (Caister next Lowestoft) Confirmation Order, 1926, made under the Local Government Act, 1888.

Ordered, That the said Paper do lie upon the Table.

Col. Sir Philip Cunliffe-Lister presented, pursuant to Standing Order No. 95:

(1) Tables. Part I. Medical;
(2) Tables. Part II. Civil.

Copy of the County of Norfolk (Caister next Lowestoft) Confirmation Order, 1926, made under the Local Government Act, 1888.

Ordered, That the said Paper do lie upon the Table.

The following Papers, presented by His Majesty's Command, were delivered to the Librarian of the House of Commons during the Adjournment, pursuant to Standing Order No. 98:

1. Copy of the Heysham and Morecambe Bay Public Health (Shell Fish) Regulations, 1926, dated 5th (England).

2. Copy of the Heysham and Morecambe Bay Public Health (Shell Fish) Regulations, 1926, dated 5th (England).

Ordered, That the said Papers do lie upon the Table.

Mr. Neville Chamberlain presented, pursuant to Standing Order No. 95:

(1) Tables. Part I. Medical;
(2) Tables. Part II. Civil.

Copy of the County of Norfolk (Caister next Lowestoft) Confirmation Order, 1926, made under the Local Government Act, 1888.

Ordered, That the said Paper do lie upon the Table.

Col. Sir Philip Cunliffe-Lister presented, pursuant to Standing Order No. 95:

(1) Tables. Part I. Medical;
(2) Tables. Part II. Civil.

Copy of the County of Norfolk (Caister next Lowestoft) Confirmation Order, 1926, made under the Local Government Act, 1888.

Ordered, That the said Paper do lie upon the Table.

Col. Sir Philip Cunliffe-Lister presented, pursuant to Standing Order No. 95:

(1) Tables. Part I. Medical;
(2) Tables. Part II. Civil.

Copy of the County of Norfolk (Caister next Lowestoft) Confirmation Order, 1926, made under the Local Government Act, 1888.

Ordered, That the said Paper do lie upon the Table.
The following Paper, pursuant to the directions of an Act of Parliament, was laid upon the Table by the Clerk of the House:

Copy of Schedule containing a list and particulars of Charters of Documents which have arisen in the Office of His Majesty's Attorney and Solicitor General in connection with Grants of Patents for Inventions, existing in the Public Record Office and not considered of sufficient public value to justify their preservation therein.

Secretary Sir William Joynson-Hicks, at the Emergency 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 October 1926 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 October 1926, to declare that a state of emergency exists.

Complaint made to the House by Colonel Privilege Sir Arthur Holbrook, Member for the County of Hants (Basingstoke Division), of certain passages in a speech delivered by Dr. Salter, Member for the Borough of Bermynside (West Bermondsey Division), and reported in the "Daily Express" newspaper of 13th October, is a gross libel on the Members of this House, which he submitted constituted a breach of the Privileges of this House.

A Motion was made, and the Question being proposed, That the speech of the Honourable Member for West Bermondsey, reported in the "Daily Express" newspaper of 13th October, is a gross libel on the Members of this House and a grave breach of its Privileges—(Colonel Sir Arthur Holbrook) — And a Debate arising thereupon;

Ordered, That the Debate be now adjourned. (Mr. Chancellor of the Exchequer.)

A Motion was made, and the Motion for the Adjournment of the House lapsed, without Question put.

The Order of the day being read, for taking Electricity into consideration the Electricity (Supply) Bill, (Supply) Bill, as amended in the Standing Committee;

Ordered, That the Bill be taken into consideration upon Tuesday the 9th day of November next.

The Order of the day being read, for the Horticultural Second Reading of the Horticultural Produce (Sales on Commission) Bill [Lords]:

The Lord Advocate 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 Scotland—

Burgh of Port Glasgow;
City and Royal Burgh of Edinburgh.

Ordered, That the said Paper do lie upon the Table.
Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time upon Tuesday the 9th day of November next.

The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Workmen’s Compensation (No. 2) Bill;

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time upon Tuesday the 9th day of November next.

The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the University of London Bill [Lords];

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time upon Tuesday the 9th day of November next.

The Order of the day being read, for the Wild Birds Protection Bill [Lords];

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time upon Tuesday the 9th day of November next.

The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the University of London Bill [Lords];

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time upon Tuesday the 9th day of November next.

The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Prisons (Scotland) Bill [Scotland];

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time upon Tuesday the 9th day of November next.

The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Fertilisers and Feeding Stuffs Bill [Lords];

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time upon Tuesday the 9th day of November next.

The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Naval Reserve (Officers) Bill;

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time upon Tuesday the 9th day of November next.

The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Mental Deficiency Bill [Lords];

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time upon Tuesday the 9th day of November next.

The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Supreme Court of Judicature of Northern Ireland Bill;

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time upon Tuesday the 9th day of November next.

The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Factories (No. 2) Bill;

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time upon Tuesday the 9th day of November next.

The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Rating (Scotland) Bill,

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time upon Tuesday the 9th day of November next.

The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Palestine and East Africa Loans Bill [Guarantee].

Resolved, That this House will, upon Tuesday the 9th day of November next, resolve itself into the said Committee.

The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Indian and Colonial Divorce Jurisdiction Bill [Lords];

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time upon Tuesday the 9th day of November next.

The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Merchandise Marks (Imported Goods) Bill;

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time upon Tuesday the 9th day of November next.

The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Mercantile Marine (Imported Goods) Bill;

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time upon Tuesday the 9th day of November next.

The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Factories (No. 2) Bill;

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time upon Tuesday the 9th day of November next.

The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Supreme Court of Judicature of Northern Ireland Bill;

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time upon Tuesday the 9th day of November next.

The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Fertilisers and Feeding Stuffs Bill [Lords];

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time upon Tuesday the 9th day of November next.

The Order of the day being read, for the Betting Overseas (Prohibition) Bill;

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time upon Tuesday the 9th day of November next.

The Order of the day being read, for the University of London Bill [Lords];

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time upon Tuesday the 9th day of November next.

The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Prisons (Scotland) Bill [Scotland];

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time upon Tuesday the 9th day of November next.

Whereupon Mr. Speaker, pursuant to the Order of the House of the 27th day of September last, proposed the Question, That this House do now adjourn.

And the Question being put:—It was resolved in the Affirmative.

And accordingly the House, having continued to sit till two minutes after Eleven of the clock, adjourned till to-morrow.

PRAYERS.

ставлен, puruant to the directions of an Act of Parliament.—Copy of Additional Regulation, dated 27th September 1926, made by the
Board of Trade under the Weights and Measures Act, 1904, prescribing the allowance for error on self-indicating and semi-self-indicating weighing machines.

Ordered, That the said Paper do lie upon the Table.

Secretary Sir William Jagnam-Hicks presented, pursuant to the directions of an Act of Parliament,—Copy of Rule, dated 28th September 1926, made by the Governor of Northern Ireland, with the concurrence of the Judges of the Supreme Court of Northern Ireland, altering certain Rules of the Supreme Court of Northern Ireland.

Ordered, That the said Paper do lie upon the Table.

A Motion was made, and the Question being put, That the words be there inserted;—Copy of Amendment to Rules of Procedure for the Royal Air Force.

Ordered, That the said Paper do lie upon the Table.

Mr. William Nicholson reported from the Chairmen’s Panel; That they had appointed Sir Robert Sanders to act as Chairman of Standing Committee C (in respect of the Small Holdings and Allotments Bill).

Ordered, That the Report do lie upon the Table.

A Motion was made, and the Question being put, That the Proceedings on the Motion relating to the Adjournment of the House (Autumn) be exempted, at this day’s Sitting, from the provisions of the Standing Order (Sittings of the House)—(Mr. Chancellor of the Exchequer):

The House divided.

The Yeas to the Right;

The Noes to the Left.

Tellers for the Yeas, [Colonel Sir Arthur Holdbrook]; [Mr. Charles Edwards]; [Mr. Hayes]: 

Tellers for the Noes, [Mr. G. G. Curzon]; [Mr. H. F. Thornton-Carew]; [Mr. W. Joynson-Hicks]; [Mr. J. Curzon]: 

So it was resolved in the Affirmative.

A Motion was made, 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. Parkinson]; [Mr. Hayes]; 

Tellers for the Noes, [Mr. Frederick Thorne son]; 

Curzon: 

So it passed in the Negative.

A Motion was made, 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. Parkinson]; [Mr. Hayes]; 

Tellers for the Noes, [Mr. Frederick Thorne son]; 

Curzon: 

So it passed in the Negative.

A Motion was made, 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. Parkinson]; [Mr. Hayes]; 

Tellers for the Noes, [Mr. Frederick Thorne son]; 

Curzon: 

So it passed in the Negative.

A Motion was made, 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. Parkinson]; [Mr. Hayes]; 

Tellers for the Noes, [Mr. Frederick Thorne son]; 

Curzon: 

So it passed in the Negative.

A Motion was made, 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. Parkinson]; [Mr. Hayes]; 

Tellers for the Noes, [Mr. Frederick Thorne son]; 

Curzon: 

So it passed in the Negative.
word "shall" for the word "may."—(Mr. Batey.)

And the Question being put, That those words he there added;

The House divided.

The Yeas to the Right;
The Noes to the Left.

Tellers for the Mr. Parkinson, Yeas, Mr. Charles Edwards ; 76.

Tellers for the Major Hennessy,
Noes, Captain Boeinger : 188.

So it passed in the Negative.

And the Main Question being put;
The House divided.

The Yeas to the Right;
The Noes to the Left.

Tellers for the Major Hennessy,
Yeas, Captain Boeinger : 185.

Tellers for the Mr. Parkinson,
Noes, Mr. Charles Edwards : 68.

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 20th day of October 1926, shall continue in force, subject, however, to the provisions of Section 2 (4) of the said Act.

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 Writ. County of York, East Riding (Howeshire Division) in the room of Lieutenant-Colonel the Right Honourable Francis Stanley Jackson, 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.—(Commander Eyres-Monsell.)

Ordered, That Mr. Speaker do issue his Essex 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 Essex (Chelmsford Division), in the room of Sir Henry Honwood Curtis-Bennett, K.C., who, since his election for the said County, hath accepted the Office of Steward or Bailiff of His Majesty’s Manor of Northstead, in the County of York.—(Commander Eyres-Monsell.)

The following Papers, presented by His Parliamentary Command during the Autumn Adjournment, were delivered to the Librarian (Adjournment.)

Ordered, to be printed:

Copy of Memorandum explanatory of the Small Holdings and Allotments Bill.

Copy of Memorandum on Expenditure likely to be incurred under the University of London Bill (Lords).

Copy of Memorandum on the Defective Houses of Parliament, and Proposals for its Restoration.

Ordered, That the said Papers do lie upon the Table.

Mr. M’Neill presented, by His Majesty’s Civil Command.—Estimate of a further sum required to be voted for the Civil Services and Departments; the year ended 31st March 1927.

Copy of Sixty-ninth Report of the Commissioners of His Majesty’s Inland Revenue for the year ended 31st March 1926.

Copy of Minute of an Act of Parliament.—Copy of Accounts and Treasury Minute, dated 19th February 1926, directing that all payments, other than repayment of capital and interest thereon, received in connection with the Niue and Ocean Islands Phosphate Undertaking shall be
Naval Prize Money.

Ordered, That the said Estimate be referred to the Committee of Supply, that the said Papers do lie upon the Table; and that the said Estimate be printed.

Shops Act, 1912.

Secretary Sir William Joyman-Bicks presented, pursuant to the directions of an Act of Parliament.—Copies of Orders made under the Shops Act, 1912, by the Councils of the undertakings Local Authorities, and confirmed by the Secretary of State for the Home Department:

County Borough of Brighton.
Urban District of Hadleigh (with Amendment).
Urban District of Hindley (with Amendment).
Borough of Poole (with Amendment).
County of Anglesey (with Amendment).

Ordered, That the said Paper do lie upon the Table.

Allotments Acts.

Mr. Guinness presented, pursuant to the directions of an Act of Parliament,—Copy of Report of Proceedings under the Allotments Acts, 1908 to 1925, for the year 1925.

Ordered, That the said Paper do lie upon the Table.

Board of Education (Regulations.)

Lord Eustace Percy presented, pursuant to the directions of an Act of Parliament.—Copy of Rules made by the Board of Education under the Education Act, 1921, and under the Economy (Miscellaneous Provisions) Act, 1928, entitled the Higher Education (Substantive Grant) Amending Regulations (No. 3), 1926.

Ordered, That the said Paper do lie upon the Table.

Pleas of (Scotland.)

The Lord Advocate presented, pursuant to the directions of an Act of Parliament.—Copy of Rules made by the Secretary of State for Scotland for the treatment and custody of prisoners who inform the Governor that they desire to appeal, in accordance with the provisions of the Criminal Appeal (Scotland) Act, 1926.

Ordered, That the said Paper do lie upon the Table.

Naval Prize Money.

Mr. Bridgeman presented, pursuant to the directions of several Acts of Parliament,—Account showing the Receipts and Expenditure of Naval Prize, Bounty, Salvage, and other Moneys between 1st April 1925 and 31st March, 1926.

Ordered, That the said Paper do lie upon the Table.

Naval Prize Fund.

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 1926, with the Report of the Comptroller and Auditor General thereon.

Ordered, That the said Paper do lie upon the Table.

Sir Philip Cunliffe-Lister presented, pursuant to the directions of an Act of Parliament,—Copy of Abstract of Returns relating to Pilotage in the United Kingdom for the year 1925.

Ordered, That the said Paper do lie upon the Table; and be printed.


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:

(1) the Urban District of Bangton, in the County of Devon;
(2) certain Burghs and Parishes in the County of Fife, for the amendments of the Fife Electric Lighting Order, 1911;
(3) part of the Rural District of Beigieu, in the County of Surrey, and part of the Rural District of East Grinstead, in the Administrative County of East Sussex;
(4) part of the Rural District of Seddon, in the County of Stafford;
(5) part of the Rural District of Wreatham, in the County of Denbigh;
(6) the Urban District of Porthoawl, in the County of Glamorgan;
(7) the Urban District of North Walsham, and parts of the Rural Districts of Aylsham, Blaxfield, Boreham, Briston, Lidford and Chartley, Milford and Launditch, St. Faith's, Smallburgh, and Wayland, all in the County of Norfolk;
(8) the Urban District of Oswestry, and parts of the Rural District of Llandilo Fawr, in the County of Cermarthen, and of the rural district of Pontardawe, in the County of Swansea;
(9) part of the Parish of Chalvington, in the Rural District of Epsom, in the County of Surrey.

Ordered, That the said Papers do lie upon the Table.

Secretary Sir John Hope-Worthington-E会使 Army presented, pursuant to the directions of several Acts of Parliament,—Copy of Amendments to the Regulations for the Territorial Army.

Copy of Amendments to the Regulations Army, governing the formation, organisation and administration of Territorial Cadet Units in the British Isles.

Copy of Amendments to the Regulations for Army. Officers of the Supplementary Reserve of Officers and for the Supplementary Reserve.

Copy of Schemes made by the Army Council Army and Air Council under the Territorial and Reserve Forces Act, 1907, and the Auxiliary Air Force and Air Force Reserve Act, 1924, for the establishment and constitution of an Association for the County of Warwick.

Ordered, That the said Papers do lie upon the Table.
Mr. Neville Chamberlain presented, pursuant to the directions of several Acts of Parliament, —Copy of Twenty-third Annual Report of the Metropolitan Water Board for the year ended 31st March 1925.

Copy of Regulations; dated 1st November 1926, made by the National Health Insurance Joint Committee, entitled the National Health Insurance (Arrears) Amendment Regulations, 1926.

Copy of Draft Order in Council under the Rating and Valuation Act, 1925.

Ordered, That the said Papers do lie upon the Table.

The following Paper, pursuant to the Union of Benefices Measure, 1923, was laid upon the Table by the Clerk of the House:—

Copy of Scheme for effecting the union of the Benefices of Lancaster St. Anne and Lancaster St. John, in the County of Lancaster and Diocese of Manchester.

Mr. William Nicholson reported from the Committee of Selection: That they had discharged the following Members from Standing Committee C:—Vernon Riesoon, Mr. Fielden, Mr. Groves, Mr. Hancock, Mr. Kelly, Mr. Sandeman, Colonel Lambert Ward, Mr. Wiggins, and Mr. Womersley.

Mr. William Nicholson further reported from the Committee of Selection: That they had added the following Twenty Members to Standing Committee C (in respect of the Small Holdings and Allotments Bill):—Mr. Blundell, Captain Bourne, Captain Briscoe, Sir Henry Cardwell, Mr. Christie, Colonel Sir George Courthope, Mr. Douglas, Mr. Greenwood, Sir Robert Hamilton, Captain Robert Henderson, Mr. Thomas Kennedy, Major Alan McLean, Mr. Hugh Morrison, Mr. Rhyas, Major Buggles-Brier, Mr. Stephenson, Major Sir Archibald Sinclair, Mr. Wheatley, Mr. Cecil Wilson, and Colonel Windsor-Clive.

Ordered, That the Reports do lie upon the Table.

Mr. Speaker acquainted the House, That a Message had been brought from the Lords by one of their Clerks, as followeth:

The Lords communicate that they have come to the following Resolution, viz.: That it is desirable that all Consolidation Bills in the present Session be referred to a Joint Committee of both Houses of Parliament.

The House, according to Order, proceeded to take into consideration the Electricity (Supply) Bill, as amended in the Standing Committee.

A Clause was offered to be added to the Bill (Certain powers of the Electricity Commissioners to be exercised by the Board).—(Mr. Dennis Herbert.)

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:—(Mr. Dennis Herbert).—instead thereof.

Another Clause was offered to be added to the Bill (As to alteration of frequency).—(Colonel Sir Joseph Nall.)

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:—(Sir James Grant.)

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:—(Colonel Sir Joseph Nall.)

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:—(Sir James Grant.)

Another Clause was offered to be added to the Bill (Limitation on power of Board to give financial assistance).—(Sir James Grant.)

Another Clause was offered to be added to the Bill (Tribunal of Appeal).—(Colonel Sir Joseph Nall.)

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:—(Colonel Sir Joseph Nall.)

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:—(Colonel Sir Joseph Nall.)

Another Clause was offered to be added to the Bill (Advisory boards, &c., not to be superseded by joint electricity authorities).—(Colonel Sir Joseph Nall.)

And the said Clause was brought up, and read the first time.

Another Clause was offered to be added to the Bill (Amendment of s. 21 of Act of 1909).—(Colonel Sir Joseph Nall.)

And the said Clause was brought up, and read the first time.

Another Clause was offered to be added to the Bill (Amendment of s. 23 of Act of 1909).—(Colonel Sir Joseph Nall.)

And the said Clause was brought up, and read the first time.

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And the said Clause was brought up, and read the first time.
9th November, 1926.

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. 2, l. 34, by inserting, after the word "Transport," the words "with the approval of the Treasury."—(Mr. Radford.)

And the Question being put, That those words be there inserted in the Bill:—It passed in the Negative.

Another Amendment was proposed to be made to the Bill, in p. 3, l. 12, by inserting, after the word "of," the words "considering and adopting schemes under section four of this Act, and."—(Mr. Dennis Herbert.)

And the Question being put, That those words be there inserted in the Bill:—It passed in the Negative.

Another Amendment was proposed to be made to the Bill, in p. 3, l. 14, by leaving out from the word "Act" to the word "and," in l. 16.—(Mr. Peel.)

And the Question being put, That the word proposed to be left out stand part of the Bill:—It passed in the Negative.

The Yeas to the Right;
The Noses to the Left.

Tellers for the Yeas,

[Captains Viscounth Curzon, Captain Margesson]

Tellers for the Noes,

[Mr. Parkinson, Mr. Charles Edwards]

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. 4, l. 4, by inserting, after the word "lines," the words "belonging to or to be constructed by authorised undertakers within the area of the scheme or;"—(Mr. Dennis Herbert.)

And the Question being put, That those words be there inserted in the Bill:—It passed in the Negative.

Then another Amendment was made to the Bill.

Another Amendment was proposed to be made to the Bill, in p. 4, l. 29, by inserting, after the word "any," the word "tramway."—(Sir James Grant.)

And the Question being put, That the word "tramway" be there inserted in the Bill:—It passed in the Negative.

Then another Amendment was made to the Bill.

Another Amendment was proposed to be made to the Bill, in p. 4, l. 35, by inserting, at the end thereof, the words "and the scheme shall not authorise the acquisition of a main transmission line belonging to the owners of a private generating station without the consent of the owners thereof."—(Mr. Attorney General.)

And the Question being proposed, That those words be there inserted in the Bill:—It was resolved in the Affirmative.

The proposed words were amended, in l. 2, by inserting, after the word "to," the words "any such undertakers or;"—(Mr. Gerald Hurst), and, so amended, were there inserted in the Bill.

Then other Amendments were made to the Bill.

Another Amendment was proposed to be made to the Bill, in p. 6, l. 39 to 43, inclusive.—(Colonel Sir Joseph Nall.)

And the Question being put, That the words proposed to be left out stand part of the Bill:—It was resolved in the Affirmative.

Another Amendment was proposed to be made to the Bill, in p. 6, l. 7, by inserting, at the end thereof, the words,—

"(6) In the event of a scheme being adopted under this Act as respects any area which comprises or is in whole or in part within the London and Home Counties electricity district, and any provisions of such scheme being inconsistent with any provisions of any scheme referred to in the London and Home Counties Electricity District Order, 1925, or in the London Electricity (No. 1) Act, 1925, or in the London Electricity (No. 2) Act, 1925, the provisions of the scheme adopted under this Act shall prevail and be deemed to supersede any provisions with which they are so inconsistent of any scheme so referred to as aforesaid, and which have not been carried out at the date when the scheme adopted under this Act becomes operative."—(Mr. Harmsworth.)

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. 6, l. 15, by leaving out the words "with the approval of the Electricity Commissioners."—(Colonel Sir Joseph Nall.)

And the Question being put, That the words proposed to be left out stand part of the Bill:—It was resolved in the Affirmative.

Another Amendment was proposed to be made to the Bill, in p. 6, l. 27, by inserting, at the end thereof, the words,—

"If the arbitrator decides that any directions of the Board requiring additional extensions or alterations of any such station impose on the owners thereof an unreasonable financial burden such directions shall become null and void."—(Colonel Sir Joseph Nall.)

And the Question being put, That those words be there inserted in the Bill:—It passed in the Negative, the words,—

The Order of the day being read, for the Horticultural Produce (Sales on Commission) Bill (Lords):

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time to-morrow.
Naval Reserve (Officer) Bill.

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time to-morrow.

Supreme Court of Judicature of Northern Ireland Bill.

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time to-morrow.

Rating (Scotland) Bill.

Ordered, That the Bill be taken into consideration upon Monday next.

Indian and Colonial Divorce Jurisdiction Bill [Lords].

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time to-morrow.

Palestine and East Africa (Guarantee) Bill.

Resolved, That this House will, to-morrow, resolve itself into the said Committee.

Merchandise Marks (Imported Goods) Bill.

Ordered, That the Bill be taken into consideration upon Monday next.

Factories (No. 2) Bill.

Ordered, That the said Order be discharged.

Wild Birds Protection Bill [Lords].

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time to-morrow.

Mental Deficiency Bill [Lords].

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time to-morrow.

Workmen's Compensation (No. 3) Bill.

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time to-morrow.

University of London Bill [Lords].

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time to-morrow.

The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Naval Reserve (Officers) Bill;

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Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time to-morrow.

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Ordered, That Mr. Speaker do issue his Warrant to the Clerk of the Crown, to make out a new Writ for the election of a Member to serve in this present Parliament for the Borough of Kingston-upon-Hull, Central Division, in the room of Commander Joseph Montagu Keyworthy, commonly called Commander the Honorable Joseph Montague Keyworthy, who, since his election for the said Borough, hath accepted the Office of Steward or Bailiff of His Majesty's Three Chilling Hundreds of Stoke, Desborough and Burnham, in the County of Buckingham.—(Sir Robert Hutchison.)

 Ordered, That the said Paper do lie upon the Table.

 Earl Winterton presented, pursuant to the directions of an Act of Parliament,—Copy of Amendments of the Regulations for the admission to the Indian Civil Service by examination in the United Kingdom made by the Secretary of State for India in Council, under Section 97 of the Government of India Act.

 Ordered, That the said Papers do lie upon Committee.)

 Mr. Secretary Amery presented, by His Irish Free State Majesty's Command,—Copy of Heads of the Ultimate Financial Settlement between the British Government and the Government of the Irish Free State.

 Ordered, That the said Papers do lie upon the Table.

 Captain Elliot presented, pursuant to the directions of an Act of Parliament,—Copy of Seventy-first Annual Report of the Registrar General for Scotland on the Births, Deaths and Marriages in Scotland for 1925.

 Ordered, That the said Paper do lie upon the Table.

 Sir William Mitchell-Thomson presented, by Wireless His Majesty’s Command,—Copies of Drafts of Broadcasting, (1) Royal Charter for which the Postmaster General proposes to apply for the incorporation of the British Broadcasting Corporation; and (2) Licence and Agreement, the terms of which have been mutually agreed upon, between His Majesty’s Postmaster General and the Governors designate of the British Broadcasting Corporation.

 Ordered, That the said Paper do lie upon the Table.

 Colonel Ashley presented, pursuant to the directions of an Act of Parliament,—Copy of an Annual Report, with Accounts, of the Port of London Authority for the year ended 31st March 1926.

 Ordered, That the said Paper do lie upon the Table.

 Mr. M'Neil presented, by His Majesty’s Stuffs Command,—Copy of Statement showing the staffs employed in Government Departments on 1st October 1926, compiled from Returns furnished to the Treasury.

 Ordered, That the said Paper do lie upon the Table.

 Mr. Neville Chamberlain presented, pursuant to the directions of several Acts of Parliament,—Copy of Order made under the Shops Act, 1912, by the Council of the undermentioned Local Authority, and confirmed by the Secretary of State for the Home Department:

 County Palatine of Lancaster.

 Copy of Licence granted to a convict, to Penal Servitude contained in Schedule A of the Penal Servitude Act, 1864.

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 Ordered, That the said Papers do lie upon the Table.
The following Paper, pursuant to the directions of an Act of Parliament, was laid upon the Table by the Clerk of the House:

Copy of the Rules of the Supreme Court (by Order of 24th August, 1826).

Mr. William Nicholson, reported from the Committee of Selection, That they had discharged the following Members from Standing Committee C:—Mr. Ernest Alexander, Mr. Harmsworth, Sir George Hume, and Mr. Lamb; and had appointed in substitution: Sir Thomas Denzil, Mr. Guinness, Mr. Solis-Deville, and Marques of Titchfield.

Ordered, That the Report be printed.

Mr. William Nicholson further reported from the Committee; That they had discharged the following Members from Standing Committee C (added in respect of the Small Holdings and Allotments Bill):—Mr. Greenwood, Mr. Thomas Kennedy, and Mr. Wheatley; and had appointed in substitution: Mr. Cees, Mr. MacLaren, and Mr. Riley.

Ordered, That the Reports do lie upon the Table.

The Parks Regulation Bill (189) was read the first time, and ordered to be read a second time upon Friday next; and to be printed.

The Sale of Food (Weights and Measures) Bill (190) was read the first time, and ordered to be read a second time upon Friday next; and to be printed.

Ordered, That the Bona Fide Travellers Bill be read a second time to-morrow.

Ordered, That the Amendments made by the Lords to the Criminal Justice (Increase of Penalties) Bill (changed to Penal Servitude Bill) be taken into consideration upon Friday next; and to be printed.

Ordered, That leave be given to bring in a Bill to facilitate the use of Wireless Telegraphy by the Blind: And that Captain Fraser, Major Astor, Mr. Walter Baker, Captain Wedgwood-Benn, Major Ruggles-Brise, Major Cohen, Mr. William Graham, and Mr. Macquisten do prepare and bring it in.

Captain Fraser accordingly presented a Bill to facilitate the use of Wireless Telegraphy by the Blind: 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 further consideration the Electricity (Supply) Bill, as amended in the Standing Committee.

Another Amendment was proposed to be made to the Bill, in p. 7, l. 38, by leaving out the word "may" and inserting the word "shall" (Mr. Waller)—instead thereof.

And the Question being put, That the words proposed to be left out stand part of the Bill:—It was passed in the Negative.

Ordered, That the Amendments made by the Lords to the Criminal Justice Bill be considered, and the Standing Committee be informed of the same:

Ordered, That the Bill be printed.

The House divided.

The Yeas to the Right;

The Noes to the Left.

Tellers for the Lords Stanely, Younger:

Yea, (Colonel Sir Joseph Nall.)

Nay, (Mr. Benjamin Smith.)

So it was resolved in the Affirmative.

Ordered, That the Amendments be reported to the Lords:

Ordered, That the Report be printed.

The House divided.

The Yeas to the Right;

The Noes to the Left.

Tellers for the Major Cope, Younger:

Yea, (Mr. Benjamin Smith.)

Nay, (Mr. Hayes.)

So it was resolved in the Affirmative.

Another Amendment was proposed to be made to the Bill, in p. 7, by leaving out II, 11 to 15, inclusive.—(Mr. Robert Morrison.)

And the Question being put, That the words proposed to be left out stand part of the Bill:—It was passed in the Negative.

And the Question being proposed, That those words be there inserted in the Bill:—It passed in the Negative.

An Amendment was proposed to be made to the proposed Amendment, in l. 2, by inserting after the word "constituted," the words "or in the area of supply of a power company."—(Colonel Sir Joseph Nall.)

And the Question being put, That those words be there inserted in the proposed Amendment:—It was passed in the Negative.

Another Amendment was proposed to be made to the proposed Amendment, in l. 2, by inserting, after the word "constituted," the words "at the date of the passing of this Act."—(Mr. Balfour.)

And the Question being put, That those words be there inserted in the proposed Amendment:—It passed in the Negative.

And the proposed words were there inserted in the Bill.

Then another Amendment was made to the Bill.

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And the Question being put, That the word "may" stand part of the Bill:—It was resolved in the Affirmative.

Another Amendment was proposed to be made to the Bill, in p. 8, l. 8, by inserting, y y 2
after the word "electricity," the words "as may be required by the Board for the purposes of the scheme (in addition to the electricity required by the owners for the purposes of their undertaking or business)."—(Mr. Dennis Herbert.)

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. 9, l. 4, by inserting, after the word "electricity," the words "or incurred under or in respect of money borrowed under section nine of this Act."—(Mr. Dennis Herbert.)

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. 10, l. 17, by inserting, after the word "expenses," the words "losses or damages."—(Mr. Dennis Herbert.)

And the Question being proposed, That those words be there inserted in the Bill:—The said proposed Amendment was, with leave of the House, withdrawn.

Then another Amendment was made to the Bill.

Another Amendment was proposed to be made to the Bill, in p. 10, l. 27, by inserting, at the end thereof, the words,—

"Provided that if any authorised owners or undertakers consider that they will be prejudiced by the requirements of the Board, they may within one month of the date of such approval by notice in writing specifying the nature of the complaint and the relief sought by them require the Board to refer the matter complained of to the decision of the arbitrator to be appointed under section four, subsections (3) and (4) of this Act, who shall have power to confirm, modify, or rescind such requirement as the circumstances of the case may justify."—(Mr. Hannon.)

And the Question being proposed, That those words be there inserted in the Bill:—The said proposed Amendment was, with leave of the House, withdrawn.

Then another Amendment was made to the Bill.

Another Amendment was proposed to be made to the Bill, in p. 10, l. 37, by inserting, at the end thereof, the words,—

"(c) The Board shall be entitled to be repaid by the Electricity Commissioners in each year the sums required to meet the interests and sinking fund charges in respect of money so borrowed, and the payment of such sums shall be treated as part of the expenses of the Electricity Commissioners, but shall be shown as a separate item in their accounts and in their demand notes for contributions towards their expenses:

Provided that the apportionment of the expenses of the Electricity Commissioners under this subsection, instead of being made in accordance with section seven of the Electricity (Supply) Act, 1922, shall be made on the basis of the revenue received from the sale of electricity other than electricity sold in bulk to authorised undertakers."—(Mr. Attorney General.)

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 "meet," the words "any such expenses or advances as aforesaid, including."—(Colonel Sir Joseph Nall.)

And the Question being proposed, That those words be there inserted in the proposed Amendment:—The Amendment to the said proposed Amendment was, with leave of the House, withdrawn.

And the proposed words were there inserted in the Bill.

Then other Amendments were made to the Bill.

Another Amendment was proposed to be made to the Bill, in p. 11, l. 13, by inserting, at the end thereof, the words,—

"(i) Notwithstanding anything in this section where any authorised undertakers have, between the passing of the Electricity (Supply) Act, 1919, and the passing of this Act, altered the frequency employed in the whole of their undertaking to such frequency as may be the standard frequency provided by the scheme within the area of which that undertaking, or any substantial part of the undertaking, is situate, those undertakers shall be relieved from contributing to any sums paid by the Board under the foregoing provisions of this section towards or on account of the expenses referred to in subsection (1) of this section."—(Colonel Sir Joseph Nall.)

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. 11, l. 28, by inserting, at the end thereof, the words,—

"(b) no authorised undertaker from whom any tramway company derives a supply of electricity for the purpose of haulage or traction, shall be required by the Board to alter the frequency of the supply delivered by them to the tramway company unless and until regulations have been previously made by the Minister of Transport authorising the use of electricity of such altered frequency on the undertaking of the tramway company, which regulations the Minister of Transport is hereby authorised to make in like manner as any regulations which may be made by him with reference to the working of the traffic on the said undertaking by electrical power."—(Sir James Grant.)

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. 43, by leaving out from the word "company" to the word "or," in p. 12, l. 4.—(Mr. Dennis Herbert.)

And the Question being put, That the words proposed to be left out stand part of the Bill:—It was resolved in the A affirmative.

Then other Amendments were made to the Bill.

Another Amendment was proposed to be made to the Bill, in p. 13, l. 41, by inserting, at the end thereof, the words—

"(6) where any authorised undertakers owning a generating station, not being a selected station, demand a supply from any other undertakers, who own both a generating station which is a selected station and a generating station which is not a selected station, the Board shall not require the imposition of such condition as aforesaid except with the consent of the last mentioned undertakers."—(Colonel Sir Joseph Nall.)

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. 14, l. 14, by leaving out the word "applicable," and inserting the words "determined by an order of"—(Colonel Sir Joseph Nall),—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 A affirmative.

Another Amendment was proposed to be made to the Bill, in p. 14, l. 35, by leaving out subsection (3), and inserting the words—

"(3) The tariff fixed under this section shall be adjusted for each electricity district constituted under section five of the Electricity Supply Act, 1919, according to the respective costs to the Board of the production and transmission of electricity within the district."—(Colonel Sir Joseph Nall),—instead thereof.

And the Question being put, That those words be there inserted in the Bill:—It was resolved in the A affirmative.

Another Amendment was proposed to be made to the Bill, in p. 14, l. 42, by inserting, after the word "company," the words "or any canal, inland navigation, dock, or harbour undertakers."—(Mr. Gerald Hurst.)

And the Question being put, That those words be there inserted in the Bill:—It was resolved in the Negative.

Another Amendment was proposed to be made to the Bill, in p. 15, l. 11, by leaving out from the word "that" to the end of Clause 12, and inserting the words "where the supply to such other authorised undertakers or railway company is given in pursuance of a contract entered into before the passing of this Act, either party to the contract may require a revision thereof, and thereby such contract shall be revised by agreement between the parties thereto or, failing such agreement, by arbitration, and subject to such revision the contract shall continue for the period for which it was made"—(Mr. Thomas Williams),—instead thereof.
Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time to-morrow.

Fertilisers and East Africa Loans [Guarantee.] The Order of the day being read, for the Committee on Palestine and East Africa Loans (Guarantee); Resolved, That this House will, to-morrow, resolve itself into the said Committee.

Wild Birds Protection Bill [Lords.] The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Wild Birds Protection Bill [Lords]; Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time to-morrow.

Mental Deficiency Bill [Lords.] The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Mental Deficiency Bill [Lords]; Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time to-morrow.

Workmen's Compensation (No. 2) Bill. The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Workmen's Compensation (No. 2) Bill; Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time to-morrow.

University of London Bill [Lords.] The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the University of London Bill [Lords]; Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time to-morrow.

Prison (Scotland) Bill. The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Prisons (Scotland) Bill; Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time to-morrow.

Fertilisers and Feeding Stuffs Bill [Lords.] The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Fertilisers and Feeding Stuffs Bill [Lords]; Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time to-morrow.

Betting (Overseas Prohibition) Bill. The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Betting Overseas (Prohibition) Bill; Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time to-morrow.

Supply. The Order of the day being read, for the Committee of Supply; Resolved, That this House will, to-morrow, resolve itself into the said Committee.

Ways and Means. The Order of the day being read, for the Committee of Ways and Means; Resolved, That this House will, to-morrow, resolve itself into the said Committee.

Whereupon Mr. Speaker, pursuant to the Order of the House of the 27th day of September last, proposed the Question, That this House do now adjourn.

And the Question being put:—It was resolved in the Affirmative.

And accordingly the House, having continued to sit till two minutes after Eleven of the clock, adjourned till to-morrow.

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Thursday, 11th November 1926.

The House met at a quarter of an hour before Three of the clock.

PRAYERS.

His Majesty's Command.—Copy of Agreement made by the Air Ministry with Imperial Airways, Limited, for the establishment of a Civil Air Transport Service between Egypt and India.

Ordered, That the said Paper do lie upon the Table.

Sir Philip Cowlliffe-Lister presented, pursuant to the directions of an Act of Parliament,—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 Brighton and Hove General Gas Company.

Ordered, That the said Paper do lie upon the Table.

Ordered, That there be laid before this House, Civil Contingencies Contingencies Fund, 1925-26, showing (1) the receipts and payments in connection with the Fund in the year ended the 31st day of March 1926; (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. M'Neill.)

Mr. Williams Nicholson reported from the Select Committee of Selection; That they had added (standing Standing Committee B (in respect of the Industrial Assurance Committee B, Juvenile Societies) Bill (Lords))—Admiral Beamish, Mr. Rhys Davies, Lord Farrer, Captain Hacking, Mr. George Harvey, Mr. Halse, Mr. Lawson, Mr. M'Neill, Mr. Trevelyan Thomson, and Mr. Watts.
Standing Committee B.

Mr. William Nicholson further reported from the Committee; That they had added the following Twenty Members to Standing Committee B (in respect of the Public Health (Smoke Abatement) Bill [Lords]) —-Mr. Albery, Commander Anthony, Mr. Neville Chamberlain, Colonel Chambers, Mr. Arthur Greenwood, Captain Gunston, Colonel Sir Arthur Holbrook, Mr. Haydn Jones, Mr. Lumsden, Colonel McDonald, Sir Alfred Mott, Mr. Preston, Mr. Bamden, Mr. Scour, Mr. Taylor, Captain Waterhouse, Mr. Viggia, Mr. Herbert Williams, and Sir Kingsley Wood.

Standing Committee C.

Mr. William Nicholson further reported from the Committee; That they had discharged the following Member from Standing Committee C (added in respect of the Small Holdings and Allotments Bill)—Mr. Blundell; and had appointed in substitution—Mr. Hard.

Standing Committee D.

Mr. William Nicholson further reported from the Committee; That they had discharged the following Twenty Members to Standing Committee D (in respect of the Housing (Rural Workers) Bill)—Lord Advocate, Mr. Barr, Sir Henry Cavendish, Mr. Neville Chamberlain, Brigadier General Charteris, Colonel Crookshank, Major George Davies, Sir Thomas Davie, Captain Elliott, Mr. Peo, Mr. Arthur Greenwood, Mr. Hurst, Mr. Thomas Kenny, Sir Mardoch Macdonald, Mr. Boyd, Major Bagley-Brian, Mr. Sholto, Mr. Wheelley, Major Sir Osbaldeston Wateler, and Sir Kingsley Wood.

Ordered, That the Reports do lie upon the Table.

Business of the House.

A Motion was made, and the Question being put, That other Government Business have precedence this day of the Business of Supply, and that the Proceedings on the Electricity (Supply) Bill be exempted, at this day's Sitting, from the provisions of the Standing Order (Sittings of the House)—(Secretary Sir William Joynson-Hicks):

The House divided.

The Yeas to the Right;

The Noes to the Left.

Tellers for the Yeas—Colonel Gilby, 228.

Tellers for the Noes—Mr. Aggas, 114.

So it was resolved in the Affirmative.

Electricity (Supply) Bill.

The Order of the day being read, for resuming the adjourned Debate on the Amendment which, upon the 10th day of this instant November, was proposed to be left on the Standing Order proposed to be made on consideration of the Electricity (Supply) Bill, as amended in the Standing Committee;

And which proposed Amendment was, in p. 16, l. 40, to insert, in lieu of the words left out of the Bill, the words "restrictions imposed by the Board."—

And the Amendment to the proposed Amendment was to leave out the words "by the Board."

And the Question being again proposed, That the words proposed to be left out stand part of the proposed Amendment.—The House resumed the said adjourned Debate.

And the Amendment to the proposed Amendment was, with leave of the House, withdrawn.

The proposed words were amended by inserting after the word "Board," the words "or by or under a scheme."—(Sir Herbert Field.)

And the Question being put, That the words "restrictions imposed by the Board or by or under a scheme on" be there inserted in the Bill.—It was resolved in the Affirmative.

Another Amendment was proposed to be made to the Bill, in p. 17, l. 37, by inserting, at the end thereof, the words—

"(4) Where under the Electricity (Supply) Acts, 1882 to 1922, or under any order made thereunder, or under any deed of transfer executed in pursuance of powers conferred by any such order, or under any special or local Act, any right to purchase the whole or any part of the undertaking of any authorized undertakers being a company is vested in a local authority (including a joint electricity authority) the authorized undertakers may at any time within ten years before the date of purchase next occurring after the passing of this Act or within ten years of any subsequent date of purchase enter into a contract with the local authority to amend, vary, or alter the terms of purchase on the next occurring date upon which they may purchase upon conditions to be agreed between the parties with the approval of the Electricity Commissioners, and the terms of such agreement shall be binding upon the parties."—(Mr. Hannon.)

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. 18, l. 20, by inserting, at the end thereof, the words—

"Provided that, in determining whether to give or withhold such consent or approval, the Minister or Commissioners shall have regard to the provisions of the scheme."—(Mr. Attorney General.)

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. 20, l. 16, by leaving out the words "annually, at such date," and inserting the words "not later than the thirty-first day of March in each year."—(Mr. Wallhead).—Instead thereof.

And the Question being proposed, That the words proposed to be left out stand part of the Bill;—The said proposed Amendment was, with leave of the House, withdrawn.
Then another Amendment was made to the Bill.

Another Amendment was proposed to be made to the Bill, in p. 21, l. 19, by leaving out the words "Electricity Commissioners," and inserting the words "Treasury."—(Colonel Sir Joseph Hall.)—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 Negative.

Another Amendment was proposed to be made to the Bill, in p. 22, l. 28, by leaving out Clause 27.—(Sir Frederic Wise.)

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: Captain Margesson: 291.

Tellers for the Noes: Mr. Radford: 23.

So it was resolved in the Affirmative.

Then other Amendments were made to the Bill.

Another Amendment was proposed to be made to the Bill, in p. 24, l. 34, by leaving out the words "attributable to," and inserting the words "employed on," and inserting the words "or of any loss sustained by reason of any share and loan capital in respect of the preceding year, such average rate being ascertained by taking—

(i) in respect of any loan capital the rate of interest to which such loan capital is entitled:

(ii) in respect of any share capital entitled to a fixed maximum rate of interest that fixed rate;

(iii) in respect of all other capital the rate of eight per centum.—(Mr. Dennis Herbert.)—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 Negative.

Another Amendment was proposed to be made to the Bill, in p. 29, l. 12, by inserting, at the end thereof, the words "together with the capital employed by the company on the undertaking authorised by the Special Order."—(Colonel Sir Joseph Hall.)

And the Question being proposed, That those words be there inserted in the Bill:—The said proposed Amendment was, with leave of the House, withdrawn.

Then other Amendments were made to the Bill.

Another Amendment was proposed to be made to the Bill, in p. 31, l. 10, by inserting, at the end thereof, the words "in respect of the phrase "in the case of any company which is a London company within the meaning of the London and Home Counties Electricity District Order, 1925, together with a share and loan capital in respect of the preceding year, such average rate being ascertained by taking—

(i) in respect of any loan capital the rate of interest to which such loan capital is entitled:

(ii) in respect of any share capital entitled to a fixed maximum rate of interest that fixed rate;

(iii) in respect of all other capital the rate of eight per centum.—(Mr. Dennis Herbert.)—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 Negative.

Another Amendment was proposed to be made to the Bill, in p. 32, l. 19, by inserting, at the end thereof, the words "Provided that in the case of any company which is a London company within the meaning of the London and Home Counties Electricity District Order, 1925, such average rate shall be taken to be the average rate of the interest payable by the company on the dividends which such company is entitled to retain or distribute in the year of account under the provisions of the London Electricity (Nos. 1 and 2) Acts, 1925, together with a proportion of any co-partnership benefit payable in such year under the said Acts or any of them."—(Mr. Hannon.)
Ordered, That the Bill be read the third time to-morrow.

The Order of the day being read, for the Horticultural Second Reading of the Horticultural Produce (Sales on Commission) Bill [Lords];
Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time to-morrow.

The Order of the day being read, for the Fertilisers and Feeding Stuffs Bill [Lords];
Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time to-morrow.

The Order of the day being read, for the Supply Committee of Supply;
Resolved, That this House will, to-morrow, resolve itself into the said Committee.

The Order of the day being read, for 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 Naval Second Reading of the Naval Reserve (Officers) Reserve (Officers) Bill;
Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time to-morrow.

The Order of the day being read, for the Supreme Court of Judicature of Northern Ireland Bill;
Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time to-morrow.

The Order of the day being read, for the Indian and Colonial Jurisdiction Bill [Lords];
Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time to-morrow.

The Order of the day being read, for the Palestine and East Africa Loans (Guarantee);
Resolved, That this House will, upon Monday next, resolve itself into the said Committee.

The Order of the day being read, for the Wild Birds Second Reading of the Wild Birds Protection Bill [Lords];
Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time to-morrow.

The Order of the day being read, for the Mental Second Reading of the Mental Deficiency Bill [Lords];
Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time upon Monday next.

The Order of the day being read, for the Workmen's Compensation (No. 2) Bill;
Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time upon Monday next.
Mr. M'Neill presented, by His Majesty's Command,—Copy of Statement relating to the employment of Ex-Service Men employed in Government Offices on 1st July 1919 and 1st October 1926, compiled from Returns furnished to the Treasury.

Ordered, That the said Paper do lie upon the Table.

Mr. Neville Chamberlain presented, pursuant to the directions of an Act of Parliament,—Copy of Regulations, dated 11th November 1926, entitled the Contributory Pensions (Workmen’s Compensation Notification) Regulations 1926.

Ordered, That the said Paper do lie upon the Table.

Mr. William Nicholson reported from the Committee of Selection; That they had discharged the following Members from Standing Committee B (added in respect of the Industrial Committee B, discharged the following Member from Standing Committee B: Mr. Ernest Craig and Mr. David Williams; and had appointed in substitution: Mr. Paling and Mr. Morrough Wilson.

Ordered, That the Reports do lie upon the Table.

An Amendment was proposed to be made to the Question, by leaving out from the word "thaterto" the end of the Question, and adding the words "this House cannot agree to the Third Reading of a Bill which, whilst purporting to secure a unified system of electricity supply, fails adequately to protect the public interests and perpetuates the existence of private ownership in a service which ought to be owned and controlled by the community and co-ordinated with the scientific production and utilisation of coal."—(Mr. Attlee), 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;

Yeas,

[Commander Eyres—201.

[Colonel Gibbs—10.

[Captain Eyres—10.

[Neville Chamberlain—10.

[Mr. Parkinson—10.

[Mr. Barnes—10.

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.
Monday, 15th November 1926.

The House met at a quarter of an hour before Three of the clock.

PRAYERS.

ORDERED, That Sir Robert Hutchinson be selected, discharged from the Committee of Selection.

Ordered, That Major Owen be added to the Committee.—(Colonel Gibbs.)

Secretary Sir William Joyman-Hicks presented, pursuant to the directions of an Act of Parliament.—Copy of Order in Council made by the Governor of Northern Ireland uniting the Counties of Antrim, Armagh, Down, Fermanagh, and Tyrone, Londonderry, and the County of the City of Londonderry, for the purposes of the Winter Assizes.

Ordered, That the said Paper do lie upon the Table.

Lord Eustace Percy presented, pursuant to the directions of an Act of Parliament,—Copy of Order in Council made by the Governor of Oxford and the University of Oxford Commissioners,—

(1) amending or repealing certain clauses of the University Statutes; and

(2) concerning the Common University Fund.

Ordered, That the said Paper do lie upon the Table; and be printed.

Mr. McKenna presented,—Return to an Order, Civil Contingencies, dated the 11th day of this instant November, 1926.

Ordered, That the said Paper do lie upon the Table; and be printed.

Mr. Guinness presented, pursuant to the directions of several Acts of Parliament,—Animals Acts, 1918, 1919, and 1920, under the Act, entitled the Foreign Animals and Canadian Cattle Order.

Ordered, That the said Return do lie upon the Table.

Copy of Report of Proceedings of the Ministry Small Holdings Colonies Acts, dated 5th November 1926, allotting additional index marks to various registration authorities.

Ordered, That the said Paper do lie upon the Table.

Colonel Ashley presented, pursuant to the Road Act, directions of an Act of Parliament,—Copy of 9th Regulations made under the Road Act, 1920, dated 11th November 1920, allotting additional index marks to various registration authorities.

Ordered, That the said Paper do lie upon the Table.
Pensions of Governors of Dominions, &c. (Act, 1911).

Mr. Secretary Amery 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 1925-26.

Ordered, That the said Paper do lie upon the Table.

Gas Regulation Act, 1920.

Sir Philip O'Connel-Lister presented, pursuant to the directions of several Acts of Parliament,—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 Gloucester Gaslight Company.

Bankruptcy.

Copy of Forty-third General Annual Report by the Board of Trade on Bankruptcy for 1925.

Ordered, That the said Papers do lie upon the Table.

Housing (Rural Workers) Bill.

Mr. Neville Chamberlain presented, by His Majesty's Command,—Copy of Memorandum on the proposed Financial Resolution relative to the Housing (Rural Workers) Bill.

Ordered, That the said Paper do lie upon the Table.

Selection Committee; Standing Committee B.

Mr. William Nicholson reported from the Committee of Selection; That they had discharged the following Member from Standing Committee B (added in respect of the Public Health (Smoke Abatement) Bill (Lords)):—Colonel McDonnell; and had appointed in substitution: Mr. Russell.

Standing Committee D (in respect of the Housing (Rural Workers) Bill).

Mr. William Nicholson further reported from the Committee; That they had added the following Member to Standing Committee B (in respect of the Public Health (Smoke Abatement) Bill (Lords)):—Dr. Vernon Davies.

Ordered, That the Report do lie upon the Table.

Chairmen’s Panel.

Mr. William Nicholson reported from the Chairmen’s Panel: That they had appointed Major Sir Richard Barrett to act as Chairman of Standing Committee B (in respect of the Industrial Assurance (Juvenile Societies) Bill (Lords) and in respect of the Public Health (Smoke Abatement) Bill (Lords)); and Sir Cyril Cole to act as Chairman of Standing Committee D (in respect of the Housing (Rural Workers) Bill).

Ordered, That the Report do lie upon the Table.

Committee of Supply.

The House, according to Order, resolved itself into the Committee of Supply.

(In the Committee.)

Civil Services and Revenue Departments Supplementary Estimate, 1926-27.

Revenue Departments.

£295,000, 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.

Resolved, That this House will, to-morrow, again resolve itself into the said Committee.

The Order of the day being read, for the Ways and Means Committee of Ways and Means.

Resolved, That this House will, to-morrow, resolve itself into the said Committee.

The Horticultural Produce (Sales on Commission) Bill (Lords) was, according to Order, read a second time.

Ordered, That the Bill be committed to a Committee of the whole House for to-morrow.—(Mr. Guinness.)

The Fertilisers and Feeding Stuff Bill (Reserves) was, according to Order, read a second time; and committed to a Standing Committee Bill (Lords).

The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Naval Reserve (Officers) (Rural Workers) Bill.

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time to-morrow.

The Order of the day being read, for the Supreme Court of Judicature of Northern Ireland Bill.

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time to-morrow.

The Order of the day being read, for the Workmen’s Compensation (No. 2) Bill.

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time to-morrow.

The Order of the day being read, for taking Rating into consideration the Rating (Scotland) Bill, (Scotland) Bill.

Ordered, That the Bill be taken into consideration upon Monday next.

The Order of the day being read, for taking Merchandise Marks (Imported Goods) Bill, as amended in the Standing Committee; to be made by the Board of Trade under the Gloucester Gaslight Company.

Ordered, That the Bill be taken into consideration upon Thursday next.

The Order of the day being read, for the Forestry Bill Second Reading of the Forestry Bill (Lords).

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time to-morrow.

The Order of the day being read, for the Palestine Committee on Palestine and East Africa Loans 1924 Bill.

Resolved, That this House will, upon Monday next, resolve itself into the said Committee.

The Order of the day being read, for the Wild Birds Protection 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 Prisons (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 University of London 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 Judicial Committee 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 Prisons (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 Parks Regulation (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 Wireless Telegraphy (Blind Persons' Facilities) Bill [Lords]; Ordered, That the Bill be committed to a Committee of the whole House for to-morrow. — (Captain Fraser.)

The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Mental Deficiency 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 University Bill [Lords]; Ordered, That the said Paper do lie upon the Table.

The House met at a quarter of an hour before Three of the clock.

The Bill of 27th day of September last, proposed the Question, That the said Paper do lie upon the Table. Whereupon Mr. Deputy Speaker, pursuant to the Standing Order of the House, adjourned the House to-morrow.

Whereupon Mr. Deputy Speaker, pursuant to the Order of the House of the 27th day of September last, proposed the Question, That this House do now adjourn.

And the Question being put:—It was resolved in the Affirmative.

And accordingly the House, having continued to sit till nineteen minutes before Nine of the clock, adjourned till to-morrow.
16th November.

Ordered, That the Report do lie upon the Table; and to be printed.

Ordered, That the Minutes of the Proceedings of the Standing Committee be printed.

Ordered, That the Bill, as amended in the Standing Committee, be taken into consideration upon Thursday next.

A Motion was made, and the Question being put, That the Proceedings on Government Business be exempted, at this day's Sitting, from the provisions of the Standing Order (Sittings of the House)—(The Prime Minister):

The House divided.

Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair; and the Chairman of Ways and Means reported, That the Committee had come to a Resolution.

Ordered, That the Report be received to-morrow.

The Chairman of Ways and Means also acquainted the House that he was directed to move, That the Committee may have leave to sit again.

Resolved, That this House will, to-morrow, again resolve itself into the said Committee.

The House, according to Order, resolved 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 1927 the sum of £3,545,000 be granted out of the Consolidated Fund of the United Kingdom.—(Mr. Nell.)

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.

Captain Margesson reported from the Committee on Supply of the Government Business, that a Supplementary sum not exceeding £205,000 be granted out of His Majesty, to defray the charge which will come in course of payment during the year ending on the 31st day of March 1927 for Salaries and Expenses of the Post Office, including Telegraphs and Telephones.

The said Resolution, being read a second time, was agreed to.

The Order of the day being read, for the Committee on the Horticultural Produce (Sales on Commission) Bill (Lords);

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 Supreme Court of Judicature of Northern Ireland Bill; Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time to-morrow.

The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Workers' Compensation (No. 2) Bill; Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time to-morrow.

The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Naval Reserve (Officers) 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 [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 Wild Birds Protection 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 Mental Deficiency 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 University of London 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 Judicial Committee 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 Prisons (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 Setting Overseas (Prohibition) Bill; Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time to-morrow.

The Order of the day being read, for the Committee on the Wireless Telegraphy (Blind Persons Facilities) Bill; Resolved, That this House will, to-morrow, resolve itself into the said Committee.

Whereupon Mr. Speaker, pursuant to the Order of the House of the 27th day of September last, proposed the Question, That this House do now adjourn.

And the Question being put:—It was resolved in the Affirmative.

And accordingly the House, having continued to sit till twelve minutes before Eleven of the clock, adjourned till to-morrow.

STANDING COMMITTEES.

Distribution by Mr. Speaker, pursuant to Standing Order No. 47, of Bills committed to a Standing Committee.

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[No. 131.]

Wednesday, 17th November 1926.

The House met at a quarter of an hour before Three of the clock.

PRAYERS.

THE Lord Advocate presented, pursuant to Education

The directions of an Act of Parliament,—(Scotland.)

Copy of Minutes of the Committee of Council on Education in Scotland, dated 11th November 1926, 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.

Secretary Sir Laming Worthington-Evans Army

presented, pursuant to the directions of an (Military

Savings Act of Parliament,—Copy of Statement of the Banks.)

Amount due by the Public to Depositors in

Military Savings Banks on 31st March 1925, and of the Receipts, Interest, and Disbursements during the year ended 31st March 1926, &c.

Ordered, That the said Paper do lie upon the Table.

Mr. William Nicholson reported from the Selection

Committee of Selection; That they had dischaged the following Members from Standing

Committee B:—Brigadier-General Sir George Cockerill, Sir Thomas Davies, and Captain Eden; and had appointed in substitution:—Admiral Bencie, Captain Jukes, and Mr. Hilton.

Ordered, That the Report do lie upon the Table.

Major Sir Richard Barnet reported from Standing

Standing Committee B, to whom the Industrial

Assurance (Juvenile Societies) 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.
Business of Housing

No. 144.

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.

The Motion was made, and the Question being put, That the Proceedings on Government Business be exempted, at this day's Sitting, from the provisions of the Standing Order (Sittings of the House) — (The Prime Minister);

The House divided.

The Yeas to the Right;
The Noes to the Left.

Tellers for the Yes, (Mr. Charles Edwards); 196.
Tellers for the Noes, (Mr. Thomas Henderson); 81.

So it was resolved in the Affirmative.

Another Amendment proposed, in L. 17, after the word "expenses," to insert the words "not exceeding one hundred thousand pounds." — (Mr. Greenwood)

Question put, That those words be there inserted.

The Committee divided.

Tellers for the Yes, (Mr. Charles Edwards); 80.
Tellers for the Noes, (Mr. Frederick Thomas); 226.

Another Amendment proposed, in L. 10, after the word "dwellings," to insert the words "which have been or are normally used for human habitation." — (Mr. Taylor)

Question put, That those words be there inserted.

The Committee divided.

Tellers for the Yes, (Mr. Charles Edwards); 81.
Tellers for the Noes, (Lord Stanley); 250.

Another Amendment proposed, in L. 12, to leave out the word "thirty-one," in order to insert the word "twenty-seven." — (Mr. Riley)

Question put, That the word "thirty-one" stand part of the Question.

The Committee divided.

Tellers for the Yes, (Major Hussey); 241.
Tellers for the Noes, (Captain Curzon); 240.

Another Amendment proposed, in L. 15, to leave out the word "two-thirds," in order to insert the word "one-third." — (Mr. Poile)

Question put, That the word "two-thirds" stand part of the Question.

The Committee divided.

Tellers for the Yes, (Major Hussey); 239.
Tellers for the Noes, (Mr. Charles Edwards); 239.

Main Question put.

The Committee divided.

Tellers for the Yes, (Lord Stanley); 238.
Tellers for the Noes, (Mr. Hayes); 238.

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.
17th November.

Sir William Mitchell-Thomson reported from the Committee of Supply of the 16th day of this instant November, a Resolution; which was read, as followeth:

Civil Services and Revenue Departments Supplementary Estimate, 1926-27. (Unclassified Services.)

That a Supplementary sum not exceeding £3,250,000 be granted to His Majesty, to defray the charge which will come in course of payment during the year ending on the 31st day of March 1927 for Relief arising out of Unemployment.

The said Resolution, being read a second time, was agreed to.

Mr. M'Neil reported from the Committee of Ways and Means of the 16th day of this instant November, 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 1927, the sum of £3,545,000 be granted out of the Consolidated Fund of the United Kingdom.

The said Resolution, being read a second time, was agreed to.

Ordered, That a Bill be brought in upon the said Resolution; And that the Chairman of Ways and Means, Mr. Chancellor of the Exchequer, and Mr. M'Neil do prepare and bring in.

Mr. M'Neil 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-seven, and to appropriate the further Supplies granted in this Session of Parliament: And the same was read the first time, and ordered to be read a second time to-morrow; and to be printed.

The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Supreme Court of Judicature of Northern Ireland Bill;

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time to-morrow.

The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Workmen's Compensation (No. 2) Bill;

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time to-morrow.

The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Naval Reserve (Officers) 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 University of London Bill [Lords];

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time to-morrow.

The Order of the day being read, for the Committee of Supply;

Resolved, That this House will, to-morrow, resolve itself into the said Committee.

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Thursday, 18th November 1926.

The House met at a quarter of an hour before Three of the clock.

PRAYERS.

Electricity Act (Supply). 

C. OLONEL Ashley, presented, by His Majesty's Command,—Copy of Special Report by the Electricity Commissioners under Section 1 of the Electric Lighting Act, 1888, dispensing with the consent of the Blean Rural District Council in the case of the Whitstable Electricity (Extension) Special Order, 1926.

Ordered, That the said Paper do lie upon the Table.

Army.

Secretary Sir Laming Worthington-Evans presented, pursuant to the directions of an Act of Parliament,—Copy of Declaration made under the Army Act as to classes of persons under sentence who are not to be transferred to the United Kingdom.

Ordered, That the said Paper do lie upon the Table.

Army.

Copy of Rules of Procedure under the Army Act.

Ordered, That the said Paper do lie upon the Table.

Army.

Copy of Amendments to Rules for—

(a) military detention barracks and military prisons;
(b) military prisons in the field.

Ordered, That the said Papers do lie upon the Table.

The following Paper, pursuant to the directions of an Act of Parliament, was laid upon the Table by the Clerk of the House:

Copy of Fifth Schedule (superseding a Schedule and supplementary to other Schedules previously laid before Parliament), containing a list and particulars of certain classes of documents existing or accruing in the Offices of the Surplus Stores, &c., Liquidation Department of His Majesty's Treasury, or transferred from the late Ministry of Munitions and Disposal and Liquidation Commission, which are not considered of sufficient public value to justify their preservation in the Public Record Office.

Ordered, That the Proceedings on the Consolidated Fund (Appropriation) (No. 2) Bill have precedence this day of the Business of Supply.—(The Prime Minister.)

Consolidated Fund (Appropriation) (No. 2) Bill.

The Consolidated Fund (Appropriation) (No. 2) Bill was, according to Order, read a second time, and committed to a Committee of the whole House for to-morrow.

The Order of the day being read, for the 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.

The Order of the day being read, for taking into consideration the Merchandise Marks (Imported Goods) Bill, as amended in the Standing Committee:

Ordered, That the Bill be taken into consideration upon Monday next.

The Order of the day being read, for taking into consideration the Local Government (County Boroughs and Adjustments) Bill [Lords.], 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 the Report from the Committee on Housing (Rural Workers) [Money.]

Ordered, That the Report be received to-morrow.

The Order of the day being read, for the Supreme Court of Judicature of Northern Ireland Bill;

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time to-morrow.

The Order of the day being read, for the Workmen’s Second Reading of the Workmen’s Compensation (No. 2) Bill;

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time to-morrow.

The Order of the day being read, for the Naval Reserve (Officers) Bill;

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time to-morrow.

The Order of the day being read, for the University of London Bill [Lords.];

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time to-morrow.

The Order of the day being read, for the Merchandise Marks (Imported Goods) Bill, as amended in the Standing Committee:

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time to-morrow.

The Order of the day being read, for the Ways and Means Committee of Ways and Means:

Resolved, That this House will, upon Monday next, resolve itself into the said Committee.

The Order of the day being read, for taking into consideration the Ways and Means Committee of Ways and Means:

Ordered, That the Bill be taken into consideration upon Monday next.

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Ordered, That the Bill be taken into consideration to-morrow.

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Ordered, That the Bill be taken into consideration upon Monday next.

The Order of the day being read, for taking into consideration the Ways and Means Committee of Ways and Means:

Ordered, That the Bill be taken into consideration to-morrow.
The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Mental Deficiency 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 Judicial Committee 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 Prisons (Scotland) Bill;
Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time to-morrow.

Resolved, That this House do now adjourn.—(Mr. Frederick Thomson.)

And accordingly the House, having continued to sit till a quarter of an hour before Eleven of the clock, adjourned till to-morrow.

Friday, 10th November 1926.
The House met at Eleven of the clock.

PRAYERS.

Consolidated Fund (Appropriation) (No. 2) Bill;
(In the Committee.)
Clauses No. 1 to No. 4 agreed to.
Schedules A and B agreed to.
Bill to be reported.

Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair; and the Chairman of Ways and Means reported, That the Committee had come to a Resolution.

Ordered, That the Bill be now read the third time:—The Bill was accordingly read the third time and passed.

Mr. Speaker's Certificate.

Ordered, That the Clerk do carry the Bill to the Lords, and desire their concurrence (the Bill having been endorsed by Mr. Speaker with the following Certificate:—
I hereby certify that this Bill is a Money Bill within the meaning of the Parliament Act, 1911.

JOHN HENRY WHITLEY,
Speaker.

University of London Bill (Lords.)
The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the University of London Bill (Lords);
And a Motion being made, and the Question being proposed, That the Bill be now read a second time;—
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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."—(Dr. Little.)

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.

Lord Eustace Percy, by His Majesty's University of London (Money) proposed to be moved, under Standing Order No. 71a, in Committee of the whole House, recommends it to the consideration of the House.

Then the House, pursuant to Standing Order No. 71a, resolved itself into Committee.

(In the Committee.)

Resolution to be reported.

Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair; and the Chairman of Ways and Means reported, That the Committee had come to a Resolution.

Ordered, That the Report be received upon Monday next.

The Supreme Court of Judicature of Northern Ireland Bill was, according to Order, read a second time;
Ordered, That the Bill be committed to a Committee of the whole House for Monday next.—(Captain Hacking.)

The Workmen's Compensation (No. 2) Bill Workmen's was, according to Order, read a second time.
Resolved, That this House will immediately resolve itself into the Committee on the Bill.—(Captain Hacking.)

The House accordingly resolved itself into the Committee.

(In the Committee.)

Clauses No. 1 and No. 2 agreed to.
Bill to be reported.

Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair; and the Chairman of Ways and Means reported, That the Committee had come to a Resolution.

Ordered, That the Report be received upon Monday next.

The Supreme Court of Judicature of Northern Ireland Bill was, according to Order, read a second time;
Ordered, That the Bill be committed to a Committee of the whole House for Monday next.—(Captain Hacking.)

The Workmen's Compensation (No. 2) Bill Workmen's was, according to Order, read a second time.
Resolved, That this House will immediately resolve itself into the Committee on the Bill.—(Captain Hacking.)

The House accordingly resolved itself into the Committee.

(In the Committee.)

Clauses No. 1 and No. 2 agreed to.
Bill to be reported.

Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair; and the Chairman of Ways and Means reported, That the Committee had come to a Resolution.

Ordered, That the Bill be now read the third time:—The Bill was accordingly read the third time and passed.

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Ordered, That the Clerk do carry the Bill to the Lords, and desire their concurrence.

Horticultural Produce (Sales on Commission) Bill [Lords].

The House, according to Order, resolved itself into a Committee on the Horticultural Produce (Sales on Commission) Bill [Lords].

(In the Committee.)

Clause No. 1, amended, and agreed to.

Clause No. 2, agreed to.

Clause No. 3, amended, and agreed to.

Clause No. 4, agreed to.

Bill, as amended, to be reported.

Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair; and the Chairman of Ways and Means reported, That the Committee had gone through the Bill, and made Amendments thereunto.

Ordered, That the Bill, as amended in the Committee, be taken into consideration upon Monday next.

Naval Reserve (Officers) Bill.

The Naval Reserve (Officers) Bill was, according to Order, read a second time. (Colonel Gibbs.)

Resolved, That this House will immediately resolve itself into the Committee on the Bill.—(Mr. Davidson.)

The House accordingly resolved itself into the Committee.

(In the Committee.)

Clauses No. 1 to No. 3 agreed to.

Bill to be reported.

Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair; and the Chairman of Ways and Means reported, That the Committee had gone through the Bill, 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 said Message.

Whereupon Mr. Deputy Speaker adjourned the House without Question put, pursuant to Standing Order No. 2, it being then twenty-eight minutes before Two of the clock, till Monday next.

Local Government (County Boroughs and Adjustments) Bill [Lords].

The Order of the day being read, for taking into consideration the Local Government (County Boroughs and Adjustments) Bill [Lords], as amended in the Standing Committee;

Ordered, That the Bill be taken into consideration upon Monday next.

Mental Deficiency Bill [Lords].

The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Mental Deficiency Bill [Lords];

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time upon Monday next.

Housing (Rural Workers) [Money].

The Order of the day being read, for receiving the Report from the Committee on Housing (Rural Workers) [Money];

Ordered, That the Report be received upon Monday next.

Forestry Bill [Lords].

The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Forestry 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 Wild Birds Protection 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 Judicial Committee 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 Prisons Bill; (Scotland)

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time upon Monday next.

Ordered, That the Lords Message of the 9th Consolidation day of this instant November communicating Bills, the Resolution, That it is desirable that all Consolidation Bills in the present Session be referred to a Joint Committee of both Houses of Parliament, be now taken into consideration.

—(Colonel Gibbs.)

The House accordingly proceeded to take the said Lords' 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.

[No. 134.]

Monday, 22nd November 1926.

The House met at a quarter of an hour before Three of the clock.

PRAYERS.

SECRETARY Sir John Gilmour presented pursuant to Standing Order No. 145, a Bill to confirm a Provisional Order under the Private Legislation Procedure (Scotland) Act, 1899, relating to Perth Corporation Bill.

Water: And the same was ordered (under Section 7 of the Act) to be taken into consideration to-morrow.

Major Byron presented, pursuant to the Ministry of Pensions from 1st April 1925 to 31st March 1926.
### League of Nations (Motion): Treaty Series

Copy of Treaty of Mutual Guarantee between the United Kingdom, Belgium, France, Germany, and Italy. Locarno, 16th October 1925. Ratifications deposited at Geneva, 14th September 1926.

**Ordered,** That the said Papers do lie upon the Table.

### Factory and Workshops (Dangerous and Unhealthy Industries)

Secretary Sir William Joynson-Hicks presented, by His Majesty's Command,—Copy of Regulations made under Section 70 of the Factory and Workshop Act, 1901, as amended, entitled the Woollen and Worsted Textiles (Lifting of Heavy Weights) Regulations, 1926.

**Ordered,** That the said Papers do lie upon the Table.

### Shops Act, 1912.

Copy of Order made under the Shops Act, 1912, by the Council of the amalgamated Local Authorities, and confirmed by the Secretary of State for the Home Department:

Rural District of Llantrisant and Llantwit Fadre.

**Ordered,** That the said Papers do lie upon the Table.

### Army (Territorial Army)

Secretary Sir Laming Worthington-Evans presented, by His Majesty's Command,—Copy of Statement showing the Financial Position of Territorial Army County Associations on 31st March 1926.

**Ordered,** That the said Paper do lie upon the Table.

### Chairman's Panel

Mr. William Nicholson reported from the Chairman's Panel: That they had appointed Mr. Short to act as Chairman of Standing Committee C (in respect of the University of London Bill [Lords])—Duchess of Atholl, Lord Hugh Osmaston, Mr. Dalton, Captain Ernest Evans, Captain Fortescue, Sir Alfred Hopton, Dr. Little, Sir John Marriott, Lord Brabourne Percey, Mr. Les Smith, Mr. Somerwill, Mr. Trencher, Mr. Webb, Mr. Withers, and Mr. Hilton Young.

**Ordered,** That the Reports do lie upon the Table.

Mr. Speaker acquainted the House, That Message from the Lords had been brought from the Lords by one of their Clerks, as follows:

The Lords have agreed to the Consolidated Consolidated Fund (Appropriation) (No. 2) Bill, without any Amendment.

The Lords have agreed to the Police Pensions Bill, without any Amendment.

The House, according to Order, proceeded to take into consideration the Merchantile Marks (Imported Goods) Bill, as amended in the Standing Committee.

A Clause (Power to grant provisional exemption from Order in Council)—Sir Philip Duncliffe-Lister was twice read; and made part of the Bill.

An Amendment was proposed to be made to the Bill, in p. 1, 1. 6, by inserting, after the word "sell," the word "or."—(Mr. Harris.) And the Question being put, That the word "or" be there inserted in the Bill; The House divided.

The Yeas to the Right;
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Tellers for the [Sir Robert Hutchison, 73. Yeas, Mr. Harris]; [Noes, Captain Margesson; 211. So it passed in the Negative.

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A Message was delivered by Lieutenant-Governor of London; General Sir William Pulleine, G.C.B., E.C.M.D., G.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 several Acts

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Committee C (in respect of the University of London Bill [Lords]):—Duchess of Atholl, Lord Hugh Osmaston, Mr. Dalton, Captain Ernest Evans, Captain Fortescue, Sir Alfred Hopton, Dr. Little, Sir John Marriott, Lord Brabourne Percey, Mr. Les Smith, Mr. Somerwill, Mr. Trencher, Mr. Webb, Mr. Withers, and Mr. Hilton Young.

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Then another Amendment was made to the Bill.

Another Amendment was proposed to be made to the Bill, in p. 2, l. 28, by leaving out the words "appropriate department," and inserting the words "Board of Trade"—(Mr. Harris), instead thereof.

And the Question being put, that the words "appropriate department" stand part of the Bill,

The House divided.

The Yeas to the Right;
The Noes to the Left.

Tellers for the Captain Viscount Curzon,
 Sir Robert Hutton: 208.

Tellers for the Noes, Major Owen: 82.

So it was resolved in the Affirmative.

Another Amendment was proposed to be made to the Bill, in p. 2, l. 33, by inserting, after the word "them," the words "that the interests of the users or consumers of such goods or"—(Mr. Harris).

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 Captain Viscount Curzon,
 Sir Robert Hutton: 79.

Tellers for the Noes, Major Owen: 205.

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. 2, l. 14, by inserting, at the beginning thereof, the words, "This section shall not have effect in respect of the application of a name or trade mark to"—(Sir Philip Cunliffe-Lister).

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 Captain Viscount Curzon,
 Mr. Thomas Hender: 75.

Tellers for the Noes, Captain Bowyer: 224.

So it was passed in the Negative.

Then other Amendments were made to the Bill.

Another Amendment was proposed to be made to the Bill, in p. 2, l. 24, by leaving out the word "six," and inserting the word "twelve"—(Mr. Barnes), instead thereof.

And the Question being put, That the word "six" stand part of the Bill;

The House divided.

The Yeas to the Right;
The Noes to the Left.

Tellers for the Captain Viscount Curzon,
 Mr. Thomas Hender: 70.

Tellers for the Noes, Mr. Benjamin Smith: 78.

So it was resolved in the Affirmative.

Then other Amendments were made to the Bill.

Another Amendment was proposed to be made to the Bill, in p. 2, l. 26, by leaving out the word "appropriate department," and inserting the words "Board of Trade"—(Mr. Harris).

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 Captain Viscount Curzon,
 Mr. Frederick Thomson: 234.

Tellers for the Noes, Mr. Thomas Henderson: 82.

So 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 Nos to the Left.
Tellers for the
Captain Viscount Curzon,
Mr. Frederick Thesiger,
Mr. Thomas Hender son:
Tellers for the
Noes, Mr. Hayes:
So it was resolved in the Affirmative.

Another Amendment was proposed to be made to the Bill, in p. 3, l. 18, by leaving out subsection (4).—(Miss Lawrence.)
And the Question being put, That the words proposed to be left out, to the word "should," in l. 20, stand part of the Bill; The House divided.
The Yeas to the Right;
The Nos to the Left.
Tellers for the
Lord Stanley, Captain Margesson:
Mr. Hayas:
Mr. Bineyman Smith:
So it was resolved in the Affirmative.

Another Amendment was proposed to be made to the Bill, in p. 4, l. 19, by inserting, after the word "goods," the words "being foodstuffs."—(Mr. Harris.)
And the Question being put, That those words be there inserted in the Bill; The House divided.
The Yeas to the Right;
The Nos to the Left.
Tellers for the
Sir Robert Hutchison, Major Owen:
Tellers for the
Lord Stanley, Captain Margesson:
So it passed in the Negative.

Another Amendment was proposed to be made to the Bill, in p. 4, l. 3, by inserting, after the word "re-exportation," the words "or the ultimate destination of which is not determined at the time of importation."—(Mr. Harris.)
And the Question being put, That those words be there inserted in the Bill; The House divided.
The Yeas to the Right;
The Nos to the Left.
Tellers for the
Sir Robert Hutchison, Major Owen:
Tellers for the
Major Hennessy, Captain Margesson:
So it passed in the Negative.

Another Amendment was proposed to be made to the Bill, in p. 4, l. 6, by inserting, at the end thereof, the words,—
"(c) This section shall not apply to goods imported for the purpose of forming part of

or for use with other manufactured goods, or for purposes of replacement, repair, or maintenance, and which goods so imported are—
(a) of so small a size as to render marking impracticable; or
(b) of such a nature that marking would impair their efficiency; or
(c) of such a nature that it would not be practically possible to apply either at all or effectively an indication of origin."—(Mr. Robert Morrison.)
And the Question being proposed, That those words be there inserted in the Bill;— And a Debate arising thereupon;
And it being Eleven of the clock, the Debate stood adjourned.
Ordered, That the Debate be resumed tomorrow.

Major Hennessy reported from the Committee on Housing (Rural Workers) [Money], a Resolution, which was read as followeth:

That for the purposes of any Act of the present Session to promote the provision of housing accommodation for agricultural workers and for persons whose economic condition is substantially the same as that of such workers and the improvement of such accommodation, by authorising the giving of financial assistance towards the reconstruction and improvement of houses and other buildings, it is expedient to authorise the payment out of moneys provided by Parliament of any expenses incurred by a local authority in making grants under the said Act, including any contributions made by him towards any expenses incurred by a local authority in making grants under the said Act in respect of dwellings, subject always to the following conditions —

(a) the application for assistance must have been received by the local authority before the first day of October, nineteen hundred and thirty-one;
(b) in calculating the amount of a contribution no account shall be taken of such part, if any, of the grant in respect of the dwelling as exceeds either two-thirds of the estimated cost of the works in respect of which the grant was made, or the sum of one hundred pounds:
Provided that where a grant is made by the provision of periodical sums the amount of the grant shall be taken to be an amount equal to the capital value of the sums to be so provided, calculated as on the date of the completion of the works;

(c) any such contributions shall be made by way of annual payments for a period of twenty years from the completion of the works in respect of which the grant was made and shall be an amount equal to one-half of the estimated average annual payments falling to be made by the local authority in respect of the charges on account of loans raised by the authority for the purposes of grants, or which would have fallen to be so made if the sums expended by the local authority on account of the grant has been raised by means of loans.
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, 
    {Lord Stanley ;} 208.
Tellers for the Noes, 
    {Mr. Thomas Kennedy;} 70.
So it was resolved in the Affirmative.

The Order of the day being read, for taking into consideration the Rating (Scotland) Bill as amended in the Standing Committee;
Ordered, That the Bill be taken into consideration upon Thursday next.

The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Parks Regulation (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 Sale of Food (Weights and Measures) Bill [Lords];
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The Order of the day being read, for taking into consideration the Industrial Assurance (Juvenile Societies) Bill [Lords], 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 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 on University of London [Money];
Ordered, That the Report be received to-morrow.

The Order of the day being read, for taking into consideration the Horticultural Produce (Sales on Commission) Bill [Lords], as amended in the Committee;
Ordered, That the Bill be taken into consideration upon Thursday next.

The Order of the day being read, for taking Local Government (County Boroughs and Adjustments) Bill [Lords], as amended in the Standing Committee;
Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time to-morrow.

The Order of the day being read, for the Mental Deficiency (Scotland) Bill [Lords];
Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time to-morrow.

The Order of the day being read, for the Forestry Bill [Lords];
Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time to-morrow.

The Order of the day being read, for the Wild Birds Protection Bill [Lords];
Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time to-morrow.

The Order of the day being read, for the Judicial Committee Bill [Lords];
Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time to-morrow.

The Order of the day being read, for the Prisons (Scotland) Bill; [Lords];
Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time to-morrow.

The Order of the day being read, for the Betting Overseas (Prohibition) Bill;
Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time to-morrow.

Whereupon Mr. Speaker, pursuant to the Order of the House of the 27th day of September last, proposed the Question, That this House do now adjourn.
And the Question being put:—It was resolved in the Affirmative.

And accordingly the House, having continued to sit till thirteen minutes 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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Tuesday, 23rd November 1926.

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 Perth Corporation Water Order Confirmation Bill.

Ordered, That the Bill be read the third time to-morrow.

Mr. Samuel Hoare presented, pursuant to the directions of an Act of Parliament,—Copy of Order in Council, dated 20th November 1926, making Regulations under Section 2 (1) of the Emergency Powers Act, 1920, entitled the Emergency Regulations (No. 8), 1926.

Ordered, That the said Paper do lie upon the Table.

Mr. Neville Chamberlain presented, pursuant to the directions of an Act of Parliament,—Copy of Order, dated 10th November 1926, made by the Minister of Health, entitled the Boards of Guardians (Orders of Removal) Order, 1926.

Ordered, That the said Paper do lie upon the Table.

Mr. Robert Sanders reported from Standing Committee C, to whom the Small Holdings and Allotments 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. William Nicholson reported from the Standing Committee of Selection; that they had discharged the following Members from Standing Committee C:—Major Edmondson and Sir Sydney Henn; and had appointed in substitution: Captain Elliot and Mr. Solicitor General for Scotland.

Ordered, That the Report do lie upon the Table.

Secretary Sir William Joynson-Hicks, 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 20th day of November 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 20th day of November 1926, to declare that a state of emergency exists.

A Motion was made, and the Question being put, That the Proceedings on the Merchandise Marks (Imported Goods) Bill be exempted, at this day’s Sitting, from the provisions of the Standing Order (Sittings of the House)—(Commanders Eyns-Monwell); The House divided. The Yeas to the Right; The Noes to the Left. Tellers for the [Major Homeless. Yeas, Major Cope; Tellers for the [Mr. Hayes. Noses, Mr. Benjamin Smith; So it was resolved in the Affirmative.

The Order of the day being read, for resuming Merchandise Marks (Imported Goods) Bill was proposed to be made on consideration of the Merchandise Marks (Imported Goods) Bill, as amended in the Standing Committee:

Which Amendment was, in p. 4, l. 6, to insert, at the end thereof, the words,—

"(5) This section shall not apply to goods imported for the purpose of forming part of or for use with other manufactured goods, or
for purposes of replacement, repair, or maintenance, and which goods so imported are—
(a) of so small a size as to render marking impracticable; or
(b) of such a nature that marking would impair their efficiency; or
(c) of such a nature that it would not be practically possible to apply either at all or effectively an indication of origin."

And the Question being again proposed, that those words be there inserted in the Bill:—The House resumed the said adjourned Debate.

And the Question being put;—The Yeas to the Right;—The Noes to the Left.

Tellers for the /Mr. Hayes, /Mr. Benjamin Smith : 87.
Tellers for the /Mr. Frederick Thoms¬- son : 205.

So it passed in the Negative.

Then other Amendments were made to the Bill.

Another Amendment was proposed to be made to the Bill, in p. 5, l. 19, by leaving out the word "three," and inserting the word "six"—(Mr. Harris)—instead thereof.

And the Question being put, That the word "three" stand part of the Bill:

The House divided.

The Yeas to the Right;—The Noes to the Left.

Tellers for the /Major Copp, /Mr. Frederick Thom¬- son : 271.
Tellers for the /Mr. Harris : 108.

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. 5, l. 28, by inserting, at the end thereof, the words—

"( ) A committee may and shall if so required by any persons representing interests substantially affected report as to what provision should be made under which imported goods of a perishable nature not marked or distinguished in accordance with an Order in Council may be landed, unshipped, or transhipped, including provisions (if the committee think fit) for the consignee entering into bond with one sufficient surety in such sum as the committee may recommend for the marking or distinguishing of such goods in accordance with the requirements of such order, so far as practicable, before the sale or exposure for sale thereof in the United Kingdom"—(Mr. Harris.)

And the Question being put, That those words be there inserted in the Bill:

The House divided.

The Yeas to the Right;—The Noes to the Left.

Tellers for the /Sir Robert Hutchison, /Major Owen : 105.
Tellers for the /Major Hennessy, /Lord Stanley : 233.

So it passed in the Negative.

Another Amendment was proposed to be made to the Bill, in p. 5, l. 11, by inserting, at the end thereof, the words—

"(8) This section shall not apply to goods of a class or description which are not manufactured or produced in substantial quantities for sale in the United Kingdom."—(Mr. Cuseh-Lister).

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. Charles Edwards, /Mr. Thomas Hender¬- son : 102.
Tellers for the /Mr. Frederick Thom¬- son, /Captain Bowyer : 230.

So it passed in the Negative.

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The House divided.

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Tellers for the /Mr. Harris : 108.

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. 5, l. 28, by inserting, at the end thereof, the words—

"This section shall not apply to raw fruit or raw vegetables."—(Mr. Harris.)

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. Robert Hutchison, /Major Owen : 109.
Tellers for the /Major Hennessy, /Lord Stanley : 268.

So it passed in the Negative.

Another Amendment was proposed to be made to the Bill, in p. 6, l. 10, by inserting, at the beginning thereof, the word "wilfully."

—(Mr. Harris.)

And the Question being put, That the word "wilfully" be there inserted in the Bill:

The House divided.

The Yeas to the Right;—The Noes to the Left.

Tellers for the /Mr. Robert Hutchison, /Major Owen : 109.
Tellers for the /Major Hennessy, /Lord Stanley : 268.

So it passed in the Negative.

Then other Amendments were made to the Bill.

Another Amendment was proposed to be made to the Bill, in p. 7, l. 29, by leaving out the words "such Order in Council shall come into force," and inserting the words "the draft of the Order is laid before Parliament"—(Sir Philip Cunliffe-Lister)—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.
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Tellers for the Yeas, Mr. Charles Edwards, Mr. Thomas Hender-
son 106.
Tellers for the Noes, Major Cope 258.
So it passed in the Negative.
And the proposed words were there inserted in the Bill.

Another Amendment was proposed to be made to the Bill, in p. 7, l. 30, by inserting, at the end thereof, the words “and shall not apply to the distribution of general trade catalogues or price lists.”—(Miss Lawrence.)

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. Charles Edwards, Mr. Hayes 102.
Tellers for the Captain Viscount Curzon, Captain Margesson 258.
So it passed in the Negative.

Another Amendment was proposed to be made to the Bill, in p. 7, l. 31, by leaving out subsection (3).—(Mr. Harris.)

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. Frederick Thomas, Lord Stanley 236.
Tellers for the Sir Robert Hutchinson, Major Owen 99.
So it was resolved in the Affirmative.

Another Amendment was proposed to be made to the Bill, in p. 10, l. 1, by inserting, after the word “foodstuffs,” the words “to which an Order in Council under this Act applies.”—(Mr. Guinness.)

And the Question being put, That those words be there inserted in the Bill;
The House divided.
The Yeas to the Right;
The Noes to the Left.
Tellers for the Mr. Frederick Thomas, Lord Stanley 236.
Tellers for the Sir Robert Hutchinson, Major Owen 99.
So it was resolved in the Affirmative.

Another Amendment was proposed to be made to the Bill, in p. 10, l. 1, by leaving out from the word “protection” to the end of l. 12.—(Mr. Webb.)

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.

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Division for the Ayes, Mr. Speaker declared that the Noes had it.

Then another Amendment was made to the Bill.

Another Amendment was proposed to be made to the Bill, in p. 11, l. 15, by inserting, after the words last inserted, the words 'provided that the assembling or setting up of parts of any manufactured article shall not be held to be a substantial change within the meaning of this section.'—(Mr. Basil Peto.)

And the Question being put, That those words be there inserted in the Bill:—The House proceeded to a Division.

But there being no Member willing to act as Teller for the Ayes, Mr. Speaker declared that the Noes had it.

Then other Amendments were made to the Bill.

Another Amendment was proposed to be made to the Bill, in p. 11, by leaving out 11. 38 and 39, inclusive.—(Mr. Webb.)

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 (Lord Stanley),

Yea, (Captain Margesson : ) 232.

Tellers for the (Mr. Charles Edwards,)

Noe, (Mr. Hayes : ) 99.

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. 12, l. 15, by inserting, at the end thereof, the words,—

""Substantial change by reason of a manufacturing process does not include a change effected in any textile material by way of bleaching, dyeing, or finishing."—(Mr. Wiggins.)

And the Question being put, That those words be there inserted in the Bill:—The House divided.

The Yeas to the Right; The Noes to the Left.

Tellers for the (Sir Robert Hutchison,)

Yea, (Major Cope : ) 100.

Tellers for the (Mr. Charles Edwards,)

Noe, (Captain Margesson : ) 222.

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. 13, l. 35, by inserting, at the end thereof, the words,—

"(8) This Act shall come into operation on the first day of April, nineteen hundred and twenty-seven."—(Mr. Harris.)

And the Question being put, That those words be there inserted in the Bill:—It passed in the Negative.

Ordered, That the Bill be read the third time to-morrow.

Viscount Wolmer reported from the Committee on University of London [Money] a Resolution; which was read, as followeth:

That for the purposes of any Act of the present Session making further provision with respect to the University of London, it is expedient to authorise the payment out of moneys provided by Parliament of all expenses incurred in the execution of the said Act by the Commissioners appointed thereunder up to an amount approved by the Treasury, including such remuneration as the Treasury may determine to be payable to persons employed by the said Commissioners.

The said Resolution, being read a second time, was agreed to.

The Order of the day being read, for the Parks Regulation (Amendment) Bill [Lords];

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time to-morrow.

The Order of the day being read, for the Sale of Food Second Reading of the Sale of Food (Weights and Measures) Bill [Lords];

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time to-morrow.

The Order of the day being read, for the Indian and Colonial Divorce Jurisdiction Bill [Lords];

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time to-morrow.

The Order of the day being read, for taking into consideration the Industrial Assistance (Juvneille Societies) Bill [Lords], 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 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 Mental Deficiency Bill [Lords];

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time to-morrow.

The Order of the day being read, for the Forestry Bill Second Reading of the Forestry Bill [Lords];

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time to-morrow.

The Order of the day being read, for the Wild Birds Protection Bill [Lords];

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time to-morrow.
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The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Judicial Committee 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 Prisons (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 Betting Overseas (Prohibition) Bill;

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 Mayor, Aldermen, and Burgesses of the Borough of Widnes, which was presented on the 4th August and published, be approved.—(Sir Burton Chadwick.)

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 Farnham Gas and Electricity Company, which was presented on the 25th October and published, be approved.—(Sir Burton Chadwick.)

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 Godalming Gas and Coke Company, Limited, which was presented on the 25th October and published, be approved.—(Sir Burton Chadwick.)

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 Hampton Court Gas Company, which was presented on the 25th October and published, be approved.—(Sir Burton Chadwick.)

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 Herne Bay Gas Company, Limited, which was presented on the 25th October and published, be approved.—(Sir Burton Chadwick.)

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 Ludlow Union Gas Company, Limited, which was presented on the 25th October and published, be approved.—(Sir Burton Chadwick.)

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 United District Gas Company, which was presented on the 23rd October and published, be approved.—(Sir Burton Chadwick.)

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 Widnes, which was presented on the 23rd October and published, be approved.—(Sir Burton Chadwick.)

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 eighteen minutes before Twelve of the clock, till to-morrow.

Wednesday, 24th November 1926.

The House met at a quarter of an hour before Three of the clock.

Prayers.

The Forth Corporation Water Order Confirmation Bill was, according to Order, read the third time and passed.

Ordered, That the Clerk do carry the Bill to the Lords, and desire their concurrence.

Secretary Sir John Gilmour presented a Bill to confirm a Provisional Order under the Private Legislation Procedure (Scotland) Act, 1899, relating to Stornoway Harbour; And Bill the same was ordered (under Section 7 of the Act) to be taken into consideration to-morrow.

Secretary Sir Austen Chamberlain presented, League of Nations (Messestour) Act, 1926.)

Sir Philip Cunliffe-Lister presented, pursuant gas to the directions of an Act of Parliament,—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 Ludlow Union Gas Company, Limited. 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 Ludlow Union Gas Company, Limited.

Ordered, That the said Paper do lie upon the Table.

Mr. Secretary Amery presented, by His Imperial Major's Command.—Copy of Summary of Conference, Proceedings of the Imperial Conference, 1926, 1926.

Copy of Appendices to the Summary of Imperial Proceedings of the Imperial Conference, 1926.

Ordered, That the said Papers do lie upon the Table.

Mr. William Nicholson reported from the Select Committee of Selection, that they had discharged the following Members from Standing Committee D:—Commander Anthony, Mr. Committee D, Campbell, Mr. Harrison, and Colonel Headlam; and had appointed in substitution: Colonel Fremantle, Colonel Hennessy, Colonel Perkins, and Sir Alexander Sprat.

Mr. William Nicholson further reported from Standing Committee that they had added the Committee D.
following Member to Standing Committee D
in respect of the Housing (Rural Workers)
Bill: Captain Bourne.
Ordered, That the Reports do lie upon the
Table.

Major Sir Richard Barnett reported from
Standing Committee B, to whom the Public
Health (Smoke Abatement) Bill [Lords], was
referred: That they had gone through the
Bill, and made Amendments thereunto.
No. 147. 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 considera-
tion upon Friday next; and be printed.

Mr. Speaker acquainted the House, That a
Message from the Lords, 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. Webb.)

The Lords have appointed a Committee
consisting of six Lords to join with a Committee
of the Commons to consider of all Consolidation
Bills in the present Session, and request the
Commons to appoint an equal number of their
Members to be joined with the said Lords.

The Order of the day being read, for the
Third Reading of the Merchandise Marks
(Imported Goods) 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. Webb.)

And the Question being put, That the word
"now" stand part of the Question;
The House divided.
The Yeas to the Right;
The Noses to the Left.
Tellers for the Yeas, "Commander Eyres
Monsell, Colonel Gibbs :"
Tellers for the Noses, "Mr. Thomas Hender-
son, Mr. Charles Edwards :"
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 the
Second Reading of the Parks Regulation
(Amendment) Bill [Lords];
Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time
to-morrow.

Sale of Food (Weights and Measures)
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 Indian and Colonial
Divorce Jurisdiction Bill [Lords];
Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time
to-morrow.

The Order of the day being read, for taking Industrial
into consideration the Industrial Assurance
Assurance (Juvenile Societies) Bill [Lords], not amended.

Ordered, That the Bill be taken into considera-
tion to-morrow.

The Order of the day being read, for the Supply.
Committee of Supply;
Resolved, That this House will, to-morrow,
resolve itself into the said Committee.

The Order of the day being read, for the Ways and
Committee of Ways and Means;
Resolved, That this House will, to-morrow,
resolve itself into the said Committee.

The Order of the day being read, for the Mental
Second Reading of the Mental Deficiency Bill [Lords];
Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time
to-morrow.

The Order of the day being read, for the Forestry Bill
Second Reading of the Forestry Bill [Lords];
Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time
to-morrow.

The Order of the day being read, for the Wild Birds
Protection Bill [Lords];
Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time
to-morrow.

The Order of the day being read, for the Prisons
Second Reading of the Prisons (Scotland) Bill [Lords];
Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time
to-morrow.

The Order of the day being read, for the Betting
Second Reading of the Betting Overseas Bill
(Prohibition) Bill;
Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time
to-morrow.

Whereupon Mr. Speaker, pursuant to the
Order of the House of the 27th day of September
last, proposed the Question, That this House
do now adjourn.

And the Question being put:—It was
resolved in the Affirmative.

And accordingly the House, having con-
tinued to sit till a quarter of an hour
after Right of the clock, adjourned till
to-morrow.
[No. 137.]
Thursday, 25th November 1926.

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 Stornoway Harbour Order Confirmation Bill.

Ordered, That the Bill be read the third time.

Colonel Ashley presented, pursuant to the directions of an Act of Parliament—Copy of Special Order made by the Electricity Commissioners, and confirmed by the Minister of Transport, under the Electricity (Supply) Act, 1919, authorising the London Electric Supply Corporation, Limited, to supply electricity to be used for purposes incidental to the working or lighting of certain railways.

Ordered, That the said Paper do lie upon the Table.

Sir Philip Cunliffe-Lister presented, pursuant to the directions of an Act of Parliament—Copies of Drafts of Special Orders proposed to be made by the Board of Trade under the Gas Regulation Act, 1920, on the application of the

(1) Mayor, Aldermen, and Burgesses of the Borough of Warrington;
(2) Hoddesdon Gas and Coke Company, Limited;
(3) Redditch Gas Company;
(4) Leighton Buzzard Gas Company.

Ordered, That the said Paper do lie upon the Table.

Mr. Neville Chamberlain presented, pursuant to the directions of an Act of Parliament—Copy of Draft of an Order proposed to be made by the Board of Trade under the Housing (Financial Provisions) Act, 1924.

Ordered, That the said Paper do lie upon the Table; and be printed.

A Motion was made, and the Question being put, That other Government Business have precedence this day of the Business of Supply—(The Prime Minister);

The House divided.
The Yeas to the Right;
The Noes to the Left.

Tellers for the [Colonel Gibbs, Major Hemmings;]
Yea.s, 160.

Tellers for the [Mr. Buchanan; Mr. Singh;]
Noes, 72.

So it was resolved in the Affirmative.

The House, according to Order, proceeded to take into consideration the Rating (Scotland) Bill, as amended in the Standing Committee.

A Clause was offered to be added to the Bill (Rates on lands and heritages not usually let for less than a year, but occupied for part of a year).—(The Lord Advocate.)

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 [Major Cope, Mr. Frederick Thomas;]
Yea.s, 161.

Tellers for the [Mr. Horatio; Mr. Maitland;]
Noes, 69.

So it was resolved in the Affirmative.

The said Clause was accordingly read a second time; and made part of the Bill.

Another Clause was offered to be added to the Bill (For protection of trustees of port and harbours of Greenock).—(Colonel Thomas.)

And the said Clause was brought up, and read the first and second time, and amended in l. 2, by leaving out the words "or the gross annual valuation"—(The Lord Advocate)—and in l. 8, by leaving out the words "or the gross annual valuation, as the case may be"—(The Lord Advocate)—and, so amended, was made part of the Bill.

Another Clause was offered to be added to the Bill (For protection of trustees of port and harbours of Greenock).—(Colonel Thomas.)

And the said Clause was brought up, and read the first and second time, and amended at the beginning thereof by inserting the words " until the 15th day of May 1922 and "—(The Lord Advocate)—and, so amended, was made part of the Bill.

Another Clause was offered to be added to the Bill (For protection of trustees of port and harbours of Greenock).—(Colonel Thomas.)

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 (For protection of trustees of port and harbours of Greenock).—(Mr. Westwood.)

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. Charles Edwards, Mr. Thomas Hender;]
Yea.s, 74.

Tellers for the [Mr. Frederick Thomas; Mr. Royster;]
Noes, 167.

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. 38, by inserting, at the end thereof, the words,—

"Provided that the rating authority shall, prior to the fifteenth day of June in each year, intimate to parish councils whether there is a credit or debit balance in the parish rate account for the previous year and the amount of it, and in the event of there being a credit balance the rating authority shall, within twenty-one days of the receipt from the parish council of the certificate as to the amount required to be provided by the rating authority for the current year, pay over such balance to the parish council as a first instalment of the amount contained in such certificate."—(Sir Robert Hutchison.)

And the Question being put, That those words be there inserted in the Bill:—It passed in the Negative.

Then other Amendments were made to the Bill.

Another Amendment was proposed to be made to the Bill, in p. 7, l. 39, by inserting, at the end thereof, the words,—

"Provided that in assessing the value of burial grounds for rating under this section due allowance shall be made for the extinguishable nature of their asset and the provision to be made for the future upkeep thereof."—(Colonel Thorn.)

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. 8, l. 39, by inserting, at the end thereof, the words,—

"(3) Save as provided in subsections (1) and (2) of this section the annual value of all lands and heritages for the purposes of all rates (other than water rates leviable under a local Act) shall be the gross annual value thereof, subject to the provisions of subsection (6) of this section or of section forty-five of the Burgh Police (Scotland) Act, 1905, or the corresponding provisions of any local Act."—(The Lord Advocate.)

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. 9, l. 42, by inserting, at the end thereof, the words,—

"Provided that the Secretary of State may at any time after five years from the passing of this Act on the application of any association or body representing any class of lands and heritages set out in the First Schedule to this Act by order direct that the amount of deduction of such class as provided by the said Schedule shall be altered to such extent as he may think proper, and such alteration shall thereafter have effect as if it had been provided and enacted in this Act:

Provided—

(a) that, when any such application has been dealt with as aforesaid, it shall not be competent to make another application in respect of the same class of lands and heritages until the expiry of five years from the date of the determination by the Secretary of State;

(b) the Secretary of State, before making any such order as aforesaid, shall by means of an inquiry or otherwise, as he may determine, afford an opportunity to associations or bodies representing other classes of lands and heritages to be heard regarding any such application as aforesaid in relation to its effect upon such other classes."—(Mr. Macquisten.)

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. 19, l. 19, by inserting, after the word "not," the words "able to be.

"—(Mr. Buchanan.)

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. Charles Edwards, Mr. Thomas Hender- son : 71.

Tellers for the Noes;

Major Cape, Mr. Frederick Thom- sen : 162.

So it passed in the Negative.

Then other Amendments were made to the Bill.

A Motion was made, and the Question being put, That further consideration of the Bill, as amended, be now adjourned.—(Mr. Johnston):

The House divided.

The Yeas to the Right;

The Noes to the Left.

Tellers for the Yeas,

Mr. Westwood, Mr. Johnston : 64.

Tellers for the Noes;


So it passed in the Negative.

Then other Amendments were made to the Bill.
The Order of the day being read, 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 Prisons (Scotland) 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, upon Monday next, resolve itself into the said Committee.

Ordered, That a Select Committee of Six be nominated, to consider a Bill, the title of such Bill to be:—Constitutional and Administration of Prisons Bill (Scotland), as amended in the Standing Committee.

The Order of the day being read, for the Committee of Ways and Means;

Resolved, That this House will, to-morrow, resolve itself into the said Committee.

The Order of the day being read, for the Committee on Palestine and East Africa Loans (Guarantee);

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 Supreme Court of Judicature of Northern Ireland Bill;

Ordered, That the Lords' Message of the 24th day of this instant November, relating to Consolidation Bills, be now read into consideration—Mr. Frederick Thomson:—The House accordingly proceeded to take the said Message into consideration.

Ordered, That a Select Committee of Six 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.

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 Colonel England, Sir Malcolm Macnaghten, Mr. Neville, Mr. Robert Hudson, Colonel Windsor-Clive, and Sir Henry Stanser.

Ordered, That the Committee have power to send for persons, papers, and records.

Ordered, That Three be the quorum of the Committee.—(Mr. Frederick Thomson.)
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25th—26th November, 1926.

A Motion was made, and the Question being proposed, That in accordance with the Church of England Assembly (Powers) Act, 1919, this House do direct that the Union of Benefices and Disposal of Churches (Metropolis) Measure, 1926, be presented to His Majesty for Royal Assent—(Lord Hugh Cecil)—And a Debate arising thereupon;

And the House, having continued to sit till after Twelve of the clock on Friday morning:

Friday, 26th November 1926:

Sir Henry Craik 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;

The House divided.

The Yeas to the Right;

The Noes to the Left.

Tellers for the Yeas, Colonel Sir George Courthope: 27.

Tellers for the Noes, Mr. Edward Grenfell, Sir Vanessa R Boissevain: 124.

So it passed in the Negative.

And it being after half-past Eleven of the clock on Thursday evening, Mr. Speaker adjourned the House without Question put, pursuant to the Standing Order, it being then twelve minutes after Twelve of the clock on Friday morning, till this day.

[No. 138.]

Friday, 26th November 1926.

The House met at Eleven of the clock.

PRAYERS.

Ordered, That the Stormonty Harbour Order Confirmation Bill be read the third time upon Monday next.

A Public Petition was presented, and read, and ordered to lie upon the Table.

Earl Winterton presented, pursuant to the directions of an Act of Parliament—Copy of Amendments of the Indian Legislative Rules and of the Provincial Legislative Council Rules made by the Governor General of India in Council, with the sanction of the Secretary of State in Council, under Sections 67, 72o (6) and 123a of the Government of India Act.

Ordered, That the said Paper do lie upon the Table.

Secretary Sir Austen Chamberlain presented, by His Majesty’s Command,—Copy of Report of the Advisory Committee, together with other documents respecting the China Indemnity.

Ordered, That the said Paper do lie upon the Table.

Lord Eustace Percy presented, pursuant to Greenwich the directions of several Acts of Parliament,—Hospital Copy of Order in Council, dated 5th November 1926, approving Admiralty Memorial relating to the payment of pensions, and an increase of salary, to certain Officers of Greenwich Hospital.

Copy of Order in Council, dated 5th November Naval 1926, approving an Admiralty Memorial relating to a reduction in the period within which Priced Money Accounts are kept open from date of distribution.


Copies of Orders in Council, dated 5th No- vember 1926, relating to—

(1) dues payable in respect of the Basses and Minnowy Lights; and

(2) exemption of Belgian ships from certain provisions of the Merchant Shipping Acts.

Copy of Order in Council under the Crown Rent Office Act, 1877, dated 5th November 1926, entitled the Crown Office Rules (No. 1) Order, 1926.

Copy of Order in Council under the Copy- Copyright Act, 1911, dated 5th November 1926, entitled the Berne Copyright Convention (Rou­ mania) Order, 1926.

Ordered, That the said Papers do lie upon the Table.

Mr. Guinness presented, pursuant to the direction of an Act of Parliament,—Copy of Directions of the Government of India Act, 1865. an Order made under the Diseases of Animals Acts, dated 19th November 1926, regarding the landing of one parcel for the Clifton (Bristol) Zoological Gardens.

Ordered, That the said Paper do lie upon the Table.

Sir Park Goff reported from the Committee Private Bills 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.

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 Lead Paint (Protection against Poisoning) Bill, with an Amendment; to which the Lords desire the concurrence of this House.

Ordered, That the Amendment made by the Lead Paint Lords to the Lead Paint (Protection against Poisoning) Bill be taken into consideration upon Monday next; and be printed.

Bill 195.
Mr. William Nicholson reported from the Committee of Selection; That they had discharged the following Member from Standing Committee D:—Brigadier-General Brooke; and had appointed in substitution: Captain Brass.

Ordered, That the Report do lie upon the Table.

A Motion was made, and the Question being proposed, That the Regulations made by His Majesty in Council under the Emergency Powers Act, 1920, by Order dated the 20th day of November 1926, shall continue in force, subject, however, to the provisions of Section 2 (4) of the Act—(Secretary Sir William Joynson-Hicks)—And a Debate arising thereupon;

And it being Four 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 consideration the Public Health (Smoke Abatement) Bill [Lords], as amended in the Standing Committee;

Ordered, That the Bill be taken into consideration upon Monday next.

The Order of the day being read, for the Committee of Supply;

Resolved, That this House will, upon Monday next, resolve itself into the said Committee.

The Order of the day being read, for the Committee of Ways and Means;

Resolved, That this House will, upon Monday next, resolve itself into the said Committee.

Whereupon Mr. Speaker adjourned the House without Question put, pursuant to the directions of an Act of Parliament,—Copies of Provisional Regulations made under the London Traffic Act, 1924, dated 24th November 1926, entitled—

(1) the London Traffic (Restricted Streets) Amendment (Route No. 9b) Provisional Regulations, 1926; and

(2) the London Traffic (Restricted Streets) Amendment (Route No. 95) Provisional Regulations, 1926.

Ordered, That the said Paper do lie upon the Table.

Mr. M’Neill presented, pursuant to the Bank of England directions of an Act of Parliament,—Copy of Return of the Amount of Notes issued by the Bank of England more than forty years, and outstanding on 27th October 1926, which have been written off.

Ordered, That the said Paper do lie upon the Table.

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 Prisons (Scotland) Bill is a Bill relating exclusively to Scotland, the Bill will be considered by the Standing Committee on Scottish Bills.

The following Paper, pursuant to the directions of an Act of Parliament, was laid upon the Table by the Clerk of the House:

Accounts of the Mersey Docks and Harbour Board for the year ended 1st July 1926.

Mr. William Nicholson reported from the Committee of Selection; That they had added (Standing Committee B) the following Ten Members to Standing Committee B (in respect of the Legitimacy Bill [Lords]):—Mr. Mitchell Banks, Mr. Charleton, Mr. Ruys Davics, Lord Erskine, Captain Hacking, Mr. Harney, Lord Huntingfield, Secretary Sir William Joynson-Hicks, Sir Robert Newman, and Mr. Solicitor General.
Standing Committee C.

Mr. William Nicholson further reported from the Committee: That they had discharged the following Members from Standing Committee C:—Brigadier-General Sir Henry Page Croft and Mr. Solicitor General; and had appointed in substitution: Mr. Robert Hudson and Major Price.

Standing Committee C.

Mr. William Nicholson further reported from the Committee: That they had discharged the following Member from Standing Committee C (added in respect of the Fertilisers and Feeding Stuffs Bill [Lords]):—Captain Robert Henderson; and had appointed in substitution: Sir Robert Lynne.

Standing Committee C.

Mr. William Nicholson further reported from the Committee: That they had added the following Ten Members to the Standing Committee on Scottish Bills (in respect of the Prisons (Scotland) Bill):—the Lord Advocate, Mr. Brassey, Mr. Conolly, Lord Cullen Crichton-Stuart, Lord Fermany, Mr. Lawson, Major Allan McLean, Captain Alexander Reid, Captain Geoffrey Shaw, and Major Steel.

Ordered, That the Reports do lie upon the Table.

Chairman's Panel.

Mr. William Nicholson reported from the Chairman's Panel: That they had appointed Major Sir Richard Barnett to act as Chairman of the Standing Committee on Scottish Bills (in respect of the Prisons (Scotland) Bill).

Ordered, That the Report do lie upon the Table.


The Order of the day being read, for resuming the adjourned Debate on the Question proposed upon the 26th day of this instant November, that the Regulations made by His Majesty in Council under the Emergency Powers Act, 1920, by Order dated the 26th day of November 1926, shall continue in force, subject however to the provisions of Section 2 (4) of the 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 l. 2, by inserting, after “1926,” the words “other than Regulations 21 and 22.”—(Mr. Thomas Williams.)

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 Edwards;
Yes, Major Cope;
Mr. Benjamin Smith;
38.

Tellers for the
Mr. Frederick Thoms-
on;
Noes,
211.

So it passed in the Negative.

Another Amendment was proposed to be made to the Question, in l. 3, by adding, at the end thereof, the words “and to the substitution in Regulations 14, H. 1 and 16, of the word ‘shall’ for the word ‘may’.”—(Mr. Batey.)

And the Question being put, That those words be there added;
The House divided.
The Yeas to the Right;
The Noes to the Left.

Tellers for the
Mr. Parkinson;
Yes, Mr. Charles Edwards;
75.

Tellers for the
Mr. Henryness;
Noes, Major Cope;
197.

So it passed in the Negative.

And the Main Question being again proposed:—
And a Debate arising thereupon;
Secretary Sir William Jaynes-Hicks 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. Parkinson;
Yes, Mr. Charles Edwards;
76.

Tellers for the
Mr. Henryness;
Noes, Major Cope;
193.

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 26th day of November 1926, shall continue in force, subject however to the provisions of Section 2 (4) of the Act.

The Paris Regulation (Amendment) Bill passed.

Ordered, That the Bill be committed to a Committee of the whole House for to-morrow.—(Captain Hacking.)

The House, according to Order, resolved itself into a Committee on the Supreme Court of Judicature of Northern Ireland 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.

The House, according to Order, proceeded to take into consideration the Industrial Assurance (Juvenile Societies) Bill [Lords], not amended in the Standing Committee.

An Amendment was proposed to be made to the Bill, in p. 1, l. 19, by leaving out the words "seventh day of June, nineteen hundred and twenty-three," and inserting the words "passing of this Act"—(Mr. Alsy Davies),—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 acquaint them that this House hath agreed to the same, without Amendment.

The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Sale of Food (Weights and Measures) Bill [Lords];

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time to-morrow.

The Order of the day being read, for the Committee on Palestine and East Africa Loans (Guaranteed);

Resolved, That this House will, to-morrow, receive itself into the said Committee.

The Order of the day being read, for taking into consideration the Horticultural Produce (Sales on Commission) Bill [Lords], as amended in the Committee;

Ordered, That the Bill be taken into consideration to-morrow.

The Order of the day being read, for taking Small Holdings and Allotments Bill, as amended in the Standing Committee;

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time to-morrow.

The Order of the day being read, for the Forestry Second Reading of the Forestry Bill [Lords];

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time to-morrow.

The Order of the day being read, for the Wild Birds Protection Bill [Lords];

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time to-morrow.

The Order of the day being read, for the Judicial Second Reading of the Judicial Committee Bill [Lords];

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time to-morrow.

The Order of the day being read, for the Betting Overseas (Prohibitions) Bill;

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time to-morrow.

The Order of the day being read, for taking into consideration the Amendment made by the Lords to the Lead Paint (Protection against Poisoning) Bill;

Ordered, That the said Amendment be taken into consideration to-morrow.

The Order of the day being read, for taking Public Health Bill, into consideration the Public Health (Smoking, etc., Abatement) Bill [Lords], as amended in the Standing Committee;

Ordered, That the Bill be taken into consideration to-morrow.
The Order of the day being read, for the Committee 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 27th day of September last, proposed the Question, That this House do now adjourn.

And the Question being put:—It was resolved in the Affirmative.

And accordingly the House, having continued to sit till twelve minutes before Eleven of the clock, adjourned till to-morrow.

[No. 140.]

Tuesday, 30th November 1926.

The House met at a quarter of an hour before Three of the clock.

PRAYERS.

Colonel Ashley presented, pursuant to the directions of an Act of Parliament,—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—
(1) the Urban District of Llanfrechfa Upper, in the County of Monmouth;
(2) the City of Truro, in the County of Cornwall;
(3) the Urban District of Prudhoe and part of the Rural District of Hexham, in the County of Northumberland.
Ordered, That the said Paper do lie upon the Table.

Sir Philip Cunliffe-Lister presented, pursuant to the directions of an Act of Parliament,—Copies of Drafts of Special Orders proposed to be made by the Board of Trade under the Gas Regulation Act, 1920, on the application of the—
(1) Torquay and Paignton Gas Company;
(2) Bridgwater Gas Light Company.
Ordered, That the said Paper do lie upon the Table.

Sir William Mitchell-Thomson presented, pursuant to the directions of an Act of Parliament,—Copy of Accounts and Balance Sheets of the Post Office for the year ended 31st March 1926, including Accounts of the Postal, Telegraph, and Telephone Services and certain subsidiary Accounts; together with the Report of the Comptroller and Auditor General thereon; also certain Returns relating to capital borrowings for telegraph and telephone purposes.
Ordered, That the said Paper do lie upon the Table; and be printed.

Mr. Secretary Amery presented, pursuant to the directions of an Act of Parliament,—Copy of Order made by the Governor and Executive Council of Trinidad on 7th October 1926, amending certain paragraphs of Schedule III. to the Prison Rules, made on 16th November 1909.
Ordered, That the said Paper do lie upon the Table.

Secretary Sir Samuel Hoare presented, pursuant to the directions of an Act of Parliament,—Copy of Order under the Air Force (Constitution) Act, 1917, further amending in certain respects the Regulations appended to His Majesty's Order, dated 25th July 1924, as amended by subsequent Orders, and included in a volume entitled the King's Regulations and Air Council Instructions for the Royal Air Force.
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 Public Trustee (Custodian Public Trusts) Rules, 1929, dated 12th November 1929.

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 propose that the Joint Committee constituted for the purpose of considering Consolidation Bills in the present Session do meet in the Chairman of Committees' Committee Room to-morrow, at half-past Eleven 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 Gibbs.)
Ordered, That a Message be sent to the Lords to acquaint them therewith:—And that the Clerk do carry the said Message.

Mr. William Nicholson reported from Standing Committee C, to whom the Fertilisers and Feeding Stuffs Bill (Lords) was referred, that they had gone through the Bill and made certain 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 Thursday next; and be printed.
Mr. William Nicholson reported from the Committee of Selection; that they had discharged the following Member from Standing Committee B:—Mr. Jenkins; and had appointed in substitution: Mr. Roslyn Mitchell.

Mr. William Nicholson further reported from the Committee: That they had discharged the following Members from Standing Committee C:—Captain Eliot, Mr. Guinan, and Mr. Solicitor General for Scotland; and had appointed in substitution: Mr. Atkinson, Sir Geoffrey Butler, and Sir Charles Oman.

Ordered, That the Reports do lie upon the Table.

The House, according to Order, proceeded to take into consideration the Small Holdings and Allotments Bill, as amended in the Standing Committee.

A Clause was offered to be added to the Bill (Power of Minister on complaint to enforce exercise of powers).—(Mr. Buxton.)

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. Charles Edwards;

Yea,

Mr. Buxton;

96.

Mr. Frederick Cope;

No,

Lord Stanley;

178.

So it passed in the Negative.

Another Clause was offered to be added to the Bill (Power to a county council to resume possession of a small holding without payment of compensation for disturbance in certain cases).—(Mr. Basil Peto.)

And the said Clause was brought up, and read the first time.

And a Motion being made, and the Question being proposed, That the said Clause be read a second time:—The said Motion and Clause were severally, with leave of the House, withdrawn.

An Amendment was proposed to be made to the Bill, in p. 1, 1, 11, by leaving out the words " buy or "—(Mr. Buxton.)

And the Question being put, That the words " buy or " stand part of the Bill:
The House divided.

The Yeas to the Right;
The Noes to the Left.

Tellers for the

Major Hennessy;

Yea,

Captain Margesson;

215.

Mr. Benjamin Smith;

No,

Lord Stanley;

119.

So it was resolved in the Affirmative.

Another Amendment was proposed to be made to the Bill, in p. 3, 1, 22, by inserting, after the word " council," the words " persons willing to work on a co-operative system shall have power to appeal within one month to the Minister against the refusal of the county council to approve their system."—(Mr. Barnes.)

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. Charles Edwards;

Yea,

Mr. Barnes;

122.

Major Hennessy;

No,

Mr. Frederick Cope;

210.

So it passed in the Negative.

Another Amendment was proposed to be made to the Bill, in p. 3, 1, 41, by inserting, at the end thereof, the words " but so that in such purchase or lease the basis of compensation shall be the net annual value of the land."—(Mr. Thomas Williamson.)

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. Parkinson;

Yea,

Mr. Charles Edwards;

114.

Major Hennessy;

No,

Major Cope;

196.

So it passed in the Negative.

Another Amendment was proposed to be made to the Bill, in p. 8, 1, 12, by inserting, in the end thereof, the words " the amount of such deficiency to be settled, in default of agreement, by an arbitrator to be appointed under the Agricultural Holdings Act, 1923."—(Captain Bence.)

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. 8, 1, 23, by inserting, at the end thereof, the words " but so 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. 9, 1, 27, by leaving out the word " industry," and inserting the word " area"—(Mr. Thomas Williamson.)

And the Question being put, That the word " industry" 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. 10, 1, 17, by leaving out the words " Cornwall, Devon, or," and inserting the words " are, and the amount of such deficiency to be settled, in default of agreement, by an arbitrator to be appointed under the Agricultural Holdings Act, 1923."—(Mr. Barnes.)

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. 14, 1, 27, by leaving out the words " (including those relating to the Small Holdings Commissioners."—(Mr. Fenby.)
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. Frederick Tom-

son

Yea,

172

Lord Stanley :

Tellers for the

Mr. Penby

Noo,

104

Mr. Harris :

So it was resolved in the Affirmative.

Another Amendment was proposed to be made to the Bill, in p. 15, l. 7, by inserting, at the end thereof, the words,—

"Section 41 - In subsection (2) the words 'and also avoid taking any land the taking of which will render the remainder of the land unreasonably capable of being cultivated as a separate holding or will adversely affect production, and for these purposes, shall be substituted for the words 'and for that purpose'."

(Captain Bourne.)

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. 15, l. 7, by inserting, at the end thereof, the words,—

"Section 41 - At the end of subsection (3), insert the words 'the occupation of such tenant or of any of his tenants'."

(Captain Bourne.)

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

Captain Bourne

Colonel Sir George

Courthope

Yea,

22

Mr. Frederick Thom-

son

Tellers for the

Noes,

184

Captain Viscount

Cunoue

So it was passed in the Negative.

Ordered, That the Bill be now read the third time:—The Bill was accordingly read the third time and passed, with Amendments.

Ordered, That the Clerk do carry the Bill to the Lords; and acquaint them that this House hath agreed to the same, with Amendments; to which this House doth desire the concurrence of their Lordships.

The Order of the day being read, for taking Public Health into consideration the Public Health (Smoke Abatement) Bill [Lords], as amended in the Bill [Lords].

Ordered, That the Bill be taken into consideration to-morrow.

The House, according to Order, proceeded Horticultural Protection against Poisoning) 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, resolved Parks into a Committee on the Parks Regulation (Amendment) Bill [Lords].

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, without Amendment.

The Order of the day being read, for the Rule of Food (Weights and Measures) Bill [Lords];

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time to-morrow.

Ordered, That the Clerk do carry the Bill to the Lords; and acquaint them that this House hath agreed to the same, without Amendment.

The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Sale of Food (Weights and Measures) Bill [Lords];

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time to-morrow.

The Order of the day being read, for the Palestine and Committee on Palestine and East Africa Loans (Guarantee);

Readed, That this House will, to-morrow, resolve itself into the said Committee.

The Order of the day being read, for the Indian and Second Reading of the Indian and Colonial Divorce Jurisdiction Bill [Lords];

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time to-morrow.

The Order of the day being read, for the Forestry Bill Second Reading of the Forestry Bill [Lords];

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time to-morrow.
Wild Birds Protection 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 Judicial Committee 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 Betting Overseas (Prohibition) Bill;
Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time to-morrow.

The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Wild Birds Protection 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 Mental Deficiency Bill [Lords];
Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time to-morrow.

BETTING OVERSEAS (PROHIBITION) BILL;
Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time to-morrow.

SUPPLY.

The Order of the day being read, for the Committee of Supply;
Resolved, That this House will, to-morrow, resolve itself into the said Committee.

WAYS AND MEANS.

The Order of the day being read, for the Committee of Ways and Means;
Resolved, That this House will, to-morrow, resolve itself into the said Committee.

EPISCOPAL PENSIONS MEASURE, 1926.

Resolved, That in accordance with the Church of England Assembly (Powers) Act, 1910, this House do direct that the Episcopal Pensions Measure, 1926, be presented to His Majesty for Royal Assent.—(Major Birkett.) Whereupon Mr. Speaker, pursuant to the directions of an Act of Parliament,—
Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time to-morrow.

The House met at a quarter of an hour before Three of the clock.
And it being half an hour after Eleven of the clock, Mr. Speaker adjourned the House without Question put, 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. 141.]

WEDNESDAY, 1ST DECEMBER 1926.

The House met at a quarter of an hour before Three of the clock.

PRAYERS.

DISEASES OF ANIMALS ACTS.

Mr. Guinness presented, pursuant to the directions of an Act of Parliament,—Copy of Order made under the Diseases of Animals Acts, dated 24th November 1926.

Ordered, That the said Paper do lie upon the Table.

Colonel Ashley presented, pursuant to the Electricity directions of an Act of Parliament,—Copy of (Supply) Acts. Special Order made by the Electricity Commissioners, and confirmed by the Minister for Transport under the Electricity (Supply) Act, 1919, in respect of certain Burghs and Parishes in the Counties of Berwick, Midlothian, Peebles, Roxburgh, and Selkirk.

Ordered, That the said Paper do lie upon the Table.

Lord Eustace Percy presented, pursuant to Universities the directions of an Act of Parliament,—Copy of Oxford and Cambridge Commissioners wholly for Corpus Christi College, Oxford, in the matter of the Trust contained in the will of Miss Emily Thomas.

Ordered, That the said Paper do lie upon the Table.

Mr. M'Neil presented, by His Majesty's Isle of Man Command,—Copy of Treasury Minute, dated War. 29th November 1926, relating to a Contribution to be made by the Government of the Isle of Man towards the cost of the War. Ordered, That the said Paper do lie upon the Table.

Mr. Neville Chamberlain presented, pursuant National Health Insurance (Exempt Persons) Amendment Regulations, 1926, dated Committee 20th November 1926, made by the National Health Insurance Joint Committee, the Minister of Health and the Scottish Board of Health.

Ordered, That the said Paper do lie upon the Table.

Mr. Short reported from Standing Committee Standing Committee of Selection; That they had added (Standing Committee) Standing Committee the following Ten Members to Standing Committee C (in respect of the Mental Deficiency (Standing Committee) Standing Committee C): Mr. Ammon, Sir George Berry, Mr. Neville Chamberlain, Mr. Rhyd Davies, Dr. Vernon Davies, Colonel Fremantle, Sir Robert Hamilton, Sir George Hume, Mr. Charles Williams, and Sir Kingsley Wood.

Mr. William Nicholson reported from the Selection Committee of Selection; That they had added (Standing Committee) Standing Committee the following Ten Members to Standing Committee C: Mr. Rentoul and Mr. Viant; and had appointed in substitution: Mr. Coxe and Mr. Haslam.

Ordered, That the Report do lie upon the Table.
The Committee divided.

Tellers for the **Mr. Charles Edwards**, 108.
Tellers for the **Mr. Thomas Hender- son** ; 212.

Original Question put.
The Committee divided.

Tellers for the **Mr. Charles Edwards**, 99.
Tellers for the **Mr. Frederick Thom- son** ; 299.

Resolution to be reported.

Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair; and the Chairman of Ways and Means reported, That the Committee had come to a Resolution.

Ordered, That the Report be received to-morrow.

The House, according to Order, resolved itself into a Committee on Palestine and East Africa Loans [Guarantees].

(In the Committee.)

Question again proposed, That it is expedient to authorise the Treasury to guarantee the payment of the principal of, and the interest on, the following loans,—

(a) a loan to be raised by the Government of Palestine not exceeding an amount sufficient to raise four million five hundred thousand pounds; and
(b) a loan to be raised by the Governments of Kenya, Uganda, Northern Rhodesia, Nyasaland or Tanganyika not exceeding an amount sufficient to raise ten million pounds;

and to charge on the Consolidated Fund any moneys required to fulfil any such guarantees as aforesaid.

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 House, according to Order, proceeded to Public Health (Smoke Abatement) Bill [Lords], as amended in the Standing Committee.

An Amendment was proposed to be made to the Bill, in p. 2, l. 11, by leaving out from the word “metals” to the end of l. 13.—(Mr. Scurr.)

And the Question being proposed, That the words proposed to be left out stand part of the Bill—And a Debate arising thereupon;

And it being Eleven of the clock, the Debate stood adjourned.

Ordered, That the Debate be resumed to-morrow.

The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Sale of Food (Weights and Measures) Bill [Lords];
Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time to-morrow.

Forestry Bill [Lords.]

The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Forestry Bill [Lords];

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time to-morrow.

Wild Birds Protection Bill [Lords.]

The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Wild Birds Protection Bill [Lords];

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time to-morrow.

Betting Overseas (Prohibition) 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 Betting Overseas (Prohibition) Bill;

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time to-morrow.

Supply.

The Order of the day being read, for the Committee of Supply;

Resolved, That this House will, to-morrow, resolve itself into the said Committee.

Ways and Means.

The Order of the day being read, for the Committee of Ways and Means;

Resolved, That this House will, to-morrow, resolve itself into the said Committee.

Electricity (Supply) Acts.

Resolved, That the Special Order made by the Electricity Commissioners under the Electricity (Supply) Acts, 1882 to 1922, and confirmed by the Minister of Transport under the Electricity (Supply) Act, 1919, in respect of the Burgh of Dingwall, the Parishes of Dingwall, Pearn, Nigg, and Tarbat, and parts of the Parishes of Bonkeen, Alness, Kiltiern, Fodderty, Contin, Urichart, and Lewis Wester, Urey, Kilsuirn, Easter, Logie Easter, Edderton, and Tain, in the County of Ross and Cromarty, which was presented on the 25th day of October 1926, be approved.—(Colonel Ashley.)

Ordered, That the Special Order made by the Electricity Commissioners under the Electricity (Supply) Acts, 1882 to 1922, and confirmed by the Minister of Transport under the Electricity (Supply) Act, 1919, in respect of parts of the Rural Districts of Maidston, Malling, and Hollingbourn, in the County of Kent, which was presented on the 25th day of October 1926 be approved.—(Colonel Ashley.)

Whereupon Mr. Speaker, pursuant to the Order of the House of the 27th day of September last, proposed the Question, That this House do now adjourn. And the Question being put:—It was resolved in the Affirmative. And accordingly the House, having continued to sit till three minutes after Eleven of the clock, adjourned till to-morrow.

[No. 142.]

Thursday, 2nd December 1926.

The House met at a quarter of an hour before Three of the clock.

PRAYERS.

Mr. McNeil presented, pursuant to the directions of an Act of Parliament, Accounts showing the Moneys issued out of the Consolidated Fund and the Expenditure under the provisions of the Public Buildings Expenses Act, 1903, &c., to 31st March 1926; with the Report of the Comptroller and Auditor General thereon.

Ordered, That the said Paper do lie upon the Table.

Mr. William Nicholson reported from the Chairman's Panel; That they had appointed Sir Edmund Turton to act as Chairman of Standing Committee C (in respect of the Mental Deficiency Bill [Lords]).

Ordered, That the said Paper do lie upon the Table.

Mr. William Nicholson reported from Standing Committee C, to whom the University of London Bill [Lords] was referred; That they had gone through the Bill, and made Amendments thereunto.

Ordered, That the said Paper do lie upon the Table; and be printed.
2nd December, 1926.

No. 162. Ordered, That the Minutes of the Proceedings of the Standing Committee be printed.

Bill 197. Ordered, That the Bill, as amended in the Standing Committee, be taken into consideration upon Monday next; and be printed.

Scottish Standing Committee, (Powers (Scotland) Bill.

Sir Richard Barnett reported from the Standing Committee on Scottish Bills, to whom the Prisons (Scotland) Bill was referred; That they had gone through the Bill, and made Amendments thereto.

No. 153. Ordered, That the Report be laid upon the Table; and be printed.

No. 153. 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.

Standing Committee D (in respect of the Coroners (Amendment) Bill [Lords]) was referred; That they had gone through the Bill, and made Amendments thereto.

No. 154. Ordered, That the Report be laid upon the Table; and be printed.

No. 154. Ordered, That the Minutes of the Proceedings of the Standing Committee be printed.

Bill 198. 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 agreed to the Burgh Registers (Scotland) Bill, with Amendments; to which the Lords desire the concurrence of this House.

The Lords have agreed to the Perth Corporation Water Order Confirmation Bill, without any Amendment.

The Lords have agreed to the Burgh Registers (Scotland) Bill, with Amendments; to which the Lords desire the concurrence of this House.

The Lords have agreed to the Private Legislation Procedure (Scotland) Act, 1899, relating to Forth and Clyde Navigation (Kirkintilloch Road Bridges); to which the Lords desire the concurrence of this House.

Ordered, That the Amendments made by the Lords to the Burgh Registers (Scotland) Bill be taken into consideration to-morrow; and be printed.

The Forth and Clyde Navigation (Kirkintilloch Road Bridges) Order Confirmation Bill [Lords] was read the first time, and ordered (under Section 9 of the Private Legislation Procedure (Scotland) Act, 1899) to be read a second time to-morrow; and to be printed.

Mr. William Nicholson reported from the Committee of Selection; That they had added the following additional Members to Standing Committee D (in respect of the Coroners (Amendment) Bill [Lords]) — the Lord Advocate, Mr. Barr, Captain Burren, Sir Henry Cautley, Mr. Neville Chamberlain, Brigadier General Charteris, Colonel Crookshank, Major George Davies, Sir Thomas Davies, Captain Elliot, Mr. Fenby, Mr. Arthur Greenwood, Mr. Hard, Mr. Thomas Kennedy, Sir Murdoch Macdonald, Major Ruggles-Brise, Mr. Skelton, Mr. Wheatley, Major Sir Granville Wheler, and Sir Kingsley Wood.

Mr. Williams Nicholson further reported from Standing Committee D—Captain brace and Colonel Fremantle; and had appointed in substitution: Lord Erskine and Lord Huntingfield.

Ordered, That the Report be laid upon the Table.

Ordered, That the order of the day be 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 be read, for the Ways and Means Committee;

Resolved, That this House will, to-morrow, resolve itself into the said Committee.

A Motion was made, and the Question being proposed, That the Draft of the Order proposed, to be made by the Minister of Health and the Scottish Board of Health, with the approval of the Treasury, under Section 5 of the Housing (Financial Provisions) Act, 1924 (presented 25th November 1924), be approved—(Mr. Neville Chamberlain);

An Amendment was proposed to be made to the Question, in 1, 5, by adding, at the end thereof, the words "subject to the omission thereof from Articles 3 and 4."—(Mr. Viant);

And the Question being proposed, That those words be there added:—And a Debate arising thereupon;

Mr. Neville 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 [Lord Stanley, Yea], Captain Marjoribanks: 180.

Tellers for the [Mr. Charles Edwards, Yea]: 112.

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. Charles Edwards, Yea]: 113.

Tellers for the [Lord Stanley, Noes]: 181.

So it passed in the Negative.
Mr. Neville Chamberlain claimed, That the Main Question be now put; 
And the Main Question being accordingly put; 
The House divided. 
The Yeas to the Right; 
The Noes to the Left. 
Tellers for the \( \text{Major Hanway} \) : 
Captain Margesson : \( 181 \). 
Tellers for the \( \text{Mr. Charles Edwards} \), 
Noes, Mr. Barnes : \( 111 \). 
So it was resolved in the Affirmative.

Resolved, That the Draft of the Order proposed to be made by the Minister of Health and the Scottish Board of Health, with the approval of the Treasury, under Section 5 of the Housing (Financial Provisions) Act, 1924 (presented 25th November 1926), be approved.

Captain Margesson reported from the Committee on Palestine and East Africa Loans (Guarantee), a Resolution; which was read, as follows:— 
That it is expedient to authorise the Treasury to guarantee the payment of the principal of, and the interest on, the following loans,—
(a) a loan to be raised by the Government of Palestine not exceeding an amount sufficient to raise four million five hundred thousand pounds; and
(b) a loan to be raised by the Governments of Kenya, Uganda, Northern Rhodesia, Nyasaland or Tanganyika not exceeding an amount sufficient to raise ten million pounds; and
and to charge on the Consolidated Fund any moneys required to fulfil any such guarantees as aforesaid. 
The said Resolution, being read a second time, was agreed to.

Mr. Secretary Amery, Mr. Ormsby-Gore, and Mr. M'Neill do prepare and bring it in.

Mr. Secretary Amery accordingly presented a Bill to authorise the Treasury to guarantee certain loans to be raised respectively by the Government of Palestine and by the Governments of certain territories in East Africa; 
And the same was read the first time, and ordered to be read a second time upon Tuesday next; and to be printed.

Captain Margesson reported from the Committee on Judicial Committee (Money), a Resolution; which was read, as follows:—
That for the purposes of any Act of the present Session to amend the Law with respect to the constitution of the Judicial Committee of the Privy Council, it is expedient to charge on the Consolidated Fund the yearly salary of two thousand pounds to be paid under the said Act to each of the two persons to be appointed thereunder to be members of the said Judicial Committee. 
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 proceeded to a Division.
A Motion was made, and the Question being put, That in accordance with the Church of England Assembly (Powers) Act, 1919, this House do direct that the Benefices (Ecclesiastical Duties) Measure, 1926, be presented to His Majesty for Royal Assent—(Sir Henry Slesser):

The House divided.

The Yeas to the Right; The Noses to the Left.

Tellers for the [Sir Henry Slesser, Yes, 44. Major Birchall: 46. Tellers for the [Sir Gerald Hobler, Noes, 16. Mr. Ammon:}

So it was resolved in the Affirmative.

And it being after half-past Eleven of the clock on Thursday evening, Mr. Speaker adjourned the House without Question put, pursuant to the Standing Order, it being then twenty-four minutes after One of the clock on Friday morning, till this day.

Mr. M'Neil also presented, pursuant to the Income Tax directions of an Act of Parliament.—Copy of Act, 1918 Return under Section 85 of the Income Tax Act, 1918.

Ordered, That the said Papers do lie upon the Table.

Mr. Speaker acquainted the House, That a Message from the Lords, one of their Clerks, as follows:—

The Lords have agreed to the Amendment Local Government (County Boroughs and Adjustments) Bill (Lords), without any Amendment.

The Lords have passed a Bill, intituled An Act to amend the Law relating to Solicitors;—(Sir Henry Slesser);

So to which the Lords desire the concurrence of this House.

The Solicitors Bill [Lords] was read the first Solicitors Bill time, and ordered to be read a second time upon Monday next; and to be printed.

Mr. William Graham reported from the Public Committee of Public Accounts; That they had made further Progress in the matters to which the Lords desire the concurrence of this House.

Ordered, That the Report do lie upon the Table; and be printed.

The House, according to Order, proceeded Bco to take into consideration the Roman Catholic Relief Bill, as amended in the Standing Committee.

A Clause was offered to be added to the Bill (Savings relating to the Church of England and saving of rights of title).—(Mr. Dennis Herbert.)

And the saidClause was brought up, and read the first and second time; and amended, in 3. 1. 8, by leaving out the words "This Act shall not," and inserting the words "Nothing in this Act nor the repeal of any enactments or parts thereof specified in the Schedule thereof shall in any way".—(Sir John Penefather.),—instead thereof;

In 1. 1. by leaving out the words "in force prior to the passing thereof".—(Brigadier-General Clifton Brown); and

In 1. 5. by leaving out the words "the exercise by Roman Catholics of."—(Sir Alexander Syred.)

Another Amendment was proposed to be made to the proposed Clause, as amended, in 1. 8, by leaving out the word "were," and inserting the word "are".—(Sir John Penefather.),—instead thereof.

And the Question being proposed, That the word "were" stand part of the proposed Clause, as amended.—The said proposed Amendment was, with leave of the House, withdrawn.

And the proposed Clause, as amended, was made part of the Bill.

Then Amendments were made to the Bill.
Another Amendment was proposed to be made to the Bill, in p. 1, l. 24, by inserting, after the word "to," the words "Scotland or."—(Sir Alexander Sprot.)

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¬s,  
(Sir Alexander Sprot,  
Colonel McIvore)  
22.

Tellers for the Noes,  
(Mr. Blundell,  
Mr. Barr)  
200.

So it passed in the Negative.

Another Amendment was proposed to be made to the Bill, in p. 2; by leaving out l. 5 and 6.—(Sir Alexander Sprot.)

And the Question being put, That the words proposed to be left out stand part of the Bill—It was resolved in the Affirmative.

Another Amendment was proposed to be made to the Bill, in p. 2; by leaving out l. 7 and 8.—(Sir Alexander Sprot.)

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. 2; by leaving out l. 9 and 10.—(Sir Alexander Sprot.)

And the Question being put, That the words proposed to be left out stand part of the Bill—It was resolved in the Affirmative.

Then another Amendment was made to the Bill.

Another Amendment was proposed to be made to the Bill, in p. 2; by leaving out l. 13 to 18, inclusive.—(Sir Alexander Sprot.)

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,  
(Sir Henry Sloane)  
183.

Tellers for the Noes,  
(Colonel McIlrose)  
36.

So it was resolved in the Affirmative.

A Motion was made, and the Question being proposed, That the Bill be now read the third time;

An Amendment was proposed to be made to the Question, by leaving out from the word "That," to the end of the Question, and adding the words "this House, while desiring to continue the fullest possible liberty to Roman Catholics in the exercise of their religion and absolute equality in respect of exemption from taxation, declines to pass into Law a Bill which, without conferring any benefit on Roman Catholics, seeks to repeal certain Acts of Parliament affecting the Church of England and establishing the Reformation in England and Scotland"—(Sir Alexander Sprot).—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. T. P. O'Connor 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 his assent, the House resumed the Debate.

Mr. Dennis Herbert 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. T. P. O'Connor 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 proceeded to a Division.

Mr. Blundell and Sir Henry Sloane were Division Tellers for the Ayes, but there being no Members willing to act as Tellers for the Noes, Mr. Speaker declared that the Ayes had it.

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 taking into consideration the Judicial Proceedings (Regulation of Reports) Bill, as amended in the Standing Committee;

Ordered, That the Bill be taken into consideration upon Friday next.

The Order of the day being read, for taking into consideration the Amendments made by the Lords to the Criminal Justice (Increase of Penalties) Bill (changed to Penal Servitude) Bill;—

Ordered, That the said Amendments 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, 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.

The Order of the day being read, for taking into consideration the Fertilisers and Feeding Stuffs Bill [Lords], as amended in the Standing Committee;

Ordered, That the Bill be taken into consideration upon Monday next.
The Order of the day being read, for taking into consideration the Legitimacy Bill [Lords], as amended in the Standing Committee;

Ordered, That the Bill be taken into consideration upon Monday next.

Whereupon Mr. Speaker adjourned the House without Question put, pursuant to Standing Order No. 3, it being then four minutes after Four of the clock, till Monday next.

[No. 144.]

Monday, 6th December 1926.

The House met at a quarter of an hour before Three of the clock.

PRAYERS.

ORDERED, That Mr. Speaker do issue his Warrant to the Clerk of the Crown, to make out a new Writ for the calling of a Member to serve in this present Parliament for the Borough of Sandwick, in the room of John Emanuel Davison, Esquire, who, since his Election for the said Borough, hath accepted the Office of Steward or Bailiff of His Majesty's Three ChilTERN Hundreds of Stoties, Denborough and Burnham, in the County of Buckingham. —(Mr. Thomas Kennedy.)

For the Forth and Clyde Navigation (Caithness and Kirkintilloch Road Bridges) Order Confirmation Bill [Lords].

Mr. McNeill presented, by His Majesty's Command,—Copy of Treasury Minute, dated 6th December 1926, relative to the gift of Miscellaneous Stores to the Government of Palestine.

Ordered, That the said Paper do lie upon the Table.

Secretary Sir William Jynne-Hicks presented, by His Majesty's Command,—Copy of Sixth Report of the War Compensation Court.

Ordered, That the said Paper do lie upon the Table.

Public Accounts.

Sir Park Goff reported from the Committee on the Barnet District Gas and Water 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 thereunto.

Ordered, That the Report do lie upon the Table; and be printed.

Mr. William Nicholson reported from the Select Committee of Selection; That they had discharged the following Members from Standing Committee C:—Sir Geoffrey Butler and Sir Charles Oman; and had appointed in substitution: Captain Brass and Captain Gunston.

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 Stornoway Harbour Order Confirmation Bill, without any Amendment.

The Lords have agreed to the Amendments made by this House to the Horticultural Produce (Sales on Commission) Bill [Lords], without any Amendment.

A Motion was made, and the Question being put, That the Proceedings on the Government Bill, Business be exempted, at this day's Sitting, from the provisions of the Standing Order (Sittings of the House)—(The Prime Minister);

The House divided.

The Yeas to the Right;

The Noes to the Left.

Tellers for the [Major Hennessy, Yeas, Lord Stanley; 179.]

Tellers for the [Mr. Thomas Kennedy, Noes, Mr. Parkinson; 81.]

So it was resolved in the Affirmative.

The House, according to Order, proceeded to take into consideration the Housing (Rural Workers) Bill, as amended in the Standing Committee.

An Amendment was proposed to be made to the Bill, in p. 2, l. 1, by inserting, at the end thereof, the words,—

"(a) specifying the proof to be required by the Local Authority of the financial inability of the owner of a dwelling-house to carry out the proposed works except he is assisted under this Act."—(Mr. Taylor.)

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. Parkinson, Yeas, Mr. Charles Edwards; 77.]

Tellers for the [Lord Stanley, Captain Viscount Curzon; 185.]

So it passed in the Negative.

Another Amendment was proposed to be made to the Bill, in p. 2, l. 19, by leaving out from the word "given" to the word "by," in l. 21.—(Mr. Bent.)
And the Question being put, That the words proposed to be left out stand part of the Bill;—
The House divided.

Tellers for the [Lord Stanley]—Yeas, 208.
Tellers for the [Mr. Frederick Thorne]—Noes, 78.

So it was resolved in the Affirmative.

Another Amendment was proposed to be made to the Bill, in p. 3, 1, 26, by inserting, at the end thereof, the words,—

"( ) where a building divided up into two or more separate dwellings exceeds such sum of four hundred pounds multiplied by the number of separate dwellings as aforesaid."—(Mr. Rye.)

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. 2, 1, 26, by inserting, after the word " pounds," the words,—

"Provided that, in arriving at the value of any dwelling, any carving or panelling shall not be taken into account."—(Mr. Rye.)

And the Question being put, That those words be there inserted in the Bill;—The House divided.

Tellers for the [Mr. Parkinson]—Yeas, 197.
Tellers for the [Mr. Charles Edwards]—Noes, 84.

So it was resolved in the Affirmative.

Another Amendment was proposed to be made to the Bill, in p. 3, 1, 6, by leaving out the word " forty," and inserting the word " thirty"—(Sir Kingsley Wood)—instead thereof.

And the Question being put, That the word " forty" stand part of the Bill;—The House divided.

Tellers for the [Mr. Parkinson]—Yeas, 77.
Tellers for the [Mr. Charles Edwards]—Noes, 108.

So it passed in the Negative.

The word " thirty " was there inserted in the Bill.

Another Amendment was proposed to be made to the Bill, in p. 3, 1, 11, by inserting, at the end thereof, the words " (and without prejudice to the generality of the foregoing provision)—

(i) will contain a bathroom with a fixed bath;
(ii) will as respects the walls or other partitions of the rooms used or intended to be used as bedrooms comply with the requirements of decency."—(Mr. Charles Edwards.)
The Yeas to the Right;
The Noes to the Left.
Tellers for the Mr. Parkinson, Yes, 111.
Tellers for the Major Cope, Noes, 226.

The proposed words were amended, in 1. 6, by leaving out from the word "paragraph" to the word "and," in 1. 8—(Mr. Ege), and, so amended, were there inserted in the Bill.

Then another Amendment was made to the Bill.

Another Amendment was proposed to be made to the Bill, in p. 9, 1. 19, by inserting, after the word "shall," the words "in the case of a Borough, Urban or Rural District, with a population of not less than five thousand, be the Council of the Borough or District and elsewhere shall."—(Mr. Thomas Williams.)

And the Question being put, That those words be there inserted in the Bill:
The House divided.

Another Amendment was proposed to be made to the Bill, in p. 7, 1. 26, by inserting, at the end thereof, the words,—

"Provided always that nothing in this Act shall relieve the tenant from the obligation of obtaining the consent of his landlord before assigning, sub-letting, or parting with the possession of any house, messuage, or premises to which this Act applies where the obligation to obtain such consent as aforesaid is a term of the contract of tenancy, and where such an obligation is not a term of the contract of tenancy it shall be the duty of the tenant to render the certificate required under subsection (1) (ii) (c) of Section three of this Act on any such assignment, sub-letting, or parting with possession as aforesaid."—(Brigadier-General Clifton Brown.)

And the Question being proposed, That those words be there inserted in the Bill;

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The House divided.

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Another Amendment was proposed to be made to the Bill, in p. 7, 1. 27, by inserting, at the end thereof, the words,—

"(i) where a dwelling is in the occupation of a person by whom, having regard to the terms of paragraph (a) of this subsection, it may properly be occupied and where such a person the continued occupation of the dwelling by that person shall not, if the Local Authority have ascertained thereto and so long as such person remains in the employment of the person by whom he was employed at the time of his ceasing as aforesaid; and

(ii)."—(Mr. Neville Chamberlain.)

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The House divided.

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"(1) Every Local Authority shall publish annually a report of their proceedings under this Act and such report shall contain, amongst other things, the following particulars, namely:

(a) The names and addresses of the owners to whom assistance has been given under this Act;

(b) The houses in respect of which such assistance has been given and the works to be carried out in respect thereof;

(c) The amount and nature of the assistance.

A copy of such report shall be supplied to any local government elector within the area of the Local Authority applying therefor upon payment of such sum, not exceeding sixpence, as the Authority may fix."—(Mr. James Hudson.)

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And the Question being put, That those words be there inserted in the Bill:

The House divided.
17 Geo. V. 6th—7th December.

Then other Amendments were made to the Bill.

A Motion was made, and the Question being put, That the Bill be now read the third time;

And the Question being put, That the words "whether part of a building or unconnected with any building,"—(Mr. Greenwood),—instead thereof.

So it was resolved in the Negative.

And the Question being put, That the words proposed to be left out stand part of the Bill:—It was resolved in the Affirmative.

Another Amendment was proposed to be made to the Bill, in p. 5, l. 16, by leaving out the words "whether part of a building or unconnected with any building."—(Rear-Admiral Beamish.)

Another Amendment was proposed to be made to the Bill, in p. 4, l. 20, by inserting, at the end thereof, the words "whether part of a building or unconnected with any building,"—(Mr. Harlaxton.)

Another Amendment was proposed to be made to the Bill, in p. 5, l. 16, by leaving out the words "other than private dwelling-houses."—(Colonel Sir Arthur Holbrook.)

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 (Lord Stanley, 
Yea., 102. 
Tellers for the Mr. Parkinson, 
Noes., 54.

So it was resolved in the Affirmative.

Another Amendment was proposed to be made to the Bill, in p. 6, l. 16, by leaving out the words "habitually used as a sea-going ship."—(Mr. Worsley.)

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. 7, l. 21, by leaving out the words "out of the question," and inserting the word "July"—(Lieutenant-Commander Astbury),—instead thereof.

And the Question being put, That the word "January" stand part of the Bill;

The House divided.

The Yeas to the Right;
The Noes to the Left.
Tellers for the (Mr. Parkinson, 
Yea., Mr. Charles Edwards : 44. 
Tellers for the Captain Margesson, 
Noes., Captain Bosyer: 170.

So it passed in the Negative.

The word "July" was there inserted in the Bill.

Ordered, That the Bill be now read the third time:—The Bill was accordingly read the third time and passed, with Amendments.

Ordered, That the Clerk do carry the Bill to the Lords, and acquaint them that this House hath agreed to the same, with Amendments; to which this House doth desire the concurrence of their Lordships.

The House, according to Order, proceeded to take into consideration the Prisons (Scotland) Bill, as amended in the Standing Committee.

A Motion was made, and the Question being put, That the Bill be now read the third time:—And a Debate arising thereupon;

And a Motion being made, and the Question being put, That the Debate be now adjourned—(Mr. Stephens);

The House divided.

The Yeas to the Right;
The Noes to the Left.
Tellers for the (Mr. Parkinson, 
Yea., Mr. Buchanan : 10.
Tellers for the (Lord Stanley, 
Noes., Mr. Frederick Thorns: 114.

So it passed in the Negative.

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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.

The Order of the day being read, for taking into consideration the University of London Bill [Lords], as amended in the Standing Committee;

Ordered, That the Bill be taken into consideration this day.

The Order of the day being read, for taking into consideration the Penal Servitude Bill [Lords], as amended in the Standing Committee;

Ordered, That this House will, this day, resolve itself into the said Committee.

The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Indian and Colonial Divorce Jurisdiction Bill [Lords];

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 Judicial Committee Bill [Lords];

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 Sale of Food (Weights and Measures) 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 Forestry 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 Wild Birds Protection 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 Betting Overseas (Prohibition) Bill;

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time this day.

The Order of the day being read, for taking into consideration the Amendments made by the Lords to the Criminal Justice (Increase of Penalties) Bill (changed to Penal Servitude Bill);

Ordered, That the said Amendments be taken into consideration this day.

The Order of the day being read, for the Committee of Supply;

Resolved, That this House will, this day, resolve itself into the said Committee.

The Order of the day being read, for the Committee of Ways and Means;

Resolved, That this House will, this day, resolve itself into the said Committee.

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Resolved, That the Special Order made by the Electricity Commissioners under the Electricity (Supply) Acts, 1882 to 1922, with the concurrence of the Minister of Health, and confirmed by the Minister of Transport under the Electricity (Supply) Act, 1919, constituting a joint board consisting of representatives of the Urban District Council of Urnston and the Rural District Council of Barton-upon-Irwell, for the joint exercise of powers under the said Acts in respect of the Urban District of Urnston and part of the Rural District of Barton-upon-Irwell, in the County Palatine of Lancaster, which was presented on the 20th day of July 1926, be approved.—(Colonel Moore-Brabazon.)

Resolved, That the Special Order made by the Electricity Commissioners under the Electricity (Supply) Acts, 1882 to 1922, confirmed by the Minister of Transport under the Electricity (Supply) Act, 1919, in respect of the Borough of Brecon (otherwise Brecknock), and the Parishes of Castle Inn and Christ's College, in the Urban District of Brecknock, in the County of Brecknock, which was presented on the 4th day of August 1926, be approved.—(Colonel Moore-Brabazon.)

Resolved, That the Special Order made by the Electricity Commissioners under the Electricity (Supply) Acts, 1882 to 1922, and confirmed by the Minister of Transport under the Electricity (Supply) Act, 1919, in respect of the Urban Districts of Salcombe and Kingsbridge and part of the Rural District of Kingsbridge, in the County of Devon, which was presented on the 29th day of August 1926, be approved.—(Colonel Moore-Brabazon.)

Resolved, That the Special Order made by the Electricity Commissioners under the Electricity (Supply) Acts, 1882 to 1922, confirmed by the Minister of Transport under the Electricity (Supply) Act, 1919, in respect of the Urban District of Whitchurch and Ellesmere, and the Rural Districts of Whitechurch and Ellesmere, in the County of Salop, and the Rural District of Malpas, in the County of Chester, which was presented on the 30th day of August 1926, be approved.—(Colonel Moore-Brabazon.)

Resolved, That the Special Order made by the Electricity Commissioners under the Electricity (Supply) Acts, 1882 to 1922, and confirmed by the Minister of Transport under the Electricity (Supply) Act, 1919, in respect of the Rural Districts of Whitchurch and Ellesmere, in the County of Salop, and the Rural District of Malpas, in the County of Chester, was presented on the 20th day of August 1926, be approved.—(Colonel Moore-Brabazon.)

Resolved, That the Special Order made by the Electricity Commissioners under the Electricity (Supply) Acts, 1882 to 1922, and confirmed by the Minister of Transport under the Electricity (Supply) Act, 1919, in respect of the Urban District of Herne Bay and part of the Rural District of Sheen, in the County of Kent, and for other purposes, which was presented on the 30th day of August 1926, be approved.—(Colonel Moore-Brabazon.)
Resolved, That the Special Order made by the Electricity Commissioners under the Electricity (Supply) Acts, 1892 to 1922, and confirmed by the Minister of Transport under the Electricity (Supply) Act, 1919, in respect of the Urban District of Nantwich and part of the Rural District of Nantwich, in the County of Chester, which was presented on the 26th day of August 1926, be approved.—(Colonel Moore-Brockton.)

And it being after half-past Eleven o'clock on Monday evening, Mr. Speaker adjourned the House without Question put, pursuant to the Standing Order, it being then twenty-one minutes before Two o'clock on Tuesday morning, till this day.

[No. 145.]
Tuesday, 7th December 1926.
The House met at a quarter of an hour before Three of the clock.

PRAYERS.

The Forth and Clyde Navigation (Callowley and Kirkhilloch Road Bridge) 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.

Secretary Sir John Gilmore presented a Bill to confirm a Provisional Order under the Private Legislation Procedure (Scotland) Act, 1899, relating to the Glasgow Goldsmiths Company : And the same was ordered (under Section 7 of the Act) to be taken into consideration to-morrow.

A Public Petition was presented, and read; and ordered to lie upon the Table.

Colonel Ashley presented, pursuant to the directions of several Acts of Parliament,—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—

(1) the Urban District of Bolsover, in the County of Derby;
(2) the Urban District of Holbeach, in the parts of Holland, in the County of Lincoln;
(3) the Urban District of Clayton, in the West Riding of the County of York.

Copy of Provisional Regulations made under the London Traffic Act, 1924, dated 3rd December 1926, entitled the London Traffic (Restricted Streets Amendment (Route No. 150) Provisional Regulations, 1926.

Ordered, That the said Papers do lie upon the Table.

Mr. Neville Chamberlain presented, pursuant to the directions of an Act of Parliament,—Copy of Regulations, dated 3rd December 1926, entitled the National Health Insurance (Navy, Army, and Air Force) Amendment Regulations (No. 2), 1926.

Ordered, That the said Paper do lie upon the Table.

Sir Edmund Turton reported from Standing Committee C, to whom the Mental Deficiency Bill (Lords) was referred: That they had gone through the Bill, and made Amendments thereof, and now asked leave to report the Bill 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, as amended in the Standing Committee, be taken into consideration upon Thursday next; and be printed.

A Motion was made, and the Question being put, That the Bill be considered on a day's Sittings of the House.—(The Prime Minister); The House divided.

The Yeas to the Right;—

The Noes to the Left.

Tellers for the Yeas,
Major Hennessy,
Mr. Frederick Thomson.
Tellers for the Noses,
Mr. Hayes:—123.

So it was resolved in the Affirmative.

A Motion was made, and the Question being put, That the continuance of State control shall be subject to the local option of the district affected.—(Brigadier-General Charteris.)

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; The House divided.

The Yeas to the Right;
The Noses to the Left.

Tellers for the Year,
Brigadier-General Charteris,
104.
Tellers for the Noses,
Captain Streathart:—118.

So it passed in the Negative.

Ordered, That leave be given to bring in a Bill to compel the publication by all political parties, organisations, and associations of income and expenditure duly certified and sanitised by chartered or incorporated accountants: And that Mr. Sexton, Mr. James Hudson, Mr. Riley, Mr. Ammon, Mr. Robinson, Mr. Charles Edwards, Mr. Lansbury, Mr. Lees

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Another Amendment proposed, in p. 2, l. 3, after the word "England," to insert the words "or the Court of Session in Scotland according to the Law for the time being in force in Scotland."—(Mr. Neil Maclean.)

Question put, That those words be there inserted.

The Committee divided.

Tellers for the [Mr. Neil Maclean, 
Yes, (Sir Ellis Home-Williams) 70. 
Mr. Frederick Thomson, 
Noes, (Captain Margesson : ) 144.

Another Amendment proposed, in p. 2, l. 18, to leave out paragraph (d).—(Sir Ellis Home-Williams.)

Question put, That those words be left out stand part of the Clause.

The Committee divided.

Tellers for the [Mr. Frederick Thomson, 
Yes, (Sir Ellis Home-Williams) 121. 
Mr. Secretary Gosling, 
Noes, (Captain Margesson : ) 54. 
Colonel Woodcock : 
Wednesday, 8th December 1926 :

Another Amendment proposed, in p. 3, l. 29, after the word "Chancellor," to insert the words "and after consultation with the Lord President of the Court of Session."—(Mr. Kidd.)

Question proposed, That those words be there inserted.

Amendment proposed to the proposed Amendment, to leave out the words "and after consultation with."—(Mr. Wedgwood Benn.)

Question, That the words proposed to be left out stand part of the proposed Amendment, put, and negatived.

Question put, That the words "and the Lord President of the Court of Session" be there inserted.

The Committee divided.

Tellers for the [Mr. Charles Edwards, 
Yes, (Mr. Hayes : ) 43. 
Major Cope, 
Noes, (Captain Bouyer : ) 100.

Clause agreed to.

Chambers No. 2 to No. 6 agreed to.

Bill to be reported.

Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair; and the Chairman of Ways and Means reported, That the Committee had gone through the Bill, and directed him to report the same, without Amendment.

Ordered, That the Bill be now read the third time:—The Bill was accordingly read the third time and passed.

Ordered, That the Clerk do carry the Bill to the Lords: and acquaint them that this House hath agreed to the same, without Amendment.

The Order of the day being read, for the Judicial Committee on the Indian and Colonial Divorce Jurisdiction Bill [Lords];
The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Forestry 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 Wild Birds Protection 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 Betting Overseas (Prohibition) Bill;

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The Order of the day being read, for taking into consideration the Amendments made by the Lords to the Criminal Justice (Increase of Penalties) Bill (changed to Penal Servitude Bill);

Ordered, That the said Amendments be taken into consideration this day.

The Order of the day being read, for the Committee of Supply;

Resolved, That this House will, this day, resolve itself into the said Committee.

The Order of the day being read, for the Committee of Ways and Means;

Resolved, That this House will, this day, resolve itself into the said Committee.

The Order of the day being read, for taking into consideration the Legitimacy Bill [Lords], as amended in the Standing Committee;

Ordered, That the Bill be taken into consideration this day.

And it being after half-past Eleven of the clock on Tuesday evening, Mr. Deputy Speaker adjourned the House without Question put, pursuant to the Standing Order, it being then twenty-nine minutes before One of the clock on Wednesday morning, till this day.

[No. 146.]

Wednesday, 8th December, 1926.

The House met at a quarter of an hour before Three of the clock.

PRAYERS.

The Order of the day being read, for taking Glasgow Memoria Bill into consideration the Glasgow Goldsmiths Company Order Confirmation Bill; Ordered, That the Bill be taken into consideration to-morrow.

Secretary Sir Austin Chamberlain presented, China (No. 3, by His Majesty's Command,—Copy of Report 1925-1926 of the Commission on Extra-Territoriality in China.

Ordered, That the said Paper do lie upon the Table.

Sir Arthur Steel-Maitland presented, pursuant Trade Boards to the directions of an Act of Parliament,—Note. Copy of Special Order, dated 4th December 1926, made under Sections 1 and 2 of the Trade Boards Act, 1919, entitled the Trade Boards (Milk Distributive) Order, 1926.

Ordered, That the said Paper do lie upon the Table.

Ordered, That the Examiners of Petitions for Mercantile Private Bills do examine the Mercantile Marine Memorial Bill with respect to compliance with the Standing Orders relative to Private Bills.

Mr. Morgan Jones reported from Standing Standing Committee D, to whom the Coroners (Amend­ment) Bill [Lords] was referred; That they had gone through the Bill, and made Amendments thereto.

Ordered, That the Report do lie upon the Table; and be printed.

Ordered, That the Minutes of the Proceedings of the Standing Committee be printed.

Ordered, That the Bill, as amended in the Standing Committee be taken into consideration upon Friday next; and be printed.

A Motion was made, and the Question being Main put, That this House regrets the policy pursued by His Majesty's Government during the lock-out in the mining industry, declares that the Government is deserving of censure for its disregard of the findings of the Royal Commission, for its partiality towards the mine owners, for its failure to control the prices of coal, and for the passing of the Coal Mines (Eight Hours) Act, which prolonged and embittered the dispute and resulted in the imposition of harsh terms upon men no longer able to resist; this House further declares that a decent standard of life and a living wage for miners can no longer be secured only by the nation taking over and reorganising the mining industry—(Mr. Romanes MacDonald);
8th December, 1926.

The House divided.

The Yeas to the Right;
The Noes to the Left;

Tellers for the Mr. Thomas Kennedy,
Yes, 131.
Tellers for the Commander Eyles,
Noes, 339.

So it passed in the Negative.

The Order of the day being read, for the Forestry Bill [Lords];

Resolved, That this House will, to-morrow, resolve itself into the said Committee.

The Order of the day being read, for the Committee on the Palestine and East Africa Loans (Guarantee) Bill;

Resolved, That this House will, to-morrow, resolve itself into the said Committee.

The Order of the day being read, for the Committee on the Judicial Committee Bill [Lords];

Resolved, That this House will, to-morrow, resolve itself into the said Committee.

The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Forestry 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 Wild Birds Protection 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 Betting Overseas (Prohibition) Bill;

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time to-morrow.

The Order of the day being read, for taking into consideration the Amendments made by the Lords to the Criminal Justice (Increase of Penalties) Bill (changed to Penal Servitude Bill);

Ordered, That the said Amendments be taken into consideration to-morrow.

The Order of the day being read, for the Committee of Supply;

Resolved, That this House will, to-morrow, resolve itself into the said Committee.

The Order of the day being read, for the Committee of Ways and Means;

Resolved, That this House will, to-morrow, resolve itself into the said Committee.

The Order of the day being read, for taking into consideration the Legitimacy Bill [Lords]; as amended in the Standing Committee;

Resolved, That the Bill be taken into consideration to-morrow.

The Order of the day being read, for the Electric Light and Power Bill (Supply) Acts, 1882 to 1922, and confirmed by the Minister of Transport under the Electricity (Supply) Act, 1910, in respect of the Rural District of Wrexham, in the County of Denbigh, which was presented on the 9th day of November 1926, be approved.—(Colonel Ashley.)

Resolved, That the Special Order made by the Electricity Commissioners under the Electricity (Supply) Acts, 1882 to 1922, and confirmed by the Minister of Transport under the Electricity (Supply) Act, 1910, in respect of part of the Rural District of Rudge, in the County of Shropshire, and part of the Rural District of East Grinstead, in the administrative County of East Sussex, which was presented on the 9th day of November 1926, be approved.—(Colonel Ashley.)

Resolved, That the Special Order made by the Electricity Commissioners under the Electricity (Supply) Acts, 1882 to 1922, and confirmed by the Minister of Transport under the Electricity (Supply) Act, 1910, in respect of part of the Rural District of Holywell, in the County of Flint, and part of the Rural District of Hersey, in the County of Shropshire, which was presented on the 9th day of November 1926, be approved.—(Colonel Ashley.)

Resolved, That the Special Order made by the Electricity Commissioners under the Electricity (Supply) Acts, 1882 to 1922, and confirmed by the Minister of Transport under the Electricity (Supply) Act, 1910, in respect of part of the Rural District of Peterhead, in the County of Aberdeenshire, and part of the Rural District of East Grinstead, in the administrative County of East Sussex, which was presented on the 9th day of November 1926, be approved.—(Colonel Ashley.)

Resolved, That the Special Order made by the Electricity Commissioners under the Electricity (Supply) Acts, 1882 to 1922, and confirmed by the Minister of Transport under the Electricity (Supply) Act, 1910, in respect of part of the Rural District of Hersey, in the County of Shropshire, and part of the Rural District of Holywell, in the County of Flint, which was presented on the 9th day of November 1926, be approved.—(Colonel Ashley.)

Resolved, That the Special Order made by the Electricity Commissioners under the Electricity (Supply) Acts, 1882 to 1922, and confirmed by the Minister of Transport under the Electricity (Supply) Act, 1910, in respect of part of the Rural District of Pontardawe, in the County of Glamorgan, which was presented on the 9th day of November 1926, be approved.—(Colonel Ashley.)

Resolved, That the Special Order made by the Electricity Commissioners under the Electricity (Supply) Acts, 1882 to 1922, and confirmed by the Minister of Transport under the Electricity (Supply) Act, 1910, in respect of part of the Rural District of Carmarthen, in the County of Carmarthenshire, and part of the Rural District of Llandilo Fawr, in the County of Glamorgan, which was presented on the 9th day of November 1926, be approved.—(Colonel Ashley.)

Resolved, That the Special Order made by the Electricity Commissioners under the Electricity (Supply) Acts, 1882 to 1922, and confirmed by the Minister of Transport under the Electricity (Supply) Act, 1910, in respect of part of the Rural District of Epsom, in the County of Surrey, which was presented on the 9th day of November 1926, be approved.—(Colonel Ashley.)

Resolved, That the Special Order made by the Electricity Commissioners under the Electricity (Supply) Acts, 1882 to 1922, and confirmed by the Minister of Transport under the Electricity (Supply) Act, 1910, in respect of part of the Rural District of Wrexham, in the County of Denbigh, which was presented on the 9th day of November 1926, be approved.—(Colonel Ashley.)

Resolved, That the Special Order made by the Electricity Commissioners under the Electricity (Supply) Acts, 1882 to 1922, and confirmed by the Minister of Transport under the Electricity (Supply) Act, 1910, in respect of part of the Rural District of Holywell, in the County of Flint, which was presented on the 9th day of November 1926, be approved.—(Colonel Ashley.)

Resolved, That the Special Order made by the Electricity Commissioners under the Electricity (Supply) Acts, 1882 to 1922, and confirmed by the Minister of Transport under the Electricity (Supply) Act, 1910, in respect of part of the Rural District of Carmarthen, in the County of Carmarthenshire, and part of the Rural District of Llandilo Fawr, in the County of Glamorgan, which was presented on the 9th day of November 1926, be approved.—(Colonel Ashley.)

Whereupon Mr. Speaker, pursuant to the Order of the House of the 27th day of September last, proposed the Question, That this House do now adjourn.

And the Question being put, — It was resolved in the Affirmative.

And accordingly the House, having continued to sit till fourteen minutes after Eleven of the clock, adjourned till to-morrow.
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 House, according to Order, resolved itself into a Committee on the Palestine and East Africa Loans (Guarantee) Bill.

(In the Committee.)

Clause No. 1 (Guarantee of Palestine and East African loans).

Amendment proposed, in p. 1, l. 12, to leave out the word "Kenya."—(Mr. Dalton.)

Question, That the word "Kenya," stand part of the Clause, put, and agreed to.

Another Amendment proposed, in p. 1, l. 21, to leave out the word "ten," in order to insert the word "five."—(Colonel Wedgwood.)

Question proposed, That the word "ten," stand part of the Clause:—Amendment, by leave, withdrawn.

Another Amendment proposed, in p. 1, l. 21, at the end, to insert the words,—

"Provided that no part of the moneys secured by the guarantees mentioned in this Act shall be expended on plant, machinery, or equipment which has not been manufactured in the United Kingdom or the British Empire, except in so far as any part of such sums guaranteed are to be applied to the purchase of already existing plant or machinery specified in the Schedule hereto. Provided that the provisions of this paragraph shall not apply in the case of any particular plant, machinery, or equipment in respect of which the Treasury thinks fit for any special reason to direct that they shall not apply nor shall they apply in the case of any such plant, machinery, or equipment required for mandated territories."—(Colonel Burton.)

Question put, That those words be there inserted:

And there being no Member willing to act as Teller for the Yeas, the Chairman declared that the Noes had it.

Another Amendment proposed, in p. 1, l. 21, at the end, to insert the words,—

"Provided also that the Fair Wages Clause or principle shall be followed in paying wages for work done in connection with the expenditure of the principal of the loans, and that in particular no wage paid to able-bodied men in Africa shall be less than fifteen shillings a month over and above the cost of maintaining the labourers."—(Colonel Wedgwood.)

Question proposed, That those words be there inserted:—Amendment, by leave, withdrawn.

Another Amendment proposed, in p. 3, l. 5, at the end, to insert the words "and such advisory committee shall, in considering any case, have regard to the advisability of imposing conditions to safeguard the interests of the natives and to the necessity for securing fair conditions of labour for those employed on works in connection with the purposes for which the loan is to be raised."—(Mr. Haden Guest.)
Question proposed, That those words be there inserted.—Amendment, by leave, withdrawn.
Clause No. 2 agreed to.
First Schedule agreed to.
Second Schedule.
Amendment proposed, in p. 4, to leave out II. 18 and 19.—(Mr. William Graham.)
Question proposed, That the word " Railways " stand part of the Schedule.—Amendment, by leave, withdrawn.
Another Amendment proposed, in p. 4, l. 18, after the word " Railways," to insert the words "other than a railway to the Tete coalfield."—(Mr. Johnston.)
Question put, That those words be there inserted.
The Committee divided.
Tellers for the [Mr. Parkinson.]
Yes, [Mr. Charles Edwards.]
Noes, [Captain Marples.]
Another Amendment proposed, in p. 4, l. 18, after the word " Railways " to insert the words "other than the Kenya Uganda Railway."—(Sir Frederic Wise.)
Question, That those words be there inserted, put, and negatived.
An Amendment made.
Schedule, as amended, agreed to.
Bill, as amended, to be reported.
Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair; and the Chairman of Ways and Means reported, That the Committee had gone through the Bill.
Ordered, That the Bill, as amended in the Committee, be taken into consideration tomorrow.

The House, according to Order, resolved itself into a Committee on the Sale of Food (Weights and Measures) Bill [Lords].

(In the Committee.)

Clauses No. 1 and No. 2 agreed to.
Clause No. 3 (Misrepresentation).
Amendment proposed, in p. 1, l. 16, after the second word " any " to insert the word " wilful."—(Sir Harry Foster.)
Question proposed, That the word " wilful " be there inserted.—Amendment, by leave, withdrawn.
Clause agreed to.
Clause No. 4 (Provisions applicable to the sale of certain articles of common consumption).
Amendment proposed, in p. 2, l. 3, at the end, to insert the words " except that, in the case of articles specified in Part II. and Part III. of that Schedule, where the article is weighed for sale in wrapper or container the weight purported to be sold may include the weight of the wrapper or container if the weight of the wrapper or container does not exceed—
(a) in the case of an article specified in Part II. of the Schedule two and a half pounds; and
(b) in the case of an article specified in Part III. of the Schedule for a parcel not exceeding three pounds in weight four and a half drams; for a parcel exceeding three pounds but not exceeding seven pounds in weight three and a half drams; and for a parcel exceeding seven pounds in weight three drams per pound of the article sold."—(Sir Philip Cunliffe-Lister.)

Question proposed, That those words be there inserted.
Amendment proposed to proposed Amendment in l. 6, to leave out the word " two " in order to insert the word " three."—(Mr. Gerald Hearn.)
Question, That the word " two " stand part of the proposed Amendment, put, and agreed to.
Proposed words there inserted.
Another Amendment proposed, in p. 2, l. 21, to leave out from the word " the " to the end of the paragraph, in order to insert the words " minimum net weight of the article contained therein, or, in any case where the weight of the wrapper or container is permitted by the preceding subsection to be included in the weight purported to be sold, of the minimum weight of the article with its wrapper or container."—(Sir Philip Cunliffe-Lister.)
Question, That the words proposed to be left out stand part of the Clause, put, and negatived.
Question proposed, That those words be there inserted.
Amendment proposed to proposed Amendment at the end to add the words " such statement to set forth that the weight includes the wrapper."—(Sir Douglas Newton.)
Question, That those words be there added, put, and negatived.
Proposed words there inserted.
Other Amendments made.
Clause, as amended, agreed to.
Clause No. 5 (Provisions applicable to the sale of butchers' meat).

Amendments made.
Another Amendment proposed, in p. 3, l. 11, at the end, to add the words,—"Provided that where at the request of the purchaser the meat is boned, trimmed, or subjected to any other process involving loss of weight before delivery, and the bones or other material thus removed are not delivered with the meat, such statement as aforesaid shall include a statement of the net weight of the meat (after such boning, trimming, or other process), as well as the net weight on which the purchase price is based."—(Sir Philip Cunliffe-Lister.)

Question proposed, That those words be there added.
Proposed words amended, in l. 9, by inserting after the word " meat " the words " or where at the request of the purchaser delivery of the meat is deferred," and in l. 4 by leaving out the words " (after such boning, trimming or other process) " and inserting the words " as sent out for delivery "—(Mr. Herbert Williams)—and, as amended, there inserted.
Ordered, That the Bill be taken into consideration to-morrow.

The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Forestry 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 Wild Birds Protection 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 Betting Overseas (Prohibition) Bill;

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time to-morrow.

The Order of the day being read, for taking into consideration the Criminal Justice (Increase of Penal Servitude) Bill;

Ordered, That the said Amendments be taken into consideration to-morrow.

The Order of the day being read, for taking into consideration the Legitimacy Bill [Lords], 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 consideration of the Amendments made by the Lords to the Criminal Justice (Increase of Penal Servitude) Bill;

Ordered, That the said Amendments be taken into consideration to-morrow.

Resolved, That the draft of a Special Order Gas Company, which was presented on the 11th November and published, be approved.—(Sir Burton Chadwick.)

Resolved, That the draft of a Special Order Gas proposed to be made by the Board of Trade Regulation Act, 1920, under Section 10 of the Gas Regulation Act, 1920, on the application of the Gloucester Gaslight Company, which was presented on the 18th November and published, be approved.—(Sir Burton Chadwick.)

Whereupon Mr. Speaker, pursuant to the Order of the House of the 27th day of September last, proposed the Question, That this House do now adjourn.

And the Question being put, it was resolved in the Affirmative.

And accordingly the House, having continued to sit till six minutes after Ten of the clock, adjourned till to-morrow.

Friday, 10th December 1926.

The House met at Eleven of the clock.

PRAYERS.

Mr. Speaker laid upon the Table,—Report Mercantile Marine Memorial Bill.

The Glasgow Goldsmiths Company Order (Glasgow Goldsmiths Company) 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.


Copy of Order in Council under the Merchant Shipping Acts, dated 2nd December 1926, further postponing the coming into operation of the Merchant Shipping (Convention) Act, 1914.


Ordered, That the said Papers do lie upon the Table.
Post Office (Island Post) Bill. 5

Sir William Mitchell-Thomson presented, pursuant to the directions of an Act of Parliament,—Copy of the Inland Post Amendment (No. 2) Warrant, 1926, dated 18th November 1926.

Ordered, That the said Paper do lie upon the Table.

Naval Reserve (Officers) Bill. 5

The Lords have agreed to the Naval Reserve (Officers) Bill, without any Amendment.

Workmen's Compensation (No. 2) Bill. 5

The Lords have agreed to the Workmen's Compensation (No. 2) Bill, without any Amendment.

Supreme Court of Judicature of Northern Ireland Bill. 5

The Lords have agreed to the Supreme Court of Judicature of Northern Ireland Bill, without any Amendment.

Electricity (Supply) Bill. 5

The Lords have agreed to the Electricity (Supply) Bill, with Amendments; to which the Lords desire the concurrence of this House.

Public Health (Smoke Abatement) Bill (Lords). 5

The Lords have agreed to the Amendments made by this House to the Public Health (Smoke Abatement) Bill (Lords), without any Amendment.

Ordered, That the Amendments made by the Lords to the Electricity (Supply) Bill be taken into consideration upon Monday next; and be printed.

Palestine and East Africa Loans (Guarantee) Bill. 5

The House, according to Order, proceeded to take into consideration the Palestine and East Africa Loans (Guarantee) Bill, as amended in the Committee.

And Amendments were made to the Bill, in p. 1, l. 6, by leaving out the words "or publish."—(Colonel Sir Arthur Holbrooke.)

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 Amendment was proposed to be made to the Bill, in p. 1, l. 12, by inserting, after the word "morals," the words "or in relation to the said proceedings any account thereof, or of the matters leading thereto, or concerning the parties thereto (other than evidence already given in court), written or supplied by a person convicted as the result of the said proceedings."—(Sir Ellis Home-Williams.)

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. 4, by inserting, after the word "person," the words "while undergoing his trial or having been."—(Major Birchall.)

And the Question being proposed, That those words be there inserted in the proposed Amendment;—The Amendment to the said proposed Amendment was, with leave of the House, withdrawn.

And the Question being again proposed, That those words be there inserted in the Bill;—(Colonel Sir Arthur Holbrooke.)

But it appearing from the Debate that the Amendment was outside the scope of the Bill, Mr. Speaker declined to put the Question thereupon to the House.

Then an Amendment was made to the Bill.

Another Amendment was proposed to be made to the Bill, in p. 1, l. 19, by leaving out the words "and witnesses."—(Sir Ellis Home-Williams.)

And the Question being proposed, That the words proposed to be left out, to the word "and," in l. 20, stand part of the Bill;

The House divided. 10

The Yeas to the Right;

Tellers for the Yeas, (Sir Herbert Sield : J 141. Starry Deans: 144.)

Tellers for the Noes, (Mr. Short: 30. Herbert Nield : 30.)

So it was resolved in the Affirmative.

Then other Amendments were made to the Bill.

Another Amendment was proposed to be made to the Bill, in p. 2, l. 11, by inserting, at the end thereof, the words "provided further that paragraph (b) of this subsection shall not apply to publications imported into Great Britain."—(Sir Henry Slesser.)

And the Question being proposed, That those words be there inserted in the Bill;—(Colonel Sir Arthur Holbrooke.)

And a Debate arising thereupon;

Major Kinderley 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 put, That those words be there inserted in the Bill;—(Mr. Short.)
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And the Question being proposed, That those words be there inserted in the Bill;

The proposed words were amended by leaving out the word "an," and inserting the words "a proprietor."—(Major Kindersley.)

Another Amendment was proposed to be made to the proposed Amendment, as amended, by leaving out the word "printer."—(Mr. Naylor.)

And the Question being proposed, That the word "printer" stand part of the proposed Amendment, as amended.—The Amendment to the said proposed Amendment, as amended, was, with leave of the House, withdrawn.

The proposed words, as amended, were further amended by inserting after the word "editor," the word "master."—-(Mr. Naylor.)

And the Question being put, That the words "other than a proprietor, editor, master printer, or publisher" be there inserted in the Bill.—It was resolved in the Affirmative.

Another Amendment was proposed to be made to the Bill, in p. 2, l. 16, by leaving out from the word "Act," to the end of the subsection.—(Mr. Short.)

And the Question being proposed, That the words proposed to be left out stand part of the Bill:—And a Debate arising thereupon;

Major Kindersley 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 "Major Kindersley, Yeas, (Mr. Dunnico : 133.

Tellers for the (Sir Ellis Hume.)

Noes, (Sir Frank Meyer : 30.

So it was resolved in the Affirmative.

And the Question being accordingly 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 taking Criminal Justice (Increase of Penalties) Bill (changed to Penal Servitude Bill); Ordered, That the said Amendments 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 Criminal Justice (Increase of Penalties) Bill (changed to Penal Servitude Bill);

Ordered, That the Clerk do carry the Bill to the Lords; and acquaint them that this 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 Criminal Justice (Increase of Penalties) Bill (changed to Penal Servitude Bill);

Ordered, That the Bill be taken into consideration upon Monday next.

Ordered, That this House will, upon Monday next, resolve itself into the said Committee.

The Order of the day being read, for taking Coroners (Amendment) Bill [Lords], as amended in the Standing Committee; Ordered, That the Bill be taken into consideration upon Monday next.

The Order of the day being read, for the Sale of Food (Weights and Measures) Bill [Lords];

Resolved, That this House will, upon Monday next, resolve itself into the said Committee.

The Order of the day being read, for taking Coroners (Amendment) Bill [Lords], as amended in the Standing Committee;

Ordered, That this House will, upon Monday next, resolve itself into the said Committee.

The Order of the day being read, for the Ways and Means Committee on the Sale of Food (Weights and Measures) Bill [Lords];

Resolved, That this House will, upon Monday next, resolve itself into the said Committee.

The Order of the day being read, for taking Coroners (Amendment) Bill [Lords], as amended in the Standing Committee;

Ordered, That this House will, upon Monday next, resolve itself into the said Committee.

The Order of the day being read, for the Ways and Means Committee on the Sale of Food (Weights and Measures);

Resolved, That this House will, upon Monday next, resolve itself into the said Committee.

The Order of the day being read, for the Judicial Committee on the Judicial Committee Bill Committee [Lords];

Ordered, That this House will, upon Monday next, resolve itself into the said Committee.

The Order of the day being read, for taking Criminal Justice (Increase of Penalties) Bill [Lords], as amended in the Standing Committee;

Ordered, That the Bill be taken into consideration upon Monday next.

Ordered, That this House will, upon Monday next, resolve itself into the said Committee.

Tellers for the (Major Kindersley, Yeas, (Mr. Dunnico : 133.

Tellers for the (Sir Ellis Hume.)

Noes, (Sir Frank Meyer : 30.

So it was resolved in the Affirmative.
FORESTRY BILL (Lords.)

The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Forestry Bill (Lords);
Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time upon Monday next.

WILD BIRDS PROTECTION BILL (Lords.)

The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Wild Birds Protection Bill (Lords);
Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time upon Monday next.

BETTING (OVERSEAS PROHIBITION) BILL.

The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Betting (Overseas Prohibition) Bill;
Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time upon Monday next.

LEGALITY BILL (Lords.)

The Order of the day being read, for taking into consideration the Legitimacy Bill (Lords), as amended in the Standing Committee;
Ordered, That the Bill be taken into consideration upon Monday next.

ELECTRICITY ACTS.

Resolved, That the Special Order made by the Electricity Commissioners under the Electricity (Supply) Acts, 1882 to 1922, and confirmed by the Minister of Transport under the Electricity (Supply) Act, 1919, in respect of the Parish of Merstham, in the Rural District of Reigate, in the County of Surrey, which was presented on the 30th day of August 1926, be approved, subject to the omission from the Second Schedule to the Order of the following streets, viz. —

Alderstead Lane;
Church Lane;
Gatton Bottom;
Beckingfield Road;
Roadway on the bridge carrying road between Jolliffe Row and Brighton Road over the Southern Railway.

—(Colonel Moore-Brabazon.)

Whereupon Mr. Speaker adjourned the House without Question put, pursuant to Standing Order No. 3, it being then sixteen minutes after Four of the clock, till Monday next.

[No. 149.]

Monday, 13th December 1926.

The House met at a quarter of an hour before Three of the clock.

PRAYERS.

STANDING Order 32 was read, and amended, Standing Orders
in l. 11, by leaving out the word “also,” and inserting the words “at the same time” instead thereof; and by leaving out the word “there- with,” and inserting the words “at the Vote Office” instead thereof; and in l. 15, by leaving out the word “or,” and inserting the words “and at the Committee and Private Bill Office for the use of any” instead thereof.

Ordered, That on or before the 14th day of January there shall be deposited with the Paymaster General for and on behalf of the Supreme Court of Judicature in England, if the work is intended to be done in England, in the case of (a) a Railway Bill or Tramway Bill, authorising the construction of works by other than an existing Railway Company or Tramway Company, incorporated by Act of Parliament, possessing a railway or tramway already open for public traffic, and which has during the year last paid dividends on its ordinary share capital, and which does not propose to raise under the Bill a capital greater than its existing authorised capital, a sum not less than Five per cent. on the amount of the
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Estimate of Expense on, in the case of substituted works, on the amount by which the expense thereof will exceed the expense of the works to be abandoned: (b) all Bills other than Railway Bills and Tramway Bills, a sum not less than Four per cent. on the amount of such estimate or of such excess as aforesaid.

Provided that in the case of any Bill under which no private or personal pecuniary profit or advantage is to be derived, and where the work is to be made out of money to be raised upon the security of the rates, duties, or revenues already belonging to or under the control of the Bill is first set down for Second Reading; the BiU may determine."

Standing Order 190 was read, and amended, in l. 5, by leaving out the word "in," and inserting the word "with" instead thereof; and, at the end, by adding the words "and Proceedings of the House."

Standing Order 106 was read, and amended, in l. 3, by leaving out the word "in," and inserting the word "with" instead thereof; and, after the word "Votes," by inserting the words "and Proceedings of the House."

Standing Order 190 was read, and amended, in l. 15, by leaving out from the word "Committee," to the second word "and," in l. 13.

Standing Order 152 was read, and repealed.

Standing Order 159 was read, and amended, in l. 9, by leaving out from the word "Charge" to the end of the Order, and inserting the words "they shall report specially to the House, explaining the grounds of their opinion as to do" instead thereof.

Standing Order 183 was read, and amended, in l. 6, by leaving out the words "make a Special Report," and inserting the words "report specially" instead thereof.

Standing Order 198 was read, and amended, in l. 5, by inserting after the word "certificate," the words "and the day upon which the Bill is first set down for Second Reading;" and in l. 11, by leaving out from the word "read a second time," and inserting the words "first set down for Second Reading" instead thereof.

Standing Order 204 was read, and amended, in l. 3, by leaving out the words "and Second;" in l. 5, by inserting after the word "certificate," the words "and the day upon which the Bill is first set down for Second Reading;" and, at the end, by inserting the words "or such further day as the Chairman of Ways and Means may determine."

Ordered, That this Order be a Standing Order of the House.

Standing Order 233 was read, and amended, in l. 4, by leaving out from the word "Office," to the end of the Order.

Standing Order 272 was read, and amended.

Standing Order 247 was read, and amended, in l. 4, by leaving out the word "before," and inserting the words "between eleven and" instead thereof; and, by leaving out the words "in the evening of," and inserting the word "on" instead thereof.—(The Chairman of Ways and Means.)

Ordered, That the said Paper do lie upon the Table.

Standing Order 244 was read, and amended, in l. 15, by leaving out the word "but," and inserting the words "Provided always that the provisions of "instead thereof.

Standing Order 235 was read, and amended, in l. 4, by leaving out from the word "Office," to the end of the Order.

Standing Order 258 was read, and repealed.

Standing Order 247 was read, and amended, in l. 4, by leaving out the word "before," and inserting the words "between eleven and" instead thereof; and, by leaving out the words "in the evening of," and inserting the word "on" instead thereof.—(The Chairman of Ways and Means.)

Secretary Sir Austen Chamberlain presented, pursuant to His Majesty's Command,—Copy of Papers respecting the Permanent Court of International Justice; Question of Accession of the United States of America to the Protocol of the Republic of Portugal in relation to the Boundary between the Mandated Territory of South West Africa and Angola, signed at Cape Town, 22nd June 1920.


Ordered, That the said Papers do lie upon the Table.

Ordered, That this Order be a Standing Order.

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The following Paper pursuant to the directions of an Act of Parliament, was laid upon the Table by the Clerk of the House:—

Copy of Account of the China Indemnity China Fund for the period ended 31st March 1926. Indemnity Fund.

Ordered, That the said Paper be printed. No. 158.

Ordered, That the said Paper do lie upon the Table.

Ordered, That the Standing Orders, as Standing

Ordered, That the said Paper be printed. No. 158.

Mr. Speaker acquainted the House, That a Message had been brought from the Lords by the Lords-

Deaths Registration BiU, without any Amendment.

Continuance BiU, without any Amendment.

(Scotland) BiU, without any Amendment.

Mr. Speaker acquainted the House, That a Message had been brought from the Lords by the Lords-

Standing Order 198 was read, and amended, be printed.

No. 158.

Mr. Speaker acquainted the House, That a Message had been brought from the Lords by the Lords-

The Lords have agreed to the Expiring Laws (Scotland) Bill, without any Amendment.

The Lords have agreed to the Rating (Scotland) Bill, without any Amendment.

The Lords have agreed to the Births and Deaths Registration Bill, without any Amendment.

The Lords have agreed to the Rating (Scotland) Bill, without any Amendment.

The Lords have agreed to the Expiring Laws Continuance Bill, without any Amendment.
The Lords have agreed to the Small Holdings and Allotments Bill, with an Amendment, to which they desire the concurrence of this House.

The Lords have agreed to the Wireless Telegraphy (Blind Persons Facilities) Bill, with Amendments, to which they desire the concurrence of this House.

The Lords have agreed to the Amendments made by this House to the Fertilisers and Feeding Stuffs Bill (Lords), without any Amendment.

University of London Bill (Lords).—Ordered, That the Bill be now read the third time and passed, with Amendments.

Barnet District Gas and Water Bill (Lords).—Ordered, That the Bill be now read the third time and passed, with Amendments.

Ordered, That the Amendments made by the Lords to the Wireless Telegraphy (Blind Persons Facilities) Bill be taken into consideration to-morrow; and be printed.

Colonel Henderson reported from the Select Committee on Estimates:—That they had directed him to make a Report thereof to the House, together with the Minutes of Evidence and Appendices.

Ordered, That the Report do lie upon the Table; and be printed.

Sir William Bull reported from the Select Committee on Public Petitions:—That they had examined the Petitions presented upon the 3rd and 7th days of this instant November, and had directed him to make a Report thereof to the House.

Ordered, That the Report do lie upon the Table; and be printed.

A Motion was made, and the Question being put, That the Proceedings on Government Business be exempted, at this day's Sitting, from the provisions of the Standing Order (Sittings of the House)—(The Prime Minister);—The House divided.


So it was resolved in the Affirmative.

A Clause was offered to be added to the Bill (Fire inquests by Coroners)—(Mr. Gates).

And the said Clause was brought up, and read the first time.

And a Motion being made, and the Question being put, That the said Clause be read a second time:—It passed in the Negative.

An Amendment was proposed to be made to the Bill, in p. 15, 1, 4, by leaving out Clause 28.—(Mr. Wulfrid Balyin.)

And the Question being put, That the words proposed to be left out stand part of the Bill:—It was resolved in the Affirmative.

Then an Amendment was made to the Bill.

Ordered, That the Bill be now read the third time:—The Bill was accordingly read the third time and passed, with Amendments.

Ordered, That the Clerk do carry the Bill to the Lords; and acquaint them that this House hath agreed to the same, with Amendments; to which this House doth desire the concurrence of their Lordships.

The House, according to Order, proceeded Legitimacy to take into consideration the Legitimacy Bill [Lords], as amended in the Standing Committee.

An Amendment was proposed to be made to the Bill, in p. 1, 1, 15, by leaving out subsection (2)—(Mr. Blues Davies.)

And the Question being put, That the words proposed to be left out stand part of the Bill:—The House divided.


So it was resolved in the Affirmative.

Ordered, That the Bill be now read the third time:—The Bill was accordingly read the third time and passed, with Amendments.

Ordered, That the Clerk do carry the Bill to the Lords; and acquaint them that this House hath agreed to the same, with Amendments; to which this House doth desire the concurrence of their Lordships.

The House, according to Order, resolved Sale of Food itself into a Committee on the Sale of Food (Weights and Measures) Bill [Lords].

(In the Committee.)

Clause No. 6 (Provisions applicable to the sale of bread).

Amendment proposed, in p. 3, 1, 14, to leave out the words "have in his possession" in order to insert the word "expose."—(Mr. Womersley.)

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. 17, at the end, to insert the words,—

"Provided that it shall be competent for any Local Authority to authorise the sale of loaves of one and a half pounds weight where such Local Authority is satisfied that there is a demand for loaves of this weight within the area of its authority."—(Mr. Jacob.)

Question proposed, That those words be there inserted.—Amendment, by leave, withdrawn.

An Amendment made.

Another Amendment proposed, in p. 3, to leave out l. 27 to 34.—(Mr. Paling.)

Question proposed, That the words proposed to be left out to the word "any," in l. 29, stand part of the Clause:—Amendment, by leave, withdrawn.

Other Amendments made.

Another Amendment proposed, in p. 4, l. 6, at the end, to add the words,—

"(7) In every case in which bread is weighed by an inspector, either in a shop or in the course of delivery, the inspector shall deliver a notice or certificate signed by him as to the result of such weighing, whether or not any deficiency is alleged."—(Mr. Womersley.)

Question, That those words be there added put, and negatived.

Clause, as amended, agreed to.

Clause No. 7 amended, and agreed to.

Clause No. 8 agreed to.

Clause No. 9 (Power of Board of Trade to make regulations).

Amendment proposed, in p. 4, l. 20, after the word "such," to insert the words "associations of Local Authorities and."—(Sir Douglas Newton.)

Question proposed, That those words be there inserted:—Amendment, by leave, withdrawn.

Amendments made.

Clause, as amended, agreed to.

Clause No. 10 disagreed to.

Clause No. 11 amended, and agreed to.

Clause No. 12 agreed to.

Clause No. 13 (Safeguards to Traders).

Amendment proposed, in p. 7, l. 7, after the word "accident," to insert the words "or other causes beyond his control and."—(Mr. Gerald Hurst.)

Question put, That those words be there inserted.

The Committee divided.

Tellers for the Yeas, Mr. Frederick Thomson: 210. Noes, Mr. Thomas Henderson: 79.

Another Amendment made.

Another Amendment proposed, in p. 7, l. 24, after the word "modifications," to insert the words "additions and amendments."—(Mr. George Harvey.)

Question proposed, That those words be there inserted:—Amendment, by leave, withdrawn.

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Another Amendment proposed, in p. 7, l. 31, to leave out from the word "Act" to the end of l. 34.—(Mr. Taylor.)

Question put, That the words proposed to be left out, to the word "to," in l. 32, stand part of the Clause.

The Committee divided.

Tellers for the yeas, Mr. Frederick Thomson: 197. Noes, Mr. Stephen: 54.

Other Amendments made.

Another Amendment proposed, in p. 7, l. 45, at the end, to insert the words,—

"Provided also that no conviction of an employee shall be lawful under this Section unless the employer or principal has exhibited on his premises a notice setting forth the statutory obligations under this Act applicable to his particular trade."—(Mr. Taylor.)

Question proposed, That those words be there inserted.

The Committee divided.

Tellers for the yeas, Mr. Parkinson, Mr. Ringes: 88. Noes, Mr. Frederick Thomson, Captain Bowyer: 195.

Another Amendment proposed in p. 8, l. 6, to leave out the word "seven" in order to insert the word "two."—(Mr. Gerald Hurst.)

Question proposed, That the word "seven" stand part of the Clause:—Amendment, by leave, withdrawn.

Other Amendments made.

Another Amendment proposed, in p. 8, l. 9, at the end, to add the words,—

"(?) In England a prosecution under this Act shall not be instituted except by or on behalf of the Director of Public Prosecutions, a Police Authority, or a Local Authority."—(Mr. Womersley.)

Question proposed, That those words be there added.

Proposed words amended, in l. 1, by leaving out the words "In England"—(The Lord Advocate)—and, as amended, there added.

Clause, as amended, agreed to.

Clause No. 14 (Interpretation).

Amendment proposed in p. 9, l. 1, to leave out subsection (2), in order to insert the words,—

"(2) For the purposes of this Act a person shall be deemed to weigh or measure any article in the presence of the purchaser or an inspector of weights and measures, as the case may be, if the operation of weighing is carried out in the shop or room in which the purchase is made and such person does not wilfully prevent the purchaser from having a view of the appliance used for and of the operation of weighing.—(Mr. George Harvey.)

Question, That the words proposed to be left out stand part of the Clause, put, and agreed to.

Amendments made.

Clause, as amended, agreed to.
Clause No. 15 (Short title, construction, commencement, repeal and extent).

Amendment proposed, in p. 9, l. 31, to leave out the word "October," in order to insert the word "May."—(Sir Philip Cunliffe-Lister.)

Question, That the word "October" stand part of the Clause, put, and negatived.

Question, That the word "May," be there inserted, put, and negatived.

Word "July" there inserted.—(Mr. Womersley.)

Another Amendment made.

Clause, as amended, agreed to.

A Clause (Application of Act)—(Sir Philip Cunliffe-Lister)—brought up, and read the first and second time; and added to the Bill.

First Schedule.

Amendment proposed, in p. 19, to leave out ll. 4 to 12, in order to insert the words,—

**Coffee beans.**
**Ground coffee, including chicory mixtures.**
**Cocoa.**
**Cocoa, powder.**
**Chocolate powder.**

Part II.

Articles required to be sold by net weight, except where weighed for sale in a wrapper or container and the weight of the wrapper or container does not exceed two and a half drams per pound of the articles sold:—

**Bacon.**
**Ham.**
**Butter.**
**Lard.**
**Suet.**

Part III.

Articles required to be sold by net weight, except where weighed for sale in a wrapper or container, and the weight of the wrapper or container does not exceed four and a half drams per pound of the article sold:—

**Flour of wheat, rye, maize, pea, or bean, including self-raising flour and cake flour.**
**Cornflour.**
**Oatmeal.**
**Rolled oats.**
**Rice.**
**Sago.**
**Tapioca.**
**Sugar.**
**Dried beans.**
**Dried peas.**
**Dried currants.**
**Dried sultanas.**

—(Sir Philip Cunliffe-Lister.)

Question, That the words proposed to be left out stand part of the Schedule, put, and negatived.

An amendment proposed to the proposed Amendment, in l. 7, at the end, to insert the words—

"Pressed beef or any meat so treated as to be fit for human consumption without further preparation or cooking (other than potted meats)."—(Mr. Barnes.)

Question, That those words be there inserted, put, and negatived.

Another Amendment proposed to the proposed Amendment, in l. 17, at the end, to insert the words—

"Lentils."

—(Mr. Barnes.)

Question, That those words be there inserted, put, and negatived.

Another Amendment proposed to the proposed Amendment, in l. 17, at the end, to insert the words—

"Leaves."

—(Mr. Barnes.)

Question, That those words be there inserted, put, and negatived.

Proposed words amended, in l. 21, by leaving out the words "four and a half" and inserting the words "specified number of"—(Sir Philip Cunliffe-Lister)—and, as amended, there inserted.

Schedule, as amended, agreed to.

Second Schedule amended, and agreed to.

Third 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, and made Amendments thereunto.

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 consideration the Mental Deficiency Bill [Lords];

Ordered, That this House will, to-morrow, resolve itself into the said Committee.

The Order of the day being read, for the Judicial Committee on the Judicial Committee Bill [Lords];

Ordered, That the Bill be taken into consideration to-morrow.

The Order of the day being read, for considering the Amendments made (Supply) Bill by the Lords to the Electricity (Supply) Bill;

The Lords' Amendment, in p. 7, l. 18, after "transport," insert "agriculture," the said Amendment being read a second time, was agreed to.
The Lords' Amendment, in p. 1, l. 25, leave out (" which he may hold for his own benefits "), and insert (" in which he may be beneficially interested "), the next Amendment, being read a second time, was disagreed to.

The words so restored to the Bill were amended, by inserting, after the word "hold," the words "in his own name or in the name of a nominee."—[Mr. Attorney General.]

The Lords' Amendment, in p. 2, l. 19, after (" mortmain ") insert (" and shall have power to regulate their own procedure:

Provided that the quorum of the Board shall not be less than one-third of the full number of the Board "), the next Amendment, being read a second time, was disagreed to.

The Lords' Amendment, in p. 3, l. 8, at end, insert new sub-section,—

(" (11) Where the chairman or other member of the Board becomes disqualified for holding office or is absent from the meetings of the Board for more than six months consecutively, except for some reason approved by the Minister of Transport, or fails to comply with the foregoing provisions of this section, the Minister of Transport shall forthwith declare the office to be vacant, and shall notify the fact in such manner as he thinks fit, and thereupon the office shall become vacant ";), the next Amendment, being read a second time, was disagreed to.

An Amendment was made to the Bill, in lieu of the Lords' Amendment last disagreed to, by inserting, in p. 2, l. 17, as the end thereof, the words,—

(" (11) Where the chairman or other member of the Board becomes disqualified for holding office or is absent from the meetings of the Board for more than six months consecutively, except for some reason approved by the Minister of Transport, or fails to comply with the foregoing provisions of this section, the Minister of Transport shall forthwith declare the office to be vacant, and shall notify the fact in such manner as he thinks fit, and thereupon the office shall become vacant. ")—[Mr. Attorney General.]"

The Lords' Amendment, in p. 3, l. 17, leave out (" exercise by them on behalf of the Board "), and insert (" delegation to them "), the next Amendment, being read a second time, was agreed to.

The Lords' Amendment, in p. 3, l. 19, as end, insert new subsection —

(" (3) Where proposals are made to the Board by any association of owners of generating stations which, by virtue of this Act, become selected stations within an area for which a scheme has been adopted under this Act for the delegation to the association of any powers and duties of the Board within that area, then, if the Board are satisfied that the association making the proposals is a fit and proper body to carry out those powers and duties, the Board shall comply with the proposals if and so far as they consider it practicable to do so without prejudice to the efficient discharge of the general duties of the Board, or to the efficient execution of the scheme within the area, but subject to such conditions as the Board may think fit to impose "), 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 \\
Lord Stanley. 
Yea, \{Captain Margesson \} 200.

Tellers for the \\
Mr. Parkinson. 
Noo, \{Mr. Charles Edwards \} 93.

So it was resolved in the Affirmative.

Then the subsequent Lords' Amendments, as far as the Amendment in p. 7, l. 21, being read a second time, were agreed to.

The Lords' Amendment, in p. 7, l. 31, leave out from (" station "), to the end of subsection, the next Amendment, being read a second time, was disagreed to.

And a Motion being made, and the Question being put, That this House doth agree with the Lords in the said Amendment—[Colonel Ashley;]

The House divided.

The Yeas to the Right;

The Noes to the Left.

Tellers for the \\
Major Hanbury. 
Yea, \{Captain Margesson \} 177.

Tellers for the \\
Mr. Parkinson. 
Noo, \{Mr. Charles Edwards \} 90.

So it was resolved in the Affirmative.

Then the subsequent Lords' Amendments, as far as the Amendment in p. 23, l. 39, being read a second time, were agreed to.

The Lords' Amendment, in p. 23, l. 39, after (" manner "), insert (" and subject to such conditions "); the next Amendment, being read a second time, was disagreed to.

Then the subsequent Lords' Amendments, as far as the Amendment in p. 29, l. 14, were agreed to.

The Lords' Amendment, in p. 29, l. 14, leave out from (" supply "), to (" is "), in l. 16, the next Amendment, being read a second time, was disagreed to.

The Lords' Amendment, in p. 30, l. 23, at end, insert—

(" (ii) where the area of supply is not situate wholly or mainly within the district of a joint electricity authority but is situate wholly within the district of a single local authority, the right of purchase shall be exercisable by that local authority "); the next Amendment, being read a second time, was disagreed to.

The Lords' Amendment, in p. 30, l. 35, leave out (" dividends paid by the company "), and insert (" distributable profits on the capital attributable to the undertaking authorised by the special order "); the next Amendment, being read a second time, was agreed to.

The Lords' Amendment, in p. 31, l. 10, at end, insert new Clause D (Power to alter terms of purchase by agreement), the next Amendment, being read a second time, was agreed to.

Ordered, That further consideration of the Lords' Amendments be now adjourned.—[Mr. Attorney General.]

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Ordered, That the said Amendments be taken into further consideration to-morrow.

And the House having continued to sit till after Twelve of the clock on Tuesday morning:

TUESDAY, 14TH DECEMBER 1926:

The House, according to Order, proceeded to take into consideration the Amendments made by the Lords to the Criminal Justice (Increase of Penalties) Bill (changed to Penal Servitude Bill);

The Lords' Amendment, in the Title, leave out (" punishment "), and insert (" penal servitude in lieu of imprisonment "), the first Amendment, being read a second time, was agreed to.

The Lords' Amendment, in p. 1, l. 16, at end, insert—

(" Provided that if, on an appeal by a person sentenced under this Act to penal servitude in respect of two or more offences with which he was charged on separate indictments, it appears to the Court of Criminal Appeal that the appellant, though not properly convicted on some indictment, has been properly convicted on some other indictment, the Court shall have the like powers as if the appellant had been convicted of the offences on different counts or parts of the same indictment; but where an appellant convicted of two or more offences, whether on one or more indictments, has been sentenced under this Act to penal servitude in respect of two or more offences and his conviction of any such offence is quashed by the Court of Criminal Appeal, the Court shall not affirm any sentence passed at the trial or pass any sentence in substitution thereof which is more severe than would have been warranted by law if the appellant had been acquitted at the trial of any charge in respect of which his conviction is quashed "), the next Amendment, being read a second time;

And a Motion being made, and the Question proposed to be made by the Board of Trade with the Lords in the said Amendment.—(Mr. Gresan-Lord.)

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 Debate be resumed this day.

The Order of the day being read, for the Committee of Supply:

Resolved, That this House will, this day, resolve itself into the said Committee.

The Order of the day being read, for the Committee of Ways and Means:

Resolved, That this House will, this day, resolve itself into the said Committee.

The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Forestry Bill (Lords);

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time this day.

Wild Birds Protection Bill (Lords.)

The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Wild Birds Protection Bill (Lords);

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time this day.

The Order of the day being read, for the Betting Overseas (Prohibition) Bill;

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time this day.

The Order of the day being read, for the Betting Second Reading of the Betting Overseas (Prohibition) Bill;

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time this day.

Received, That the draft of a Special Order Gas proposed to be made by the Board of Trade under Section 10 of the Gas Regulation Act, 1926, on the application of the Ludlow Union Gas Company, which was presented on the 24th November and published, be approved.—(Sir Burton Chadwick.)

Received, That the draft of a Special Order Gas proposed to be made by the Board of Trade under Section 10 of the Gas Regulation Act, 1926, on the application of the Hoddesdon Gas and Coke Company, Limited, which was presented on the 25th November and published, be approved.—(Sir Burton Chadwick.)

Received, That the draft of a Special Order Gas proposed to be made by the Board of Trade under Section 10 of the Gas Regulation Act, 1926, on the application of the Leighton Buzzard Gas Company, which was presented on the 25th November and published, be approved.—(Sir Burton Chadwick.)

Received, That the draft of a Special Order Gas proposed to be made by the Board of Trade under Section 10 of the Gas Regulation Act, 1926, on the application of the Redditch Gas Company, which was presented on the 25th November and published, be approved.—(Sir Burton Chadwick.)

Received, That the draft of a Special Order Gas proposed to be made by the Board of Trade under Section 10 of the Gas Regulation Act, 1926, on the application of the Bridgewater Gas Light Company, which was presented on the 25th November and published, be approved.—(Sir Burton Chadwick.)

Received, That the draft of a Special Order Gas proposed to be made by the Board of Trade under Section 10 of the Gas Regulation Act, 1926, on the application of the Mayor, Aldermen, and Burgesses of the Borough of Warrington, which was presented on the 25th November and published, be approved.—(Sir Burton Chadwick.)

Received, That the draft of a Special Order Gas proposed to be made by the Board of Trade under Section 10 of the Gas Regulation Act, 1926, on the application of the Torquay and Paignton Gas Company, which was presented on the 25th November and published, be approved.—(Sir Burton Chadwick.)

Received, That the draft of a Special Order Gas proposed to be made by the Board of Trade under Section 10 of the Gas Regulation Act, 1926, on the application of the Mayor of the Urban District of North Walsham, and parts of the Rural Districts of Aylsham, Blofield,
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Forenoon, Runnymede, Lodden and Clavering, Miford and Ladnock, St. Faith's, Smallburgh and Wayland, all in the County of Norfolk, which was presented on the 9th day of November, 1926, be approved subject to the following modifications, viz.:—

Page 5, line 40, after "North Walsham urban district," insert "(excluding the road on and approaches to the bridge carrying the first-mentioned road over the Norfolk and Suffolk Joint Railway)."

Page 6, lines 45 and 46, leave out "The Ayesham to Mundelsey (via North Walsham) Road, in the urban district of North Walsham."—(Colonel Ashley.)

Resolved, That the Special Order made by the Electricity Commissioners under the Electricity (Supply) Act, 1919, in respect of the Urban District of Bakewell, Baslow and Bubnell and South Darley, and part of the Rural District of Bakewell, in the county of Derby, which was presented on the 23rd day of November, 1926, be approved.—(Colonel Ashley.)

Resolved, That the Special Order made by the Electricity Commissioners under the Electricity (Supply) Acts, 1882 to 1922, and confirmed by the Minister of Transport under the Electricity (Supply) Act, 1919, in respect of the Urban Districts of Bakewell, Baslow and Bubnell and South Darley, and part of the Rural District of Bakewell, in the county of Derby, which was presented on the 23rd day of November, 1926, be approved.—(Colonel Ashley.)

And it being after half-past Eleven of the clock on Monday evening, Mr. Speaker adjourned the House without Questions put, pursuant to the Standing Order, it being then eight minutes after Twelve of the clock on Tuesday morning till this day.

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Tuesday, 14th December 1926.

The House met at a quarter of an hour before Three of the clock.

PRAYERS.

Mr. McNeill presented,—Return to an Order, dated the 6th day of this instant December, for a Return relative to the Public Accounts.

Ordered, That the said Return do lie upon the Table; and be printed.


Ordered, That the said Paper do lie upon the Table.

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Of all the Private Bills, Hybrid Bills, and Bills for confirming Provisional Orders which in Session 1926 have been reported on by Committees on Opposed Private Bills or by Committees nominated partly by the House and partly by the Committee of Selection, together with the names of the selected Members who served on each Committee; the first and also the last day of the sitting of each Committee; the number of days on which each Committee sat; the number of days on which each selected Member has served; the number of days occupied by each Bill in Committee; the Bills the Preambles of which were reported to have been proved; the Bills the Preambles of which were reported to have been not proved; and, in the case of Bills for confirming Provisional Orders, whether the Provisional Orders ought or ought not to be confirmed:

Of all Private Bills and Bills for confirming Provisional Orders which, in Session 1926, have been referred by the Committee of Selection to the Committee on Unopposed Bills, together with the names of the Members who served on the Committee; the number of days on which the Committee sat; and the number of days on which each Member was summoned and on which each Member attended:

And of the number of Private Bills, Hybrid Bills, and Bills for confirming Provisional Orders, whether or not proceeded with by the parties, those Bills being specified which have been referred to Committees and dropped during the sittings of the Committee (in continuation of Parliamentary Paper, No. 0.003, of Session 1924-25).—(The Deputy Chairman.)

Ordered, That there be laid before this House a Return of the number of Public Petitions presented and printed in Session 1926, with the total number of signatures in each Session (in continuation of Parliamentary Paper, No. 0.005, of Session 1924-25).—(The Deputy Chairman.)

Ordered, That there be laid before this House a Return of the number of Public Bills, distinguishing Government from other Bills, introduced into this House, or brought from the House of Lords, during Session 1926; showing the number which received the Royal Assent; the number which were passed by this House, but not by the House of Lords; the number passed by the House of Lords, but not by this House; and distinguishing the stages at which such Bills as did not receive the Royal Assent were dropped or postponed and rejected in either House of Parliament (in continuation of Parliamentary Paper, No. 0.004, of Session 1924-25).—(The Deputy Chairman.)

Ordered, That the Special Report do lie upon the Table; and be printed.

Ordered, That the Minutes of Proceedings No. 162 be printed.

Mr. Runnion reported from the Select Committee on Government Bills, that they had considered the Bills referred to them, and directed him to make a Report to the House.

Ordered, That the Report do lie upon the Table; and be printed.

Mr. Speaker acquainted the House, That a Message from the Lords, together with No. 163, the Minutes of the Evidence taken before them, and Appendices, had been brought from the Lords by the Chairman of Committees, and of the attendance of witnesses at each Select Committee, and the name of the Member who moved for such Select Committee; also the total number of Members who served on Select Committees (in continuation of Parliamentary Paper, No. 0.001, of Session 1924-25).—(The Deputy Chairman.)

Ordered, That there be laid before this House a Return of the dates on which the House sat during Session 1926, 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.)

Ordered, That there be laid before this House a Return for Session 1926 of (1) the total number of Members who have been appointed to serve on one or more of the five Standing Committees appointed under Standing Order No. 47, showing, with regard to each of such Members, the number of sittings to which he was summoned and at which he was present: (2) the number of Bills considered by all and by each of the Standing Committees, the number of days on which each Committee sat, and the names of all Bills considered by a Standing Committee, distinguishing where a Bill was a Government Bill or was brought from the House of Lords, and showing, in the case of each Bill, the parties, those Bills being specified which have been considered by the Committee, and the number of Members present on each of those days (in continuation of Parliamentary Paper, No. 0.002, of Session 1924-25).—(The Deputy Chairman.)

Sir Thomas Robinson 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.

Mr. Burrows reported from the Select Committee on Resolutions (in continuation of Parliamentary Paper, No. 0.003, of Session 1924-25), and directed him to make a Special Report to the House.

Ordered, That the Special Report do lie upon the Table; and be printed.

Mr. Speaker acquainted the House, That a Message from the Lords had been brought from the Lords by the Clerk of the House of Lords, that they had further considered the matters to them referred, and directed him to make a Report to the House of Lords; together with No. 163, the Minutes of the Evidence taken before them, and Appendices, and of the attendance of witnesses at each Select Committee, and the name of the Member who moved for such Select Committee; also the total number of Members who served on Select Committees (in continuation of Parliamentary Paper, No. 0.001, of Session 1924-25).—(The Deputy Chairman.)

Ordered, That the Report do lie upon the Table; and be printed.

Ordered, That the Special Report do lie upon the Table; and be printed.

The Lords have agreed to the Roman Catholic Relief Bill, without any Amendment.

The Lords have agreed to the Palestine and East Africa Loans (Guarantee) Bill, without any Amendment.
The Lords have agreed to the Prisons (Scotland) Bill, without any Amendment.

The Lords have agreed to the Glasgow Goldsmiths Company Order Confirmation Bill, without any Amendment.

The Lords have agreed to the Housing (Rural Workers) Bill, with Amendments; to which the Lords desire the concurrence of this House.

The Lords have agreed to the Judicial Proceedings (Regulation of Reports) Bill, with Amendments; to which the Lords desire the concurrence of this House.

The Lords have agreed to the Merchandise Marks (Imported Goods) 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 Coroners (Amendment) Bill [Lords], without any Amendment.

Ordered, That the Amendments made by the Lords to the Housing (Rural Workers) Bill be taken into consideration to-morrow; and to be printed.

Ordered, That the Amendments made by the Lords to the Judicial Proceedings (Regulation of Reports) Bill be taken into consideration to-morrow; and be printed.

Ordered, That the Amendments made by the Lords to the Merchandise Marks (Imported Goods) Bill be taken into consideration to-morrow; and be printed.

Ordered, That the Amendment made by the Lords to the Small Holdings and Allotments Bill be now taken into consideration.—(Mr. Guinness.)

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 the Lords, relating thereto: And the same was read the second time, and ordered to be read a second time to-morrow; and to be printed.

Ordered, That the House do meet to-morrow, at Twelve o'clock.—(Commander Eyres-Monsell.)

Resolved, That this House do meet to-morrow, at Twelve o'clock.—(Commander Eyres-Monsell.)

Ordered, That leave be given to bring in a Bill to amend Section eighty-four of the Education Act, 1921: And that Miss Lawrence, Mr. March, Mr. Morgan Jones, Mr. Lansbury, and Mr. Richardson do prepare and bring it in.

Miss Lawrence accordingly presented a Bill to amend Section eighty-four of the Education Act, 1921: And the same was read the first time, and ordered to be read a second time to-morrow; and to be printed.

Ordered, That leave be given to bring in a Bill to provide for the inspection of dams, embankments, and reservoirs, and for other purposes relating thereto: And that Major Owen, Mr. Ellis Davies, Mr. Haydn Jones, Vol. 181, Mr. Haynes, Sir Murdoch Macdonald, Mr. C. P. Williams, and Mr. Herbert Williams do prepare and bring it in.

Major Owen accordingly presented a Bill to provide for the inspection of dams, embankments, and reservoirs, and for other purposes relating thereto: And the same was read the first time, and ordered to be read a second time to-morrow; and to be printed.

The Lords, according to Order, proceeded to take into further consideration the Amendments made by the Lords to the Electricity (Supply) Bill.

The Lords' Amendment, in p. 32, l. 26, at end, insert new subsections,—

"(2) Where the Board or any authorised undertakers have, in pursuance of powers conferred on them under Section twenty-two of the Electricity (Supply) Act, 1919, erected on any land supports for an electric line above ground, the Board or undertakers shall, for the purposes of Section eight of the Mines (Working Facilities and Support) Act, 1923, be deemed to be persons having an interest in the land on which such supports are erected.

(3) Where an application has been made to the Minister of Transport for his consent to the placing of any electric line above ground, and representations are made that the line will prejudicially affect any ancient monument within the meaning of the Ancient Monuments (Consolidation and Amendment) Act, 1913, the Minister of Transport, in determining whether to give or withhold his consent, or to impose conditions, shall take into consideration any recommendations made to him by the Commissioners of Works with a view to preventing the ancient monument being prejudicially affected")

The next Amendment, being read a second time, was agreed to.

The Lords' Amendment, in p. 33, l. 16, at end, insert new Clause E (Supply of electricity to railway companies, &c.), the next Amendment, being read a second time, was amended, in l. 5, by leaving out the word " tramway "; in l. 7, by inserting, after the word " subject," the words " to the consent of the Minister of Transport and "; in l. 8, by leaving out the words " the Minister of Transport," and inserting the word " he," instead thereof; in l. 13, by inserting after the word " subject," the words " to the consent of the Minister of Transport and "; in l. 14, by leaving out the words " the Minister of Transport," and inserting the word " he," instead thereof; and, in l. 18, by leaving out from the word " that " to the end of the Clause, and inserting the words " the Minister of Transport shall not in any case give any such consent until notice of the application for the consent has been given by advertisement or otherwise in such manner as the Minister may direct, and an opportunity has been given to any person who appears to the Minister to be affected of making representations thereon," instead thereof.—(Sir Douglas Newton.)—and, so amended, was agreed to.

The Lords' Amendment, in p. 35, l. 17, at end, insert new Clause F (" Use of electricity by port undertakings, &c."). The next Amendment, being read a second time, was disagreed to.
The House, according to Order, proceeded to take into consideration the Sale of Food (Weights and Measures) Bill [Lords], as amended in the Committee.

Ordered, That the Bill be now read the third time:—The Bill was accordingly read the third time and passed, with Amendments.

Ordered, That the Clerk do carry the Bill to the Lords; and acquaint them, That this House hath agreed to the same, with Amendments; to which this House doth desire the concurrence of their Lordships.

The Lords' Amendment, in p. 1, l. 20, at end add:—The expenses incurred by a council under this Act shall be defrayed in like manner as expenses under the said Act, if it were a county borough and the Common Council were the council of a county borough and the general rate were the borough fund or rate.

In the application of this section to Scotland 'county borough' has the same meaning as in the Blind Persons Act, 1929, and the expenses incurred by a county or town council under this Act shall be defrayed in like manner as expenses under the said Act, if the remaining Amendment, being read a second time, and it appearing that the object of the Amendment was to rectify an omission of 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 Amendments made by their Lordships.

The Order of the day being read, for resuming the adjourned Debate on the Question proposed upon the 13th day of this instant December on Consideration of the Amendments made by the Lords to the Criminal Justice (Increase of Penalties) Bill [changed to "Penal Servitude Bill"], That this House doth agree with the Lords in the Amendment, in p. 1, l. 16, at end, insert:—

"Provided that if, on an appeal by a person sentenced under this Act to penal servitude in respect of two or more offences with which he was charged on separate indictments, it appears to the Court of Criminal Appeal that the Appellant, though not properly convicted on some indictment, has been properly convicted on some other indictment, the Court shall have the like powers as if the appellant had been convicted of the offences on different counts or parts of the same indictment; but where an appellant convicted of two or more offences, whether on one or more indictments, has been sentenced under this Act to penal servitude in respect of two or more offences and his conviction of any such offence is quashed by the Court of Criminal Appeal, the Court shall not affirm any sentence passed at the trial or pass any sentence in substitution therefor which is more severe than would have been warranted by law if the appellant had been acquitted at the trial of any charge in respect of which his conviction is quashed "."

And the Question being again proposed:—

Then the remaining Lords' Amendments, as far as the Amendment in p. 2, l. 12, being read a second time, were agreed to.

The Lords' Amendment, in p. 2, l. 12, leave out (" Criminal Justice (Increase of Penalties),") and insert (" Penal Servitude "), the remaining 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. Greaves-Lord;)

The House divided.

The Yeas to the Right:—

The Noes to the Left:

Tellers for the [Mr. Greaves-Lord,]

Yea, Mr. Rentoul; 

Noo, Mr. Lansbury; 

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So it was resolved in the Affirmative.

Ordered, That the Clerk do carry the Bill to the Lords; and acquaint them that this House hath agreed to the Amendments made by their Lordships.

The Order of the day being read, for taking into consideration the Mental Deficiency Bill [Lords], as amended in the Standing Committee; Bill [on fo.] Resolved, That the Clerk do carry the Bill to the Lords.

The Order of the day being read, for the Committee on the Judicial Committee Bill Committee on the Criminal Justice Bill Committee on the Criminal Justice Bill [Lords];—

Resolved, That this House will, to-morrow, resolve itself into the said Committee.

The Order of the day being read, for the Committee of Supply on the Criminal Justice Bill [Lords];—

Resolved, That this House will, to-morrow, resolve itself into the said Committee.

The Order of the day being read, for the Committee of Ways and Means;—

Resolved, That this House will, to-morrow, resolve itself into the said Committee.
Colonel Moore-Braham 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 Electricity (Supply) Bill: That they had drawn up Reasons accordingly, which they had directed him to report to the House; and the same were read, as follows:

The Commons disagree to the Amendment made by the Lords, in p. 23, l. 39, for the following Reason:—

Because it affects the administration of public funds, and the Commons do not offer any further Reason, trusting the above Reason may be deemed sufficient.

The Commons disagree to the Amendment made by the Lords, in p. 29, l. 14, for the following Reason:—

Because it is not expedient that the provision in question should apply except in cases where the area of supply is a large area and it is expedient to give the Electricity Commissioners some guidance as to what area is to be deemed adequate by indicating that an area of supply comprising an area less than the whole of the districts of two local authorities is not to be treated as adequate.

The Commons disagree to the Amendment made by the Lords, in p. 30, l. 23, for the following Reason:—

Because it is consequential on the last preceding Amendment to which the Commons have disagreed.

The Commons disagree to the Amendment made by the Lords, in p. 35, to insert new Clause (Use of Electricity by port undertakings, &c.) for the following Reason:—

Because the provisions of the new Clause, taken in conjunction with the provisions for the interconnection of the systems of various electricity undertakers, are sufficient to safeguard the interests of dock and harbour authorities.

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.

A Motion was made, and the Question being put, That this House do now adjourn—(Commander Eyres-Monsell); It was passed in the Negative.

The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Forestry 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 Wild Birds Protection 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 Betting Overseas (Prohibition) Bill;

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time.
Mr. Neville Chamberlain presented, by His Majesty's Command,—Copy of Report by the Government Actuary on the Second Valuation of the Assets and Liabilities of Approved Societies, dated 19th August 1926, entitled the Board of Guardians (Outside London) (Estimates and Precepts) Order, 1926.

Copies of Orders made under the Rating and Valuation Act, 1925,

(1) dated 14th September 1926, entitled the Rating and Valuation (Doncaster Assessment Area and Committee) Order, 1926;
(2) dated 20th November 1926, entitled the Rating and Valuation (County Valuation Committees) Order, 1926;
(3) dated 3rd December 1926, entitled the Rating and Valuation (Brecon Rating Area) Order, 1926.

Copy of the National Health Insurance (Approved Societies) Amendment Regulations, 1926, dated 14th December 1926.

Ordered, That the said Papers be laid upon the Table.

The following Papers were laid upon the Table by the Clerk of the House:

Return to an Order, dated the 14th day of this instant December, for a Return relative to Business of the House.

Return to an Order, dated the 14th day of this instant December, for a Return relative to Closure of Debate (Standing Order No. 26).

Return to an Order, dated the 14th day of this instant December, for a Return relative to Private Bills and Private Business.

Return to an Order, dated the 14th day of this instant December, for a Return relative to Public Bills.

Return to an Order, dated the 14th day of this instant December, for a Return relative to Public Petitions.

Return to an Order, dated the 14th day of this instant December, for a Return relative to Select Committees.

Return to an Order, dated the 14th day of this instant December, for a Return relative to Sittings of the House.

Return to an Order, dated the 14th day of this instant December, for a Return relative to Standing Committees.

Ordered, That the Returns relative to 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.

Mr. Speaker laid upon the Table:

1. List of the Bills, Reports, Estimates, and Accounts and Papers printed by Order of the House, and of Papers presented by Command, Session 1926--1927, with a General Alphabetical Index thereto, 34th Parliament, Second Session, 16th and 17th George V., and February 1926 to 16th December 1926; and
2. General Index to the Bills, Reports, Estimates, and Accounts and Papers printed by Order of the House of Commons, and to the Papers presented by Command 1910 to 1919.

Ordered, That the said Papers be printed.

Ordered, That there be laid before this House a Return of all the Draft Provisional Orders made under the Private Legislation Procedure (Scotland) Act, 1899, which in the Session of 1926 have been reported on by the 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 sat; the number of days on which each Commissioner has served; the number of days occupied by each Draft Provisional Order before Commissioner; 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 1926 have been dealt with.—(Secretary Sir John Gilmour.)

The Order made on the 14th day of this instant December for a Return relative to Tramways and Light Railways (Street and Road) and Trackless Trolley Undertakings was read, and discharged.

Mr. Speaker acquainted the House, That a Message from the Lords was read, and discharged.

Ordered, That the Report do lie upon the Table:

The Lords have agreed to the Amendments made by this House to the Legitimacy Bill [Lords], without any Amendment.

The Lords have agreed to the Amendments made by this House to the Sale of Food (Weights and Measures) Bill [Lords], without any Amendment.

The Lords do not insist on their Amendments to the Electricity (Supply) Bill to which this House hath disagreed.

And they agree to the Amendments made by this House to one of their Amendments, and to the Amendments made by this House to the Bill in lieu of certain other of their Amendments, without any Amendment.

Ordered, That the Minutes of the Proceedings of Standing Committee A on the Moneyslender Bill be printed.

Mr. Neville Chamberlain reported from the Select Committee appointed to join with a Committee of the House of Lords on Consolidation Committee, That in the case of the Poor Law Bill [Lords], Poor Law Bill [Lords], Special Report.)
Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time to-morrow.

The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Betting Overseas (Prohibition) Bill:

Ordered, That the said Order be dischaged.

Ordered, That the Bill be withdrawn.

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 Acts which are agreed upon by both Houses, and to Measures passed under the provisions of the Church of England Assembly (Powers) Act, 1919, and 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, where a Commission under the Great Seal was read, giving, declaring, and notifying the Royal Assent to the several Acts and Measures therein mentioned; and the Lords thereby authorised declared the Royal Assent to the said Acts and Measures, as follow:

1. Industrial Assurance (Juvenile Societies) Act, 1926.
3. Lead Paint (Protection against Poisoning) Act, 1926.
4. Local Government (County Boroughs and Adjustments) Act, 1926.
5. Horticultural Produce (Sales on Commission) Act, 1926.
6. Indian and Colonial Divorce Jurisdiction Act, 1926.
7. Naval Reserve (Officers) Act, 1926.
8. Workmen's Compensation Act, 1926.
10. Supreme Court of Judicature of Northern Ireland Act, 1926.
11. Fertilisers and Feeding Stuffs Act, 1926.
13. Rating (Scotland) Act, 1926.
15. Expiring Laws Continuance Act, 1926.
16. Burgh Registers (Scotland) Act, 1926.
17. Electricity (Supply) Act, 1926.
19. Merchandise Marks Act, 1926.
21. Roman Catholic Relief Act, 1926.
22. Housing (Rural Workers) Act, 1926.
23. Prisons (Scotland) Act, 1926.

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Ordered, That the Bill be withdrawn.

The Lords, according to Order, proceeded to take into consideration the Amendments made by the Lords to the Merchandise Marks (Imported Goods) Bill: And the same were twice read, and agreed to.

Ordered, That the Clerk do carry the Bill to the Lords; and acquaint them, That this House hath agreed to the Amendments made by their Lordships.

The House, according to Order, proceeded to take into consideration the Amendments made by the Lords to the Housing (Rural Workers) Bill: And the same were twice read, and agreed to.

Ordered, That the Clerk do carry the Bill to the Lords; and acquaint them, That this House hath agreed to the Amendments made by their Lordships.

The House, according to Order, proceeded to take into consideration the Amendments made by the Lords to the Judicial Proceedings (Regulation of Reports) 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 Mental Deficiency Bill [Lords], as amended in the Standing Committee;

Ordered, That the Bill be taken into consideration to-morrow.

The Order of the day being read, for the Committee on the Judicial Committee Bill [Lords];

Resolved, That this House will, to-morrow, resolve itself into the said Committee.

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time to-morrow.

The Order of the day being read, for the 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 Forestry Bill [Lords];

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time to-morrow.

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And afterwards His Majesty's Most Gracious Speech was delivered to both Houses of Parliament by the Lord High Chancellor (in pursuance of His Majesty's Commands), as followeth—

My Lords and Members of the House of Commons,

I have had great pleasure in acceding to the wishes of My Ministers in the Commonwealth of Australia that My Son and Daughter-in-Law should visit Australia for the inauguration of the new Federal Capital at Canberra. They will extend their visit to New Zealand at the invitation of My Ministers in that Dominion, and in the course of their journeys will also be able to see several of the Colonies. The occasion of this personally renewing the ties of affection which unite My Family with the people of the different parts of the Empire, will, I know, be as welcome to the Duke and Duchess of York to-day as it was to the Queen and Myself more than twenty-five years ago.

I have rejoiced at the opportunity given by the recent meeting of the Imperial Conference to welcome in London so many of My Ministers from the Dominions and the Representatives of the Empire of India. The report of the proceedings of the Conference, which has recently been presented to you, bears eloquent testimony to the spirit of goodwill and mutual understanding which marked its deliberations, I am confident that its work will prove of lasting value to all parts of My Empire.

The situation in China is being watched by My Government with the closest attention. Our Country is animated by strong sympathy for that vast majority of the Chinese peoples whose aspirations are for settled conditions, for a new era of prosperity and for friendly relations with the Foreign Powers.

Members of the House of Commons,

I thank you for the provision you have made for the public service.

My Lords and Members of the House of Commons,

During the greater part of the present year the Nation has lived in the shadow of the most protracted and ruinous industrial conflict in its history. When last addressing you I expressed the earnest hope that the Report of the Commissioners upon the economic condition of the coal industry would, with the willing co-operation of all concerned, pave the way to a peaceful solution of this great social and economical problem. This hope was not fulfilled. It remains to us now to unite in effecting all bitter memories of the past, and to set our eyes steadily upon the future, inspired by a common impulse towards genuine fellowship and sustained endeavour, upon which alone the prosperity and happiness of My People can be firmly based.

The improvement in housing accommodation continues. A larger number of new houses have been completed than in any previous year. In order to make available to rural workers further and better accommodation at rents adapted to their means Parliament has provided from public moneys grants for the reconstruction of existing houses and buildings in rural areas.

By the passing of the Electricity (Supply) Bill an important and overdue step has been taken towards extending the provision of electrical energy throughout Great Britain.

I have given assent to a measure to provide in suitable cases for marking imported agricultural produce and manufactured goods with an indication of origin. This measure will enable the purchasing community to give a preference to goods and produce of this Country and of other parts of the Empire.

A Bill has also been passed for preventing short weight and measure in the retail sale of foodstuffs. Bills have also been passed to unify and simplify the rating system of Scotland and to extend the right of appeal in criminal cases in Scotland.

A number of Bills relating to the agricultural industry have received My assent, including a measure to extend facilities for small and cottage holdings.

It is My earnest prayer that the Blessing of the Almighty may rest upon all your past and coming labours.

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 Eighth day of February, One thousand nine hundred and twenty-seven, to be then here Holden; and this Parliament is accordingly prorogued to Tuesday the Eighth day of February, One thousand nine hundred and twenty-seven.
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Supplementary Estimates, 1925-26.  

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Revenue Buildings (Supplementary) | 19 | 66,500 | 38 | 38 |

Labour and Health Buildings, Great Britain (Supplementary) (Progress), 19 | | | | |

10 February:  

Class I.  

Labour and Health Buildings, Great Britain (Supplementary) | 21 | 12,000 | 39 | 39 |

Public Buildings, Great Britain (Supplementary) | 21 | 185,845 | 39 | 39 |

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